

ANNUAL REPORT 2011



Academy of Medicine, Singapore

(INCORPORATED IN THE REPUBLIC OF SINGAPORE)

Committed to specialist education and training since 1957

Vision

To be a leading institution for postgraduate medical education in the region

Mission

Advancing the art and science of medicine through postgraduate specialist training; maintenance of high standards of competency and ethical integrity through continuous professional development; generation and dissemination of information and knowledge to the public on matters related to health

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MASTER'S MESSAGE

Looking back at what has been a challenging year, I am pleased to highlight the progresses and achievements of 2011 which were contribution and efforts by the members of Academy Council and many of our dedicated fellow Academicians.

Our 45th Singapore-Malaysia Congress of Medicine (SMCM) was graced by Mr Gan Kim Yong, Minister for Health, who presided as Guest of Honour, and Dr York Chow, Secretary for Food and Health of Hong Kong, who delivered the 20th Gordon Arthur Ransome Oration on "Bridges and Gaps in Healthcare". The theme "Integration, Innovation and Holistic Care" spawned dynamic exchange of knowledge, experience and practical tips on how we cope with the daily challenges and progressive transformations in clinical practice and medical education. The next SMCM, scheduled for 23-24 August 2013, is also the 2nd Tripartite Congress of the Singapore, Malaysia and Hong Kong academies. Led by Dr Wong Kok Seng, the Organising Committee has embarked on an early start to develop a meaningful and exciting programme for postgraduate trainees and all Academicians.



In February, the Academy released the first evidence-based best practice guidelines on Screening Tests in Singapore. The Screening Tests Review Committee of the Academy, chaired by Dr Lee Hin Peng, and the Ministry of Health announced support population screening for breast cancer and colorectal cancer. After approval by the Parliament for usage of Medisave, the College of Radiologists, College of Surgeons and College of Physicians assisted with the formulation of guidelines for patients before the Medisave scheme was operationalized by the hospitals.

The Academy is poised to continue our role in Joint Committee for Specialists Training (JCST), which now oversees the Residency Advisory Committee as it replaces the Specialist Training Committee (STC). As residency programme is set to produce our future specialists, the Academy, apart from administering the yearly formative In-Training Examinations (ITEs), will actively collaborate with the Ministry of Health and Specialists Accreditation Board in the training of medical specialists for Singapore. FAMS remains the only local registrable postgraduate medical qualification. Therefore, I urge all Academicians to be keenly involved as teachers, mentors and examiners.

The year also saw the Academy spearheaded the fundraising initiative to perpetuate the Gordon Arthur Ransome (GAR) Oration. Sir Gordon Arthur Ransome is our founding Master of the Academy and has the distinguished legacy of being mentor to many of our medical leaders in Singapore. The Fundraising Committee, chaired by Dr V Anantharaman, is most privileged to have Drs Chew Beng Keng, Chew Chin Hin, Geh Min, and Lee Suan Yew stepping up to support the drive. We hope to have enough funds to perpetuate the GAR lectureship. Past Orators include luminaries Dr Goh Keng Swee, Mr S Rajaratnam, Mr Tan Boon Teik, Professor Leslie A Turnberg, YAB Dato Seri Dr Mahathir bin Mohamad, Mrs Anson Chan and Dr Chew Chin Hin. I appeal to all Fellows of the Academy and the medical fraternity to donate generously to this worthy cause.

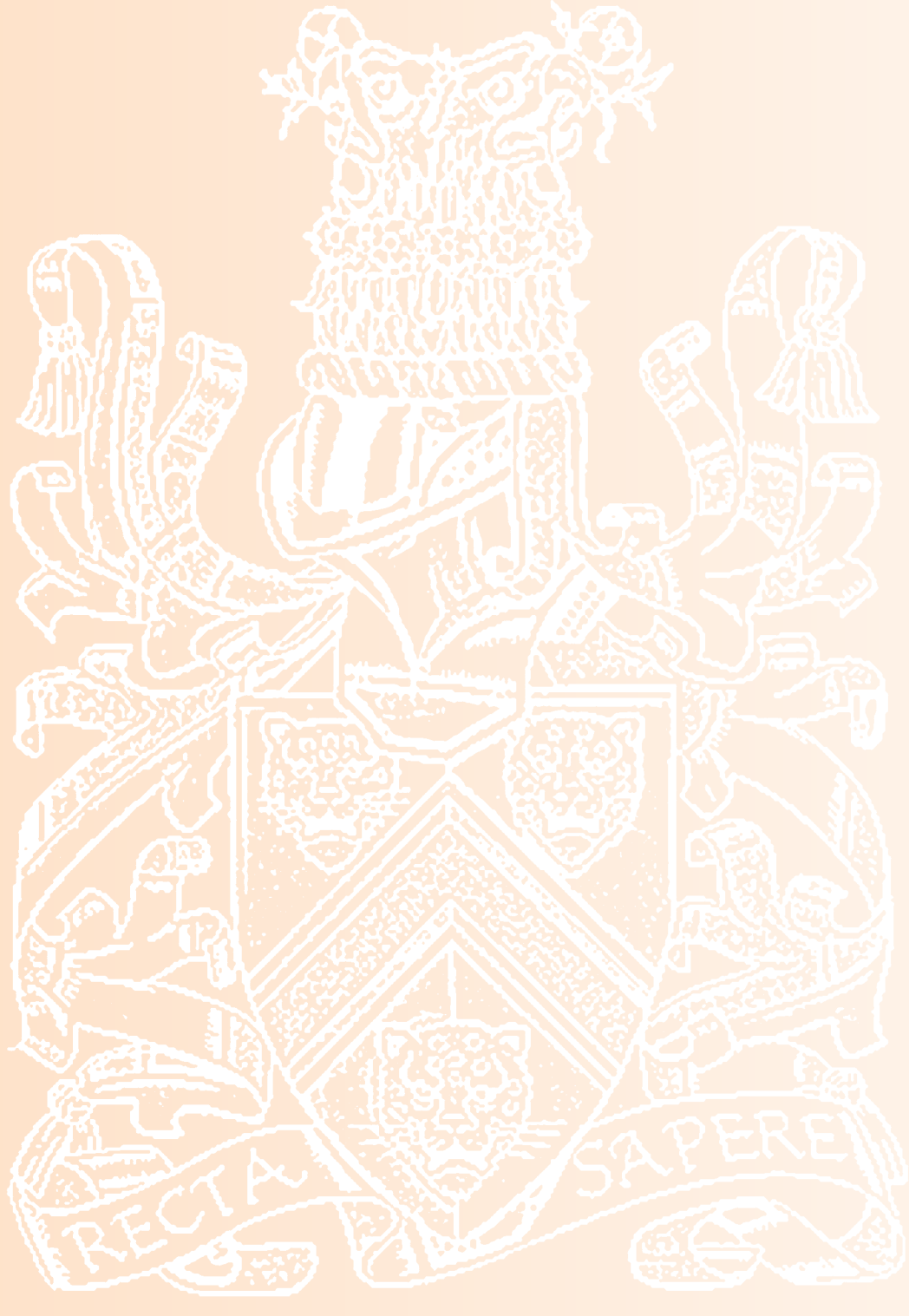
The Academy concluded the year with an operating deficit, due primarily to rising business cost and increasing manpower to support our activities. The key to ensure financial viability and sustainability is to strengthen the Academy's fellowship. Towards this end, the Academy must stay relevant to the specialists' fraternity more than ever. We hope to reach new heights in providing continuing medical education and professional development and encouraging bold and creative ways of serving our Fellows and community. For the community, the Academy will address the role of being advocates for our patients in the increasingly complex environment.

Many challenges and opportunities are ahead of us as the Academy advances into its 55th year in 2012. The Academy will continue to strive towards its vision and excel in its mission. I hope all Academicians will join us in our endeavour.

