

## CHAPTER OF PATHOLOGISTS

The Chapter of Pathologists was formally added to the Academy of Medicine's list of Chapters at the 9th Annual General Meeting of the Academy on 22 November 1986. The Chapter's Inaugural General Meeting was held on 5 December 1986 at King's Hotel where its first office bearers were elected: Dr Gilbert Chiang (Chairman), Dr Sng Ewe Hui (Vice Chairman), Dr Mavis Yeo (Honorary Secretary), Dr Chao Tzee Cheng (Committee Member), Dr Lee Swee Kok (committee member), and Dr Lee Yoke Sun (Committee Member, who was elected in absentia).

### THE 2016-2017 EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Chairman	Dr Inny Busmanis
Vice-Chairman	Dr Cuthbert Teo
Secretary	Dr Yeo Chin Pin
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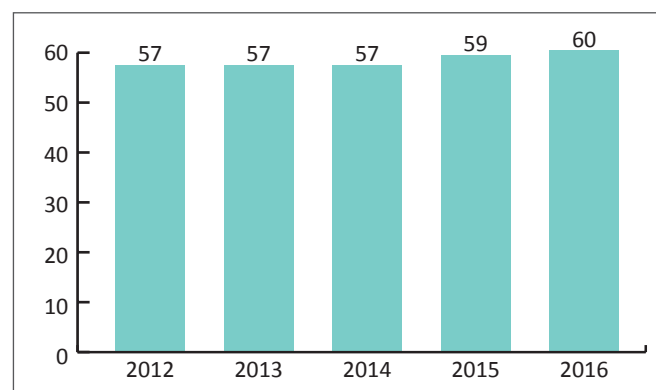
### ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The Chapter held its 30th Annual General Meeting on 23 June 2016 at Academia, Department of Pathology, Singapore General Hospital.

### MEMBERSHIP

As at 31 December 2016, the total membership of the Chapter stood at 60. The following had been admitted into the Chapter as Fellows in 2016:

- Dr Marian Wang
- Dr Adele Wong Pek Choo



## ACTIVITIES

### SOUTH CENTRAL ASSOCIATION OF CLINICAL MICROBIOLOGY AUDIO-CONFERENCE

The Chapter had co-organised a series of CD-recorded audio-conference sessions with the Singapore Society of Pathology and the Department of Pathology, Singapore General Hospital.

#### IQCP- What Does It Mean For You?

Date	11 January
Presenter	Susan E Sharp, PhD, ABMM, FAAM Director, Airport Way Regional Laboratory Director, Regional Microbiology and Molecular Infectious Diseases Laboratories Kaiser Permanente Department of Pathology Portland, OR, USA
Moderator	Dr Jamie Tan Department of Pathology Singapore General Hospital

#### Microarray / Multiplex Testing for GI Pathogens

Date	18 January
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Presenter	Marc Roger Couturier, PhD, D (ABMM) Medical Director - Microbial Immunology, Parasitology and Fecal Testing, and Infectious Disease Rapid Testing, ARUP Laboratories, USA Assistant Professor, Department of Pathology, University of Utah School of Medicine, USA
Moderator	Dr Chan Kian Sing Department of Pathology Singapore General Hospital

#### Evidenced Based Medicine (Cauti Infections, A Tale of Pre Analytical Urine Cultures!)

Date	1 February
Presenter	Robert I Sautter, PhD Carolinas Pathology Group Charlotte, NC, USA
Moderator	Dr Tan Yen Ee Department of Pathology Singapore General Hospital

**CLSI Antimicrobial Susceptibility Testing Update**

Date	21 March
Presenter	Richard Van Enk, PhD, CIC Director of Infection Control Epidemiology and Infection Control Officer Bronson Methodist Hospital Kalamazoo, Michigan, USA
Moderator	Dr James Sim Department of Pathology Singapore General Hospital

**Ebola: Experience at Emory**

Date	11 April
Presenter	Eileen M Burd, PhD, D(ABMM) Director, Clinical Microbiology Emory University Hospital Atlanta, GA, USA
Moderator	Dr Chan Kian Sing Department of Pathology Singapore General Hospital

**IQCP- Where Are We Now?**

Date	23 May
Presenter	Linda C Bruno, MA, MT(ASCP) Director, Microbiology and Molecular Labs ACL Laboratories, Rosemont, IL, USA
Moderator	Dr Tan Yen Ee Department of Pathology Singapore General Hospital

**Realities of implementing GI Multiplex: Lessons from the Field**

Date	13 June
Presenter	Kimberle Chapin, MD DABMM, FCAP Director of Microbiology and ID Molecular Diagnostics Lifespan Academic Medical Centers Professor of Pathology and Medicine Alpert Brown Medical School
Moderator	Dr Jamie Tan Department of Pathology Singapore General Hospital

**Why is it So "Difficile"?**

Date	4 July
Presenter	Steve Brecher, PhD Director of the Microbiology Laboratories Boston VA Healthcare System
Moderator	Dr Deborah Lai Department of Pathology Singapore General Hospital

**An Update on the Identification and Antimicrobial Susceptibility of Medically-Relevant Corynebacterium and Bacillus Species**

Date	15 August
Presenter	Kathy Bernard, MS Head, Special Bacteriology Unit, National Microbiology Laboratory, Public Health Agency of Canada, Winnipeg, MB, Canada Lecturer, Department of Medical Microbiology and Infectious Diseases, University of Manitoba, Canada
Moderator	Dr James Sim Department of Pathology Singapore General Hospital

