



Chapter of Cardiothoracic Surgeons College of Surgeons, Singapore Annual Report 2013

7TH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The 7TH Annual General Meeting of the Chapter of Cardiothoracic Surgeons was held on Thursday, 25 April 2013 at 6.00pm at Lecture Theatre (Level 3), National Heart Centre, Mistri Wing, 17 Third Hospital Avenue, Singapore 168752.

CHAPTER SPECIALTY BOARD

The following Chapter Specialty Board Members have completed their term of office from 2011-2013 by the date of the 7th Annual General Meeting of the Chapter:

Chairman:	Dr Lim Chong Hee
Vice-Chairman:	Dr James Wong
Honorary Secretary:	Dr Lim See Lim
Board Members:	Dr Chua Yeow Leng
	Dr Christie Tan Tiong Tee
	Dr Sim Kwang Wei, Eugene

At the time of writing the Annual Report, the 2012-2013 Chapter Board had not conducted any board meetings in year 2013.

MEMBERSHIP

The total membership as of 31 December 2013 under the Chapter of Cardiothoracic Surgeons now stands at 34 Fellows comprising of 33 Local Fellows and 1 Overseas Fellow.

CONTINUING MEDICAL EDUCATION

Cardiothoracic Surgery Update Session

The Chapter of Cardiothoracic Surgeons had planned and organised the following update session on the latest development of the specialty for the benefit of trainees, nurses and Members of the Chapter of Cardiothoracic Surgeons:

CTS Retreat

Date	Session / Moderators	Topics / Speakers
9 March 2013	Session I Moderators: Dr Lim See Lim Dr Maung	• What is advanced Heart Failure? How to investigate? by Dr Raymond Wong • What conditions that will and will not benefit from AICD and CRT? by Dr Seow Swee Chong • What is the current status of Stem Cell Therapy for heart failure in 2013? by Dr Philip Wong • What is the take home message for the Stich Trial? by Dr Chua Yeow Leng • What are the pros and cons of heart replacement? by Dr David Sim Panel Discussion
	Session II Moderators: Dr Ooi Oon Cheong Dr David Sim	• Heart Failure Surgery - Current evidence for use of non device options by Dr Victor Chao • Case Scenario: to set the scene an INTERMACS I case will be presented by NHCS CTS Registrar & Dr Soon Jia Lin • “What will you do?” • “What will I do?” by Dr Kofidis Theodoros • Bridge to Decision – ECMO & ECMO transport by Dr Tan Teing Ee • The VAD Evolution in Brief by Dr Lim Chong Hee • Short Term Devices by Dr Soon Jia Lin • Long Term Devices by Dr C Sivathanan • Case Scenario - Treatment/ Outcome by NHCS CTS Registrar & Dr Soon Jia Lin Panel Discussion
	Moderator: Dr Saw Huat Seong	
	Session III Moderators: Dr C Sivathanan Dr Victor Chao Dr Tan Teing Ee Dr Lim Chong Hee	• Station 1 ECMO • Station 2 Centrimag • Station 3 HeartMate • Station 4 HeartWare

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3 August 2013	Case Discussion Session: Moderators: Dr. Lim Yeong Phang Dr. MC Tong, Dr. Eugene Sim	<i>10 min case presentation followed by 5 min discussion.</i> - Japanese Case #1 by Dr Kohei Abe - NUHS Case #1 by Dr. Kristine Teoh – Hybrid Aortic Arch Surgery - Japanese Case #2 by Dr Toshiaki Ito - NHC Case #1 by Dr. Lim Chong Hee- IVC tumour - Japanese Case #3 by Dr Masamichi Matsumori - NUHS Case #2 by Dr. Theo Kofidis – Single Incision Valve Surgery - Japanese Case #4 by Dr Masahiro Tanji - NHC case #3 by Dr C. Sivathasan – An Interesting Heart Failure Care - NHC case #4 by Dr Ong Boon Hean - Tricuspid Valve Endocarditis - Andy Campbell, Edwards Vice President Heart Valve therapy, Research and Development. Design Rationale for Heart Valves and What's New in Development.
	Moderators: Dr. Winn Maung Maung Aye Dr. James Wong	Experiences with TAVI Moderators: Dr. Jian Ye Dr Kenny Sim - Siriraj Experience by Dr Pranya - NHC Experience by Dr Victor Chao - Ramathibudi Experience by Dr Suchart - NUHS Experience by Dr Jimmy Hon Panel Discussion Closing Remark by Dr Saw Huat Seong

8th Chapter Dinner Lecture

Prof Jian Yee, Clinical Professor of Surgery, Director UBC Cardiac Surgery Research, Division of Cardiac Surgery, St. Paul's Hospital, University of British Columbia was invited to deliver an insightful lecture on **Current Status of TAVI** at the 8th Dinner Lecture organised by the Chapter of Cardiothoracic Surgeons on Friday, 2 August 2013 at the Pontini Restaurant, Grand Cophtorne Waterfront Hotel. Attendees were members from the Chapter of Cardiothoracic Surgeons, trainees, nurses and perfusionists from both National Heart Centre and National University Hospital. The Organising Chairman & cited the 8th Chapter Lectureship was Dr James Wong.

STAFF REGISTRAR SCHEME (SRS)

With reference to the Ministry of Health's (MOH's) paper in early 2007 introducing the initiative of conducting a structured diploma programme with on-the-job training as previously proposed by the Academy of Medicine, Singapore (AMS) for foreign doctors whose specialist degrees are not recognised by the Singapore Accreditation Board and whose medical schools are not recognised by the Singapore Medical Council, the Chapter had implemented its SRS Programme in April 2008.

This is a three-year programme and the second intake has one (1) trainee currently and still ongoing until August 2015. The trainee in the SRS Programme will ultimately be awarded a Diploma in Cardiothoracic Surgery conferred jointly by the Academy of Medicine, Singapore (AMS) and the College of Surgeons, Singapore (CSS).

ACTIVITIES IN THE PIPELINE

Cardiothoracic Surgery Update Sessions

The Chapter will continue to organise update sessions to disseminate the latest updates on various subspecialties by inviting local surgeons of vast experience as well as prominent regional surgeons to deliver academic benefits to the local cardiothoracic surgery community. Details will be announced in due course.

9th Dinner Lecture of the Chapter of Cardiothoracic Surgeons

The Chapter will plan the organising of this annual core event of the Chapter and event information will be disseminated when finalised.

APPRECIATION

The Chapter wishes to record its appreciation to all our Fellows for their support rendered in the past year and look forward to their ongoing support for future projects.

December 2013
Dr Lim Yeong Phang
Honorary Secretary
On behalf of 2013-2015 Board
Chapter of Cardiothoracic Surgeons