Professor Tan Kok Chai

MBBS, FRCS (Eng), FAMS

Master, Academy of Medicine, Singapore



ACADEMY OF MEDICINE, SINGAPORE

STANDING COMMITTEES OF THE ACADEMY OF MEDICINE, SINGAPORE

The Council is supported by the following standing committees established under the Academy's By-Laws:

Standing Committees

- Audit
- Constitutional Review
- Continuing Professional Development
- Finance and Establishment Review
- Membership
- Postgraduate Education
- Professional Affairs
- Professional Conference Organisation
- Publication
- Search
- Specialist Training and Examination

Chairman

Dr Chew Chin Hin
Dr Fock Kwong Ming
Dr Lim Shih Hui
Dr Anthony Heng
Dr Tay Jam Chin
Dr Fock Kwong Ming
Dr Ho Lai Yun
Dr Chan Yew Weng
Dr Tan Eng King
Dr Tan Kok Chai
Dr Lee Kok Onn

COUNCIL (2011-2012)

Patron: Dr Tony Tan, President of the Republic of Singapore

Elected Council Members

Dr Tan Kok Chai
Master

Dr Lee Kok Onn
Assistant Master

Dr Anthony Heng
Bursar

Dr Tay Jam Chin
Censor-in-Chief

Dr Lai Fon-Min
Censor

Dr Tan Bien Soo
Censor

Dr Wong Chiang Yin
Censor

Dr Lim Shih Hui
Master-Elect

Dr Wong Kok Seng
Scribe

Dr Chan Yew Weng
Assistant Bursar

Dr Edward Pang
Censor

Dr Ong Hock Soo
Censor

Dr Teo Eng Kiong
Censor

Appointed Council Members

Dr Venkataraman Anantharaman
Chair, Chapter of Emergency Physicians

Dr Yap Hwa Ling
Chair, Chapter of Psychiatrists

Dr Chong Jin Long
President, College of Anaesthesiologists

Dr Bernard Chern
President, College of Obstetricians and Gynaecologists

Dr Steven Ng
President, College of Paediatrics and Child Health

Dr Anthony Goh
President, College of Radiologists

Dr Cuthbert Teo Eng Swee
Chair, Chapter of Pathologists

Dr Eugene Shum
Chair, Chapter of Public Health & Occupational Physicians

Dr Chan Siew Luen
President, College of Dental Surgeons

Dr Ong Sze Guan
President, College of Ophthalmologists

Dr Alan Ng
President, College of Physicians

Dr Sarvaselan R E Sayampanathan
President, College of Surgeons

Ex-Officio

Dr Tan Eng King
Editor, Annals



Standing (from left):
Dr Anthony Goh, Dr Tan Eng King, Dr Tan Bien Soo, Dr Alan Ng, Dr Sarvaselan Sayampanathan, Dr Eugene Shum, Dr Venkataraman Anantharaman, Dr Lai Fon-Min, Dr Wong Chiang Yin, Dr Steven Ng, Dr Teo Eng Kiong, Dr Ong Hock Soo

Seated (from left):
Dr Edward Pang, Dr Wong Kok Seng, Dr Lim Shih Hui, Dr Tan Kok Chai, Dr Anthony Heng, Dr Chan Yew Weng, Dr Tay Jam Chin

Not in Photo:
Dr Chan Siew Luen, Dr Bernard Chern, Dr Chong Jin Long, Dr Lee Kok Onn, Dr Ong Sze Guan, Dr Cuthbert Teo, Dr Yap Hwa Ling

YEAR IN REVIEW

- JANUARY** **Obstetrics & Gynaecologists (CREOG) In-Training Examination**
Thirty-four (34) candidates sat for the Obstetrics & Gynaecologists In-Training Examination held on 22 January 2011 at National University Hospital.
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- FEBRUARY** **Chinese New Year Celebration**
Council members, Fellows and staff gathered at the Academy's office on 7 February 2011 for the annual Chinese New Year Celebration.
- Diagnostic Radiology (DXIT) In-Training Examination**
A total of 75 candidates sat for the Diagnostic Radiology In-Training Examination held on 12 February 2011 at Tan Tock Seng Hospital.
- New Framework for Health Screening Tests**
The Academy released the first evidence-based best practice guidelines on Screening Tests in Singapore on 10 February 2011.
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- MARCH** **General Surgery (ABSITE) In-Training Examination**
A total of 102 candidates sat for the General Surgery In-Training Examination on 5 March 2011. The examination was held at Changi General Hospital, Khoo Teck Puat Hospital, National University Hospital, Singapore General Hospital and Tan Tock Seng Hospital.
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- JUNE** **33rd Annual General Meeting**
The 33rd Annual General Meeting of the Academy was held on 18 June 2011 at the NKF Centre.
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- JULY** **Paediatric Medicine (ABP-ITE) In-Training Examination**
From 18 to 21 July 2011, a total of 88 candidates sat for the Paediatric Medicine In-Training Examination at KK Women's & Children's Hospital and National University Hospital.
- 45th Singapore-Malaysia Congress of Medicine**
The 45th Singapore-Malaysia Congress of Medicine was held on 21-23 July 2011 at Suntec Singapore with the theme 'Integration, Innovation and Holistic Care'.
- Induction Comitia 2011**
The Academy witnessed the formal admission of 20 new Fellows and the conferment of fellowship to 16 Presidents of overseas Colleges at the Induction Comitia held on 21 July 2011 at the Marina Mandarin Singapore.
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- SEPTEMBER** **Pathology (RISE) In-Training Examination**
The Pathology In-Training Examination was held on 10 September 2011 at Singapore General Hospital with a total of seven candidates.
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- OCTOBER** **Internal Medicine (IM-ITE) In-Training Examination**
A total of 252 candidates sat for the Internal Medicine In-Training Examination held on 8 and 15 October 2011 at Republic Polytechnic, Singapore.
- Psychiatry (PRITE) In-Training Examination**
The Psychiatry In-Training Examination saw a total number of eight candidates sitting for the examination on 13 October 2011 at Buangkok Green Medical Park (IMH).
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- NOVEMBER** **Patron, Academy of Medicine, Singapore**
President Dr Tony Tan, who is conferred Honorary Fellowship in 2006, accepted the Academy's invitation on 1 November to serve as Patron, Academy of Medicine, Singapore.
- Orthopaedic Surgery (OITE) In-Training Examination**
Seventy-six (76) candidates sat for the Orthopaedic Surgery In-Training Examination held on 12 November 2011 at National University Hospital, Singapore General Hospital and Tan Tock Seng Hospital.

SPONSORSHIPS, GRANTS AND AWARDS

Awards

The Academy continued to recognise outstanding students and academicians through the awards of medals and prizes. The award recipients for Academic Year 2010/2011 were:

Seah Cheng Siang Medal

Anne Ng Lay Choo

Yong Loo Lin School of Medicine

Top scorer in Clinical section of examination

Awarded Gold Medal

Academy of Medicine Medal

Seow Hong Kai

Faculty of Dentistry

Best student in Pathology successfully

completing second B.D.S. examination

Awarded \$100 Book Prize

G A Ransome Gold Medal

Raghav Sundar

Yong Loo Lin School of Medicine

Best student in examination

Awarded Gold Medal

Travel assistance

The Academy extended travel grant assistance to two FAMS:

- Dr Lim Ghee Hian, Senior Consultant from Accident and Emergency, Changi General Hospital for his participation at the 13th Conference of the Society of Emergency Medicine, India, from 18-20 November 2011.
- Dr Tan Bien Keem, Senior Consultant from Department of Plastic, Reconstructive and Aesthetic Surgery, Singapore General Hospital, for his participation at the Annual Meeting of American Society for Reconstructive Microsurgery (ASRM), from 13-17 January 2012.