**Total Laboratory Automation in Clinical Microbiology: The Future Has Arrived!**

Date	5 September
Presenter	Richard B Thomson Jr, PhD D(ABMM) FAAM Director, Microbiology Laboratory NorthShore University Health System, Evanston, IL, USA Clinical Professor of Pathology The University of Chicago, Pritzker School of Medicine, USA
Moderator	Dr Ng Tong Yong Department of Pathology Singapore General Hospital

**The Future of Molecular Point-of-Care Testing for Viruses**

Date	24 October
Presenter	Richard Hodinka, PhD Clinical Professor, Microbiology Biomedical Sciences Chair University of South Carolina, School of Medicine Greenville, USA
Moderator	Dr Ng Tong Yong Department of Pathology Singapore General Hospital

**Contaminants That Become Pathogens in Immunocompromised Hosts**

Date	19 December
Presenter	Morgan H McCoy, PhD, MD Associate Medical Director of Clinical Laboratories Cincinnati Children's Hospital Medical Center, Cincinnati, OH, USA
Moderator	Dr Karrie Ko Department of Pathology Singapore General Hospital

## PATHOLOGY ANNUAL SCIENTIFIC MEETING 2016

Together with the Singapore Society of Pathology, the Chapter had co-organised the Pathology Annual Scientific Meeting on 15 October at the Academia, Singapore General Hospital. Dr John Christopher Coakley, Visiting Lecturer of

Academy of Medicine, Singapore (AMS), had delivered the lecture on 'Laboratory Investigations of Metabolic Disorders'. The event also saw the delivery of a few interesting lectures by local and overseas speakers.



Dr S R E Sayampanathan, Master of the Academy of Medicine, Singapore (left) presenting the certificate of AMS Visiting Lecturer to Dr John Coakley.



Dr Tony Badrick delivering his lecture on 'The Importance of Quality Assurance'.



Dr Michael Harrison delivering his lecture on 'What's New in Australasian Pathology'.

The topics covered during the meeting are as follows:

### PLENARY SESSION

Topics/Speakers	<p><b>'Laboratory Investigations of Metabolic Disorders'</b> Dr John Coakley RCPA Visiting Lecturer 2016 and Plenary session, Academy of Medicine, Chapter of Pathologists Head of Department of Clinical Biochemistry, The Children's Hospital, Westmead, Sydney (Visiting Lecturer)</p>
	<p><b>'The Importance of Quality Assurance'</b> Dr Tony Badrick Chief Executive Officer, RCPA QAP</p>
	<p><b>'What's New in Australasian Pathology'</b> Dr Michael Harrison President, RCPA</p>

### SYMPOSIUM ON CHEMICAL PATHOLOGY/HAEMATOLOGY

Topics/Speakers	<p><b>'Investigation of Jaundice in Infancy and Childhood'</b> Dr John Coakley RCPA Visiting Lecturer 2016 and Plenary session, Academy of Medicine, Chapter of Pathologists Head of Department of Clinical Biochemistry, The Children's Hospital, Westmead, Sydney (Visiting Lecturer)</p>
	<p><b>'Hospital Implementation of Clinical Mass Spectrometry: Immunosuppressants'</b> Dr Ng Wai Yoong Singapore General Hospital</p>
	<p><b>'2015 Update on Myeloma Diagnosis'</b> Dr Sathish Kumar Gopalakrishnan Singapore General Hospital</p>
	<p><b>'Challenges of FISH in Diagnostic Haematology'</b> A/Prof Tien Sim Leng Singapore General Hospital</p>

### SYMPOSIUM ON ANATOMICAL PATHOLOGY

Topics/Speakers	<b>'Hair Pathology: The Need for Clinicopathological Correlation'</b> Dr Joyce Lee National Skin Centre
	<b>'Is This a Keratoacanthoma?'</b> Dr Huang Jingxiang National University Hospital
	<b>'Molecular Updates in Melanoma Pathology'</b> Dr Michelle Chan Singapore General Hospital
	<b>'What's the Story with Sentinel Lymph Nodes in Melanoma?'</b> Dr Inny Busmanis Singapore General Hospital

### SYMPOSIUM ON MICROBIOLOGY

Topics/Speakers	<b>'Chronic Q Fever in Pregnancy: Peripartum Infection Control Management'</b> Dr Murugesh Jagadeesan Khoo Teck Puat Hospital
	<b>'Streptococci Stripped Down'</b> Dr Timothy Barkham Tan Tock Seng Hospital
	<b>'Screening for MRSA Carriage Using Molecular Methods'</b> Dr Chan Kian Sing Singapore General Hospital

### SPONSORSHIP OF EVENT

In 2016, the Chapter had sponsored morning refreshments for 'SGH Kidney Tumour and Breast Pathology' (held on 17 November).

### PROFESSIONAL OPINION

The Chapter had received professional opinion requests from the Academy of Medicine, Singapore for the following topics/issues:

- Operating an Unlicensed Medical Clinic

- Chromosomal DNA Analysis
- 1st Draft Writeup for Surgical Aesthetic Procedures - Taskforce on Aesthetic Medicine
- 2nd Edition of Screening Test Review Committee Report
- Clinical Use of Next-Generation Sequencing (NGS) Based Assays
- NECC Core Competencies in Clinical Ethics for Healthcare Professionals
- Screening Tests Review