Letters of Support

During the year, the Academy provided letters of support for the bidding of the following events:

- World Congress of the International Society of Orthopaedic Surgery and Traumatology (SICOT) 2013
- Mini World Health Summit (MWHS) 2013
- Asia-Pacific Hepato Pancreato Biliary Association (A-PPBA) Congress 2015
- 11th Asia Pacific Hospice Conference 2015
- 11th Asia Pacific Congress of Hypertension 2015
- International Society for Magnetic Resonance in Medicine (ISMRM) Annual Meeting 2016

Visiting Academicians

The following were appointed as Visiting Academicians in 2011:

- **Eric Andrew Taylor**
Emeritus Professor of Child and Adolescent Psychiatry, King's College of London
'Life Trajectories of Common Childhood Disorder – ADHD, Bipolar and Early Psychosis'
7 March 2011, York Hotel
- **Christian Stohler**
Dean, University of Maryland School of Dentistry Baltimore College of Dental Surgery
'Orofacial Pain Research'
29 October 2011, Grand Copthorne Waterfront Hotel
- **Tan Seang Lin**
James Edmund Dodds Professor and Chairman of the Department of Obstetrics and Gynaecology at McGill University
'Treatment of Infertility and Fertility Preservation for Cancer and Non-Cancer Patients'
7 May 2011, Suntec Singapore International Convention and Exhibition Centre
- **Sol Silverman**
Oral Medicine Specialist, Professor of Oral Medicine University of California, San Francisco School of Dentistry
'Oral Complications of Cancer Treatments (Personalised Oral-Cancer Care)'
29 October 2011, Grand Copthorne Waterfront Hotel

Visiting Lecturers

The following were appointed as Visiting Lecturers in 2011:

- **David Felix**
Consultant, Department of Oral Medicine, Glasgow Dental Hospital and School
Dean, Faculty of Dental Surgery, The Royal College of Surgeons of Edinburgh
'Advances in Oral Medicine'
30 October 2011, Grand Copthorne Waterfront Hotel
- **Elaine Jaffe**
Chief of the Haematopathology Section, National Cancer Institute and Clinical Professor of Pathology at George Washington University
'Pathology of NK and T-Cell Lymphoma and Anaplastic Large Cell Lymphoma'
31 October 2011, Singapore General Hospital
- **Eric Whaites**
Senior Lecturer/Honorary Consultant
Head of Department, Dental and Maxillofacial Radiological Imaging, Guy's Hospital Dental School, London
'Recent Advances in Oral & Maxillofacial Radiology'
30 October 2011, Grand Copthorne Waterfront Hotel

EDUCATION AND TRAINING

AMS continues to contribute to post-graduate medical education by offering various training programmes during the year.

Staff Registrar Scheme

The Academy and its Colleges developed 23 SRS programmes since 2007. The programmes, approved by the Singapore Medical Council (SMC), were opened to foreign doctors whose specialist degrees and medical qualifications were not recognised by the Specialists Accreditation Board (SAB) and the SMC respectively. It also served as an avenue for the public/restructured healthcare institutions to retain temporarily registered (service) doctors. The SRS programmes were also opened to local doctors who did not wish to practice as general practitioners or specialists and preferred to work in the public/restructured healthcare institutions.

In 2011, the programme had 72 doctors training under the scheme. There were a total of 117 doctors enrolled since 2007.

S/N	Diplomas approved by SMC	Duration	No. of candidates by Intake Year		Total No. of Trainees since 2007	Total No. of Graduates since 2007
			2010	2011		
1	Diploma in Emergency Medicine	2 years	4	8	32	20
2	Diploma in Nuclear Medicine	2 years	-	-	1	1
3	Diploma in Paediatrics & Child Health	2 years	-	1	9	7
4	Diploma in Cardiothoracic Surgery	3 years	-	-	1	1
5	Diploma in Neurosurgery	3 years	-	1	5	1
6	Diploma in Cardiology	2 years	-	2	3	1
7	Diploma in Geriatric Medicine in Hospital and ILTC	2 years	4	4	27	13
8	Diploma in Infectious Diseases	2 years	-	-	4	4
9	Diploma in Orthopaedic Surgery	3 years	-	-	3	2
10	Diploma in Palliative Medicine	2 years	1	1	4	2
11	Diploma in Neurology	2 years	-	-	4	2
12	Diploma in Internal Medicine (with focus on Hospital Medicine)	2 years	3	3	10	2
13	Diploma in Rehabilitation Medicine	2 years	2	-	2	-
14	Diploma in Neonatology	2 years	3	3	6	-
15	Advanced Diploma in Pathology	2 years	1	-	1	-
16	Diploma in Paediatric Cancer Care	2 years	-	2	2	-
17	Diploma in Urology	2 years	-	1	1	-
18	Diploma in Radiation Oncology	2 years	-	1	1	-
19	Diploma in Hand Surgery	3 years	-	1	1	-
20	Diploma in Clinical Haematology (Adult)	2 years	-	-	-	-
21	Diploma in Obstetrics and Gynaecology	4 years	-	-	-	-
22	Diploma in Medical Oncology	3 years	-	-	-	-
23	Diploma in Respiratory Medicine	2 years	-	-	-	-
	Total		18	28	117	56

In-Training Examination (ITE)

In 2011, eight (8) specialty In-Training Examinations were organised by the Academy.

Specialty (Examination)	Examination Board	Dates	Number of Candidates
Obstetrics & Gynaecologists (CREOG)	American Congress of Obstetricians & Gynaecologists	22 January 2011	34
Diagnostic Radiology (DXIT)	American College of Radiology	12 February 2011	75
General Surgery (ABSITE)	American Board of Surgery	5 March 2011	102
Paediatric Medicine (ABP-ITE)	American Board of Pediatrics	18-21 July 2011	88
Pathology (RISE)	American Society for Clinical Pathology	10 September 2011	7
Internal Medicine (IM-ITE)	American College of Physicians	8 & 15 October 2011	252
Psychiatry (PRITE)	American College of Psychiatrists	13 October 2011	8
Orthopaedic Surgery (OITE)	American Academy of Orthopaedic Surgeons	12 November 2011	76

Recommendation of Core Specialty for CME Activities

The Academy reviewed and made recommendations to the Singapore Medical Council for Core and Non-Core CME points for specialists CME activities.

Singapore Medical Council			Self claims submitted by Fellows		
Categories	No. of applications		Categories	No. of applications	
	2010	2011		2010	2011
1A	245	235	1C	697	697
1B	1660	1708	2	331	302
			3A	436	428
			3B	956	492
Total	1905	1943	Total	2420	1919

AMS Distance-Learning Programme (DLP)

The AMS Distance Learning Programme (DLP) recognized and accredited by the Singapore Medical Council, is exclusive to Fellows of the Academy. It provides an alternative approach to assist Fellows in meeting the Continuing Medical Education (CME) and Continuing Professional Education (CPE) requirements in their own time and pace. A total of three modules were uploaded in 2011 bringing the total number of modules uploaded since the implementation of the DLP in 2005 to 86 modules.

Modules Uploaded

College of Paediatrics and Child Health, Singapore

- Intravenous Maintenance Fluid Therapy in Children: What is Appropriate?

College of Physicians, Singapore

- Guidelines on Cutaneous Vasculitis

Annals

- Perforated Colorectal Cancer: An Important Differential Diagnosis in All Presumed Diverticular Abscesses

Number of Attempts and Logins

There were 118 logins and 44 attempts in year 2011, with an average pass rate of 95.45%.

Total number of logins (2006 – 2011)	
Year	Number of Logins
2011	118
2010	332
2009	863
2008	445
2007	216
2006	352

Total number of modules submitted and attempted by Fellows (2006-2011)		
Module Contributor	Number of modules submitted	Number of Attempts
College of Anaesthesiologists	1	9
College of Paediatrics and Child Health	15	190
College of Surgeons	3	17
College of Radiologists	7	21
College of Physicians	26	133
College of Obstetricians and Gynaecologists	3	6
College of Dental Surgeons	6	3
Chapter of Pathologists	9	6
Chapter of Public Health & Occupational Physicians	7	35
Chapter of Psychiatrists	0	0
Chapter of Emergency Physicians	0	0
Annals	9	25
Total	86	445

Joint Committee on Specialist Training

The Academy participates actively with the Division of Graduate Medical Studies, National University of Singapore in training programmes for specialist trainees in all specialties. The Joint Committee on Specialist Training (JCST) is co-chaired by the Director of the Division of Graduate Medical Studies and Master of the Academy. The JCST Secretariat is located within the premises of the Academy.

The JCST Secretariat officially started operations in April 2005 at the Division of Graduate Medical Studies, National University of Singapore (NUS). The JCST Secretariat's main role is to oversee and support all the training programmes for specialist trainees in all specialties. It works closely with the Ministry of Health, MOH Holdings and healthcare clusters on manpower and postgraduate training issues.

The JCST Secretariat organises 'Meet-the-Trainees' sessions, exit exams, Specialist Training Committee (STC) meetings, Residency Advisory Committee (RAC) meetings, traineeship intake exercises, accreditation site visits, information sessions for selected specialties, amongst other activities. It currently supports the training needs of about 1360 current trainees (Basic Trainees, Advanced Specialist Trainees, Seamless and Fast Track Trainees).

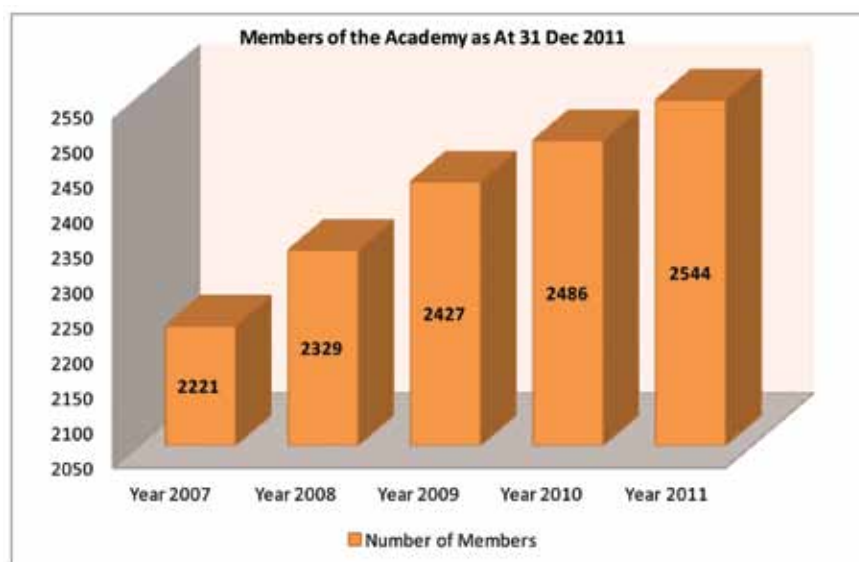
JCST Secretariat has been and will continue, to be actively involved in the planning and execution of the RACs' activities for the RAC and the residents. It will also assist MOHH in organising the annual mini-multi-interviews (MMI).

MEMBERSHIP

Membership Report

In 2011, the Standing Committee on Membership had approved a total of 83 new fellows from various specialties. Among which, 20 of them were inducted on 21 July 2011 as Fellows of the Academy. As at 31 December 2011, the total numbers of Fellows under the seven categories of membership were as follows:

	Fellow (Local)	Fellow (Overseas)	Fellow (Merit)	Ordinary Member	Associate Member	Honorary Member	Distinguished Overseas Member
Active	1998	127	0	16	1	0	0
Active (Exempted)	394	25	0	0	0	20	38
Total	2392	152	0	16	1	20	38



Breakdown of Members by Colleges/Chapters

Colleges/Chapters	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011
College of Anaesthesiologists	136	138	134	133	133
College of Dental Surgeons	189	205	209	213	217
College of Obstetricians and Gynaecologists	203	207	217	224	224
College of Ophthalmologists	-	-	110	115	120
College of Paediatrics and Child Health	158	167	177	178	179
College of Physicians	542	581	641	669	691
College of Radiologists	129	131	147	153	159
College of Surgeons	511	543	493	497	512
Chapter of Emergency Physicians	38	41	41	45	48
Chapter of Pathologists	58	60	62	61	62
Chapter of Psychiatrists	87	87	88	90	91
Chapter of Public Health & Occupational Physicians	102	108	108	108	108
Unspecified*	68	61	0	0	0
Total	2221	2329	2427	2486[^]	2544[^]

* Fellows not assigned to Colleges/Chapters

[^] Excludes Ordinary, Associate, Honorary and Distinguished Overseas Members

EVENTS

45th Singapore-Malaysia Congress of Medicine

The 45th Singapore-Malaysia Congress of Medicine was held on 21-23 July 2011 at Suntec Singapore with the theme 'Integration, Innovation and Holistic Care'.

Sessions on 'Deans Medical Pearls' and 'Deans Surgical Pearls' were newly introduced to reach out to trainees, postgraduates and general audience. Deans from the schools of Medicine were invited to share their valuable lessons. These sessions received good participation from the audience.

Another new highlight was the 'Forum on Accreditation Council for Graduate Medical Education (ACGME)'. The forum, which was well-attended, debated on the US training and examination system and the way forward for Singapore in specialist training and examination.



Panelists of the Forum on ACGME.

The following names lectures were also presented during the Congress:

- **Gordon Arthur Ransome Oration 2011**
'Bridges and Gaps in Healthcare'
York Chow
Secretary for Food and Health of Hong Kong SAR
- **Runme Shaw Memorial Lecture 2011**
'Liver Transplant: Yesterday's Dream, Today's Reality, Tomorrow's Platform Towards Excellent Patient Care'
Chao-Long Chan
Professor of Surgery, Chang Gung Memorial Hospital, Kaoshiung, Taiwan
Superintendent of Chang Gung Memorial Hospital Kaoshiung
Academician, Chinese Academy of Engineering
- **Seah Cheng Siang Memorial Lecture 2011**
'Improving Survival Outcomes for Gastric Cancer'
Yeoh Khay-Guan
Associate Professor, Yong Loo Lin School of Medicine, National University of Singapore
Senior Consultant, Department of Gastroenterology, National University Hospital
- **Galloway Memorial Lecture 2011**
'What Ails the Populace: The Singapore Mental Health Study'
Chong Siow Ann
Associate Professor & Senior Consultant Psychiatrist
Institute of Mental Health, Singapore
- **College of Physicians Singapore Lecture 2011**
'Palliative Care in Singapore – Good Medicine given with Compassion'
Cynthia Goh
Associate Professor & Head, Department of Palliative Medicine, National Cancer Centre Singapore
- **College of Ophthalmology Lectureship 2011**
'The Singapore Malay Eye Study – Key Findings, Public Health Messages and Clinical Implications'
Wong Tien Yin
Professor & Head, Department of Ophthalmology, National University of Singapore
Director, Singapore Eye Research Institute
Senior Consultant, Singapore National Eye Centre and National University Hospital

Winners of Poster and Oral Presentations

Best Poster Presentation Winner

Vivien Lim (Khoo Teck Phuat Hospital)

Poster Presentation Merit Winners

Yong Min Hui (Duke-NUS Graduate Medical School)

Reuben Foo Chao Ming (NUS Yong Loo Lin School of Medicine)

Best Oral Presentation Winner

Eric Chong (Jurong Health Services)

Oral Presentation Merit Winners

Dr Gary Ang (National Healthcare Group)

Dr Chan Ling Ling (Singapore General Hospital)

The three academies (AMM, AMS and HKAM) had their yearly joint Council Meeting on the morning of 22 July 2011. In addition, there was also a Congress Dinner where Presidents from fraternal colleges, Past Masters and representatives from the three academies gathered together for dinner and networking.



Joint Council Meeting of the three academies.



The Congress Dinner is a good platform for networking with Presidents from fraternal colleges.

Induction Comitia 2011

The Induction Comitia 2011 was held on 21 July 2012 at the Marina Mandarin Singapore, in conjunction with the Opening Ceremony of the 45th Singapore-Malaysia Congress of Medicine.

Mr Gan Kim Yong, Minister for Health, was present to grace the event as the Guest-of-Honour. The Academy witnessed the formal admission of 20 new Fellows and the conferment of fellowship to 16 Presidents of overseas Colleges. That evening also saw the graduation of 11 Staff Registrar Scheme students who completed their diplomas.

The FJ Jayaratnam Book Prize under the Diploma in Geriatric Medicine in Hospital and ILTC (Intermediate and Long Term Care) by the Chapter of Geriatricians, College of Physicians, was awarded to Dr Grace Olgado Silva for her outstanding performance.

The highlight of the evening was the 20th Gordon Arthur Ransome Oration, 'Bridges and Gaps in Healthcare', delivered by Dr York Chow, the Secretary for Food and Health of Hong Kong. At the event, Dr York Chow was conferred as Honorary Fellow of the Academy.



Stage Party comprising AMS, HKAM and AMM Council as well as Presidents of Overseas Colleges.



Dr York Chow (left) receiving the Gordon Arthur Ransome Gold Medal from Master Tan Kok Chai.



Guests proceeded for dinner with Guest-of-Honour, Mr Gan Kim Yong, after the Induction Comitia.

New Framework for Health Screening Tests

The Academy released the first evidence-based best practice guidelines on Screening Tests in Singapore on 10 February 2011. A Screening Test Review Committee (STRC), consisting of representatives from the Academy of Medicine, Singapore and Health Promotion Board, was set up to provide expert opinion on the appropriate use of specific screening tests for the early detection of disease.

The Screening Test framework was developed with the aim of providing clear guidance to healthcare professionals and members of the public about the value of specific screening tests and clinical indications, given the wide range of medical conditions for which screening is being offered, to aid the clinical judgement of physicians.



Dr Lee Hin Peng (centre), Chairman of the STRC, during the press conference.



Dr Chong Bee Kiang (left), one of the panellists, was being interviewed by the media.

Chinese New Year Celebration

Council members, Fellows and staff gathered at the Academy's office on 7 February 2011 for the annual Chinese New Year celebration. At this gathering, members and staff participated in the prosperity 'Lo Hei', accompanied by a buffet dinner.



A traditional must – members and staff participated in the tossing of the 'Lo Hei'.



The gathering was a great platform for networking with Council members, Fellows, and staff.

CORPORATE RELATIONS

Representation at Annual Meetings of Fraternal Colleges

The Academy, represented by Master, participated in the following events during the year:

- Internal Medicine 2011 organised by the American College of Physicians, 7-9 April 2011, San Diego.
- Annual Scientific Congress organised by Royal Australasian College of Surgeons, 3-6 May 2011, Adelaide, Australia.
- RACP Annual Congress organised by the Royal Australasian College of Physicians, 22-25 May 2011, Darwin, Australia.
- 36th Annual Scientific Meeting organised by the Royal College of Surgeons of Thailand, 14-17 July 2011, Pattaya, Thailand.
- 25th Anniversary of Hong Kong College of Physicians and Annual Scientific Meeting organised by the Hong Kong College of Physicians, 8-9 October 2011, Hong Kong.
- MOH/SAB Study Trip, 11-16 October 2011, London, United Kingdom.
- 97th Annual Clinical Congress organised by the American College of Surgeons, 23-27 October 2011, San Francisco.

Representation at Ministry of Health and Related Organisations

- Master of the Academy, Dr Tan Kok Chai, is co-chairman of the Executive Committee of the Joint Committee on Specialist Training (JCST). Dr Lim Shih Hui and Dr Lee Kok Onn are also Academy's representatives on JCST.
- Dr Anthony Heng, Dr Ho Lai Yun and Dr Lim Shih Hui represented the Academy on the Maintenance of Competency Committee, Singapore Medical Council.
- Dr Tan Kok Chai is a member of the Specialists Accreditation Board.
- Dr Venkataraman Anantharaman and Dr Sarvaselan Sayampanathan represented the Academy on a Subordinate Courts Committee to look into a "Single Joint Expert Witness" for civil compensation cases with a claim of less than \$20,000.

PROFESSIONAL AFFAIRS

The Academy continued to develop and implement new guidelines and contribute to professional opinions in the following areas:

MOH Clinical Practice Guidelines endorsed by the Academy

- Chronic Hepatitis B Infection
- Management of Drug Overdose and Poisoning
- Schizophrenia (review)
- Management of Gambling Disorders
- Depression CPG

Academy-MOH Clinical Practice Guidelines Development Programme (in progress of development)

- Management of Edentulism with Dental Implants
- Assessment and Management of Infertility at Primary Healthcare Level
- Attention Deficit and Hyperactivity Disorder (ADHD)

Professional opinion and feedback provided to MOH, SMC and other Ministries

- Nalbuphine Hydrochloride
- Use of Peripheral Blood Stem Cells (PBSC) For the Treatment of Knee Cartilage Ulcers
- Efficacy of Medical Hair Loss Treatments
- Credentialing in laparoscopy
- Accreditation criteria for Lower Segment Caesarean Section (LSCS)
- Opinion on surgical skills relevant to liposuction practice
- Use of Biocleanse Anterior Tibialis Tendon (ATT) For Multiple Ligament Knee Injury
- Internal Stakeholders Consultation on The Status of Children Bill
- Proposed Standards for Medisave Accreditation for Screening Colonoscopy
- The Role of Maggots Therapy In Reducing Amputation
- Licensing Terms and conditions for on Credentialing of Medical Practitioners
- Use of Bright Light Therapy (BLT) in Geriatric Delirious Patients
- Health Regulation Strategic Thrusts
- Genetic Predictive Tests
- Role of complementary and Alternative Medicine (CAM) practitioners
- Guidelines on Cryopreservation of Oocytes
- Feedback for Occupational Diseases Guidelines
- Treatment received at Beauty Salon
- Laser Hair Rejuvenation Therapy

- Public Hospitals and Medical Clinics (PHMC) Publicity Regulations
- Breast Cancer Screening
- Banking of Stem Cells Extracted from Human Umbilical Cord Tissue
- Unconventional Diagnostic Tests
- Cessation of Smoking
- Khan Kinetic Treatment (KKT) and Device
- Law firm seeking confirmation and clarification of Issue on Rhinoplasty
- Blood Donation Services
- Health Screening without Medical Practitioners
- Water Births
- Voluntary Sterilization Review
- Practice of Clinical Hypnosis
- List B Aesthetic Procedures
- Sedation by Non-Anaesthesiologists
- Consultation by Foreign Medical doctors
- Taskforce on Sedation by Non Anaesthesiologists
- Feedback on Instant Braces
- List A Aesthetic Procedures
- Cataract and Intraocular Surgeries in Medical Clinics
- Sub-specialty Credentialing
- Proposed Licensing Terms and Conditions for Human Cell and Tissue Based Therapy (CTT)
- Prohibition of Advertisement Relating to Medical Skill or Service
- Provision of Hypnotherapy services in a GP clinic
- Management of healthcare workers with blood-borne diseases

Independent Medical Experts

The Academy, through its Fellows, had provided 40 independent medical expert reports to the Singapore Police Force by the end of the year, with seven cases still in progress. A total of \$33,000 was paid out as honorarium in appreciation of the medical experts' time and opinion. A total of 302 requests have been attended to since 2005.

Verification of Visiting Experts

In 2011, the Academy verified four foreign visiting experts' qualifications and expertise who applied for temporary medical registration granted by the Singapore Medical Council.

PUBLICATION

The Annals

Twelve issues of Annals were published in 2011. Among these 12 monthly issues, four were themed on “Ethics and Medicine”, “Bioengineering”, “Pharmacogenetics” and “Dengue”. In addition, the journal also published three supplements on “Proceedings of the Inaugural Asian Conference on Integrated Care Singapore 2011”, “Proceedings of 45th Singapore-Malaysia Congress of Medicine 2011” and “2nd Singapore Health & Biomedical Congress”.

The journal received 473 (free and theme) papers in 2011.

Volume	Month	Topic/Theme
Vol 40 No. 1	January 2011	Ethics and Medicine Guest Editors: Chin Jing Jih and Alastair V Campbell
Vol 40 No. 2	February 2011	Free papers
Vol 40 No. 2 (Suppl)	February 2011	Proceedings of the Inaugural Asian Conference on Integrated Care Singapore 2011
Vol 40 No. 3	March 2011	Free papers
Vol 40 No. 4	April 2011	Free papers
Vol 40 No. 5	May 2011	Bioengineering Guest Editors: Theo Kofidis and James Goh
Vol 40 No. 6	June 2011	Free papers
Vol 40 No. 7	July 2011	Free papers
Vol 40 No. 7 (Suppl)	July 2011	Proceedings of 45 th Singapore-Malaysia Congress of Medicine 2011
Vol 40 No. 8	August 2011	Pharmacogenetics Guest Editors: Goh Boon Cher and Lee Soo Chin
Vol 40 No. 9	September 2011	Free Papers
Vol 40 No. 10	October 2011	Free Papers
Vol 40 No. 11	November 2011	Free papers
Vol 40 No. 11 (Suppl)	November 2011	2 nd Singapore Health & Biomedical Congress (SHBC) 2011
Vol 40 No. 12	December 2011	Dengue Guest Editor: Leo Yee Sin

The inaugural AAMS best publication award was given out in 2011 to recognize the contributions of authors in areas of excellent clinical research and their outstanding published works in Annals in 2010.

Gold **Risk Factors and Clinical Outcomes for Contrast-induced Nephropathy After Percutaneous Coronary Intervention in Patients with Normal Serum Creatinine**
Eric Chong, Kian Keong Poh, Shen Liang, Huay Cheem Tan

Silver **Pathological Video-Gaming among Singaporean Youth**
Hyekyung Choo, Douglas A Gentile, Timothy Sim, Dongdong Li, Angeline Khoo, Albert K Liaw

Bronze **Urotensin 2 and Retinoic Acid Receptor Alpha (RARA) Gene Expression in IgA Nephropathy**
Keng Thye Woo, Yeow Kok Lau, Yi Zhao, Kim Yoong Puong, Hwee Boon Tan, Stephanie Fook-Chong, Kok Seng Wong, Choong Meng Chan



Dr Eric Chong (right) receiving the Gold Award from Master-Elect, Dr Lim Shih Hui, on behalf of his team.

Members of the Specialist Advisory Panel 2011

The members of this panel are Drs Balam Chowbay, Chen Fun Gee, Chang Tou Choong, Fong Kok Yong, Khoo Kei Siong, Tan Bien Soo and Hugo van Bever.

Members of the International Advisory Panel 2011

The members of this panel are Drs Juliana CN Chan, Richard N Fine, Ho Yik Hong, Edward Holmes, Richard H Hunt, Ranga Krishnan, Edison Liu, Harvey Marcovitch and Albert Singer.

2010 Impact Factor

The journal impact factor (Journal Citation Reports) for the year 2010 was 1.2. The Editorial Board thanks all Guest Editors and Expert Reviewers who have given their invaluable time and expertise to help enhance the international standing of the Annals.

The Editorial Board acknowledges the Lee Foundation for their continuous generous support in the year 2011.

STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2011

Academy of Medicine, Singapore

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(Company and Charity Registration No. 197702012E)

	2011 <u>S\$</u>	2010 <u>S\$</u>
Incoming Resources From Generated Funds		
<u>Voluntary Income</u>		
- Donations In Cash	141,080	111,550
- Operating Grant	547,856	204,936
<u>Investment Income</u>		
- Interest Income	9,370	12,543
<u>Charitable Income</u>		
- Advertisement/Sponsorship	-	-
- Allowance For Doubtful Debts Written Back	-	35,220
- Building Funds	70,540	80,243
- Entrance Fees	26,700	31,390
- Surplus from Events	100,466	98,306
- Examination Income	125,014	-
- Impairment Losses on Investment Property Written Back	1,070,000	-
- Registration/Application Fees	654,583	1,443,820
- Rental Income	272,275	272,275
- Professional/Course Fees	308,184	329,242
- Sponsorship/Trade Exhibition	27,711	
- Subscription	991,804	955,770
- Miscellaneous Income	112,802	132,567
Total Incoming Resources	4,458,385	3,707,862
Resources Expended		
- Charitable Activities Expenses	588,960	449,241
- Other Operating and Administrative Expenses	3,187,465	2,808,792
Total Resources Expended	3,776,425	3,258,033
Net Movement in Funds and Total Comprehensive Income for the Financial Year	681,960	449,829
Reconciliation of Funds		
Total Funds Brought Forward	11,993,077	11,543,248
Total Funds Carried Forward	<u>12,675,037</u>	<u>11,993,077</u>

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2011

Academy of Medicine, Singapore

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(Company and Charity Registration No. 197702012E)

	2011 S\$	2010 S\$
Non Current Assets		
Investment Properties	4,090,139	3,045,004
Plant and Equipment	136,519	142,117
Other Debtors & Prepayments	2,367,879	2,539,412
	6,594,537	5,726,533
Current Assets		
Inventories	2,556	4,012
Receivables	1,462,413	1,405,228
Other Debtors and Prepayments	329,317	294,218
Amount Due From Related Companies (Non Trade)	874	13,067
Fixed Deposits Placed With Financial Institutions	2,194,969	2,187,907
Cash And Bank Balances	4,305,891	3,708,379
	8,296,020	7,612,811
Less : Current Liabilities		
Amount Due To Related Companies (Non Trade)	217,035	139,425
Other Creditors And Accruals	1,997,908	1,198,175
Subscriptions Received In Advance	577	8,667
	2,215,520	1,346,267
Net Current Assets	6,080,500	6,266,544
Total Assets	12,675,037	11,993,077
Funds		
<u>Unrestricted Fund</u>		
Accumulated Fund	1,199,258	1,313,946
<u>Restricted Funds</u>		
Annals Fund	474,295	483,658
Building And Endowment Fund	7,923,784	6,845,343
Dental Advanced Specialists Training Fund	11,183	11,183
Joint Committee on Specialist Training Fund	824,941	1,166,387
Chapters' Funds	301,335	257,413
Lectures' Funds	1,760,728	1,777,926
College Of Ophthalmologists	179,513	137,221
Total Funds	12,675,037	11,993,077



CHAPTERS

CHAPTER OF EMERGENCY PHYSICIANS

5TH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The 5th Annual General Meeting of the Chapter of Emergency Physicians was held on 16 June 2011 in the Tutorial Room, Department of Emergency Medicine, Block 1, Level 3 (Rooftop), Singapore General Hospital, Outram Road, Singapore 169608.

The Office-Bearers for the year 2011 to 2012 were:

Chairperson:	Prof V. Anantharaman
Vice-Chairperson:	A/Prof Goh Siang Hiong
Secretary:	A/Prof Lim Swee Han
Treasurer:	Dr Lee Wee Yee
Committee Members:	A/Prof Marcus E H Ong Dr Peng Li Lee A/Prof Eillyne Seow
Co-opted Member:	Dr Quek Lit Sin

COMMITTEE MEETINGS

The Chapter convened two meetings for the year 2011.

MEMBERSHIP

The total membership of the Chapter as at 31 December 2011 stands at 49.

ACTIVITIES

Continuing Medical Education (CME)

The Chapter co-organised a lecture with the National Resuscitation Council (NRC) Singapore on 13 April 2011, at the Auditorium, DUKE-NUS Graduate Medical School Singapore. The speaker was Prof Hideharu Tanaka (Professor, Sports & Medical Science and Vice-Chairman, Graduate School of Emergency Medical Systems, Kokushikan University, Tokyo, Japan). He delivered a lecture on 'Increasing Layperson Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation (CPR) & Defibrillation: Japan's Experience'. The Session Chairperson was A/Prof Marcus E H Ong (Senior Consultant, Director of Research & Clinician Scientist, Department of Emergency Medicine, Singapore General Hospital & Associate Professor, Office of Clinical Sciences, Duke-NUS Graduate Medical School Singapore). The lecture was well-attended by doctors, nurses pharmacists and other medical professionals.

Closed Door Meeting

A closed door meeting on 'Teaching Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation (CPR) & Defibrillation in Schools & THE Community' was held on 13 April 2011, at the Ministry of Health, Singapore. The meeting commenced with an opening address from Prof V. Anantharaman followed by a short overview presentation from Prof Hideharu Tanaka of his experience on 'Teaching CPR in Japanese Schools'. A discussion took place at the end of the meeting. The panellists were: Prof Hideharu Tanaka (Guest Speaker, Kokushikan University, Tokyo, Japan), Prof Tan Kok Chai (Master, Academy of Medicine, Singapore), Prof V. Anantharaman (Chapter Chairperson & Chairman of NRC Singapore), A/Prof Marcus E H Ong (Organising Chairperson & Chapter Ex Co Member), Dr K. Vijaya (Director, Youth Division, HPB, Singapore), Mr Wong Hen Jeng (Assistant Director, School Safety Unit) & Mr Teo Kok Hong (Officer, Schools Division), MOE, Singapore, Dr Vineta Bhalla (Director) & Dr Michael Mitakidis (Deputy Director), MOH, Singapore, Prof Goh Lee Gan (Chairman, NFAC, Singapore), Mr Bobby Yap (Director, Emergency Preparedness Division) & Mr Gerard Han (Assistant Director, Emergency Preparedness, Community Engagement), PA Singapore, Mr Vernon Kang (CEO) & Ms Jeslin Sin (Senior Manager, Community Education, Fund Raising & Heart Safe), SHF, Mr Christopher Chua (Secretary General) & Ms Faiszah A Hamid (Head, Red Cross Training Centre), SRCS. The event was jointly organised by the Chapter and the NRC Singapore.

CHAPTER OF EMERGENCY PHYSICIANS

Controversies & Innovation in Emergency Medicine

The Chapter organised a half-day symposia comprising two tracks on 'Controversies & Innovation in Emergency Medicine', on 23 July 2011 in conjunction with the 45th Singapore-Malaysia Congress of Medicine (SMCM). It was held at the Suntec Singapore International Convention & Exhibition Centre. Dr Irwani Ibrahim, Consultant, Emergency Medicine Department, NUH, was the Organising Chairperson. The topics, speakers & chairpersons were:

Symposium 1 (Chairperson: Dr Irwani Ibrahim)	Symposium 2 (Chairperson: Dr Steven H C Lim)
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Innovation Resuscitation/Pre-hospital Care A/Prof Marcus E H Ong Senior Consultant, Director of Research & Clinician Scientist, SGH• Telestroke Dr Camlyn Tan Consultant, Department of Accident & Emergency, CGH• Early Goal Directed Therapy: Controversies & Current Opinion A/Prof Malcolm Mahadevan Senior Consultant & Head, Emergency Medicine Department, NUH• Crisis Standard of Care Dr Steven H C Lim Consultant, Department of Accident & Emergency, CGH	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Design of the Emergency Department of the Future Dr Quek Lit Sin Head, JGH• Challenges in Observation Medicine Dr Lim Ghee Hian Senior Consultant, Department of Accident & Emergency, CGH• Emergency Ultrasound: How it Changed ED Practise Dr Toh Hong Chuen Associate Consultant, Department of Acute & Emergency Care Centre, KTPH• Acute Non-Invasive Ventilation Dr Irwani Ibrahim Consultant, Emergency Medicine Department, NUH

Inaugural Preparatory Course for M Med (Emergency Medicine)/MCEM (UK) Parts B & C Exams

The Inaugural Preparatory Course for M Med (Emergency Medicine)/MCEM (UK), Parts B and C Exams was organised by the Chapter from 25 to 30 July 2011 in Singapore at the following hospitals: Changi General Hospital (CGH), KK Women's & Children's Hospital (KKH), KhooTeck Puat Hospital (KTPH), National University Hospital (NUH), Singapore General Hospital (SGH) & Tan Tock Seng Hospital (TTSH). The Organising Committee comprised Dr Kenneth W J Heng (Convener) and Hospital Coordinators: Dr Michael Y C Chong (TTSH), Dr Rahul Goswami (CGH), Dr Keith W H Ho (NUH), Dr Jeremy C P Wee (SGH), Dr Francis C Y Lee & Dr Toh Hong Chuen (KTPH), Dr Amila Punyadasa (AH-JHS) and Dr Peter C Y Wong (KKH). Registration comprised seven local and three overseas trainees and eight DEM candidates of the fourth and fifth intakes. The faculty comprised 13 lecturers and 42 Practical Assessment of Clinical Examination Skills (PACES) facilitators.

Diploma in Emergency Medicine (Dem) Course – Staff Registrar Scheme (SRS)

A total of eight candidates were enrolled into the fifth intake of the Diploma in Emergency Medicine Course which commenced on 14 April 2011. Dr Steven H C Lim was appointed as the new Programme Director for two years from 1 April 2011 to 31 March 2013. Four candidates graduated from the third intake of the course: Dr Daguman Devie Romano, Dr Faizal bin Kassim, Dr Michael Lisondra Ebuna and Dr Thajudeen Mohammed Zuhary. They were awarded with certificates during the opening of the 45th Singapore-Malaysia Congress of Medicine and Annual Induction Comitia presentation ceremony for the Staff Registrar Scheme Diplomas on 21 July 2011. The event was held at Marina Mandarin Singapore.

Position Paper – The State of Emergency Medical Care in Singapore

A workgroup was formed on 28 July 2011 to develop a position paper on 'The State of Emergency Medical Care in Singapore'. A charter had been drawn up to guide the workgroup in all areas of the project. The timeline was forecasted for a duration of a year. The hierarchy structure consisted of the Main, Sub & Editorial Committees, Independent Reviewers, Advisors & Key Stakeholders. The Chair and Co-Chairmen are: Dr Steven H C Lim & A/Prof Malcolm Mahadevan.

Clinical Practice Guidelines (CPGs)

The Chapter submitted its endorsement through the Academy's Professional Affairs Department, to MOH for the CPG on 'Management of Drug Overdose & Poisoning'.

CHAPTER OF PATHOLOGISTS

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The Chapter held its 25th Annual General Meeting on 4 August 2011 at Library Room, #03-16, Department of Pathology, Singapore General Hospital.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE 2011 - 2012

Chairman: Dr Cuthbert Teo
Vice Chairman: Dr Deepak Rama Narayana
Secretary: Dr Yeo Chin Pin
Treasurer: Dr Jacqueline Hwang
Committee Members: Dr Inny Busmanis
Dr Nicholas Goh
Dr Roland Jureen

MEMBERSHIP

The total membership of the Chapter as at 31 December 2011 stood at 58.

NEW FELLOW

The following was admitted as Fellow of the Academy of Medicine, Singapore (Pathology) in 2011:

- Dr Chan Kian Sing

The Chapter would like to take this opportunity to welcome Dr Chan Kian Sing.

ACTIVITIES

South Central Association of Clinical Microbiology Audio-conference

The Chapter co-organised the following CD-recorded Audio-conference sessions with the Singapore Society of Pathology and the Department of Pathology, Singapore General Hospital:

Topic: **Legal Aspects/Legal Cases in Clinical Microbiology**
Date: 10 January 2011
Presenter: **Mr John Rottinghaus, J.D.**
Partner with Wagstaff & Cartmell, United States
Moderator: **Dr Sng Li-Hwei**
Senior Consultant
Department of Pathology, SGH

Topic: **Bacterial Vaginosis**
Date: 21 March 2011
Presenter: **Dr Carol A. Spiegel**
Professor (CHS)
Department of Pathology and Laboratory Medicine
University of Wisconsin-Madison
Moderator: **Dr James Sim**
Registrar
Department of Pathology
Singapore General Hospital

Topic: **Verification & Validation in Clinical Microbiology**
Date: 18 April 2011
Presenter: **Dr Mike Loeffelhioz**
Associate Professor, Department of Pathology;
Director, Clinical Microbiology Division
University of Texas Medical Branch
Moderator: **Dr Ng Tong Yong**
Registrar
Department of Pathology
Singapore General Hospital

Topic: **Role of the Microbiology Laboratory in Diagnosis and Management of Pharyngitis**
Date: 23 May 2011
Presenter: **Dr Paul Bourbeau**
Director of Microbiology
Geisinger Medical Laboratories
Geisinger Medical Center
Moderator: **Dr Cecilia Ngan**
Senior Consultant
Department of Pathology
Singapore General Hospital

Topic: **Yeast Susceptibility Testing**
Date: 22 August 2011
Presenter: **Gerri Hall**
Section Head of Clinical Microbiology, Cleveland Clinic and Professor of Pathology, Cleveland Clinic Lerner College of Medicine Case Western Reserve University
Moderator: **Dr Tan Ai Ling**
Senior Consultant
Department of Pathology
Singapore General Hospital

Topic: **Why Order Shiga Toxin Tests**
Date: 3 October 2011
Presenter: **Brent Barrett**
Public Health and Medical Microbiologist
Public Health and Clinical Labs
Indianapolis, Indiana Area
United States of America
Moderator: **Dr Koh Tse Hsien**
Senior Consultant
Department of Pathology
Singapore General Hospital

Topic: **Group B Streptococcus Testing**
Date: 14 November 2011
Presenter: **Dr Roberta Carey**
Director, Laboratory Quality Management Program
Centers for Disease Control and Prevention
Moderator: **Dr Chan Kian Sing**
Associate Consultant
Department of Pathology
Singapore General Hospital

- Molecular Diagnostics and Targeted Therapies in Solid Tumours - Current Status (27 Sep)
- Updates in Molecular Haematology Testing (27 Sep)
- Molecular Diagnostics and Targeted Therapies in Solid Tumours – Future Targets (28 Sep)
- Validation and Verification of Diagnostic Molecular Tests (28 Sep)
- Role of Molecular Diagnostics in Genetics Testing and Pharmacogenetics (29 Sep)
- HER2 FISH and IHC testing (29 Sep)
- Quality Control and Monitoring of Molecular Tests (29 Sep)
- Overview Of Current Molecular Diagnostic Methods and Emerging Molecular Technologies (30 Sep)

HMDP Visiting Expert Lectures

Date: 26 – 30 September 2011

The Chapter, together with Singapore General Hospital; Singapore Society of Pathologists and Singapore Association of Clinical Biochemists, organised a series of lectures by HMDP Visiting Expert in Molecular Pathology, Professor Gregory James Tsongalis. Professor Tsongalis who was from the Department of Pathology, Dartmouth Medical School, delivered the following lectures:

- Advances in Molecular Diagnosis of Infectious Diseases (26 Sep)
- Bringing New Molecular Tests into the Clinical Laboratory (26 Sep)
- Molecular Pathology Using Paraffin-Embedded Tissue and Cytological Samples (27 Sep)

Visiting Lecturer

Professor Elaine Jaffe, Chief of the Haematopathology Section, National Cancer Institute, was appointed as Visiting Lecturer. A highly respected haematopathologist and talented teacher, Prof Jaffe delivered two lectures on 31 October 2011 at the Singapore General Hospital. The lectures titled “Pathology of NK and T-cell lymphoma” and “Anaplastic T Cell Lymphoma” were held as part of the Singapore General Hospital Hematolymphoid Pathology Course.

SPONSORSHIP OF EVENTS

The Chapter sponsored the following activities in 2011:

SGH Histopathology Course

1 – 5 August 2011

The course, which covered 10 pathology subspecialties, comprised a mixture of slide quizzes, multi-header microscopic instruction and didactic lectures. About 25 case studies were discussed each day and the participants were given access to study the glass slides in advance. The types of cases selected encompassed both benign and malignant pathology and were suited for candidates taking the FRCPA/FRCPath Examination.

The Royal College of Pathologists of Australasia (RCPA) Visiting Lecturer

7 & 8 December 2011

Professor Roger Byard, Marks Professor of Pathology at the University of Adelaide, was the RCPA Visiting Lecturer for 2011. A total of four lectures were delivered over the two days.

7 December 2011

- The Autopsy and Sudden Infant Death Syndrome
- Sudden Death in Childhood

8 December 2011

- Injuries in Childhood
- Life as an Academic Pathologist

NOMINAL SPONSORSHIP

Singapore General Hospital Breast Pathology Course 2011

4 & 5 November 2011

The course focused on challenges and pitfalls of preoperative diagnosis of breast conditions using core biopsy and cytology. A hands-on microscopy workshop and a series of lectures were part of the course. Dr Ian Ellis, a professor at the University of Nottingham, United Kingdom; Dr Fernando Schmitt, from the Medical Faculty of Porto University, Portugal and Dr Gary Tse, from the Chinese University of Hong Kong were invited to share their valuable expertise at the course.

Singapore General Hospital Hematolymphoid Pathology Course 2011

31 October – 3 November 2011

The course comprised didactic lectures with a microscopic session that incorporated histopathology, immunohistochemistry, as well as results of fluorescence in situ hybridization (FISH) and clonality analysis by PCR. The course was conducted by Dr Kevin Gatter, from the Nuffield Department of Clinical Laboratory Sciences at Oxford University and Dr Elaine Jaffe, the Academy's Visiting Lecturer.

STAFF REGISTRAR SCHEME

The Chapter is pleased to announce that the following candidate of the Staff Registrar Scheme had graduated with the Advanced Diploma in Pathology:

- Dr Ana Richelia Jara-Lazaro

The diploma is jointly awarded by the Chapter and the Academy of Medicine, Singapore.

CHAPTER OF PSYCHIATRISTS

25TH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The 25th Annual General Meeting of the Chapter of Psychiatrists was held on 3 June 2011, 7:30pm in Seminar Room 1, Level 3, Main Building, Tan Tock Seng Hospital, (TTSH), 11 Jalan Tan Tock Seng, Singapore 308433.

The Office-Bearers for the year 2011-2012 were:

Chairperson:	Dr Yap Hwa Ling
Vice-Chairperson:	Dr Ng Beng Yeong
Secretary:	A/Prof Fones Soon Leng Calvin
Treasurer:	Dr Ngui Tet Shin Francis
Committee Members:	A/Prof Ong Thiew Chai Dr Kok Lee Peng
Co-opted Members:	A/Prof Wong Chee Meng John A/Prof Rathi Mahendran

MEMBERSHIP

The total membership of the Chapter as at 31 December 2011 stands at 91.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS

The Chapter held one meeting for the year 2011.

ACTIVITIES

Quarterly Professional Lecture 2011

The following lecture was co-organised with the Academy of Medicine, Singapore (AMS):

17 March 2011

1st Professional Lecture: 'Life Trajectories of Common Childhood Disorder – ADHD, Bipolar & Early Psychosis'

Professor Eric Andrew Taylor

Emeritus Professor of Child & Adolescent Psychiatry – King's College London, England, UK & Visiting Academician Y2011, Academy of Medicine, Singapore & Chapter of Psychiatrists

Chairperson: A/Prof Wong Chee Meng John

Continuing Medical Education

The Chapter organised the following lectures:

28 July 2011

'Effective Antipsychotic Treatment for Relapse Prevention'

Dr Haya Ascher

Research Fellow, Global Health Outcomes with Eli Lilly & Company since Y2000

Adjunct Clinical Associate Professor of Psychology, Psychiatry Department, Indiana University School of Medicine, Indianapolis, IN 2000, USA

Chairperson: A/Prof Wong Chee Meng John.

11 October 2011

'The Impact of Treatment on the Course & Outcome of Bipolar Disorder'

Dr Sagar V Parikh

Deputy Psychiatrist-in-Chief at the University Health Network (Toronto General Hospital, Toronto Western Hospital, and Princess Margaret Hospital) and Director of Continuing Mental Health Education at the University of Toronto, Ontario, Canada

Chairperson: A/Prof Lim Eng Choon Leslie

Seminar on 'Forensic Psychiatric Assessments: Pitfalls & Problems'

The Chapter and the Department of Psychological Medicine, Tan Tock Seng Hospital (TTSH) were joint collaborators to a seminar on 'Forensic Psychiatric Assessments: Pitfalls & Problems', held on 3 June 2011 at TTSH. The programme comprised the following topics and speakers:

- *The Lawyer's Perspective: 'What Lawyers want from a Psychiatric Report'*
Mr Nicholas Cheong, Advocate & Solicitor, Singapore; Advocate, England & Wales; Honorary Secretary, Medico-Legal Society of Singapore & Partner, Lim Soon Peng & Co LLP

- *The Psychiatrist's Perspective – 'Difficulties in Forensic Psychiatric Assessments'*
A/Prof Calvin S L Fones, Consultant Psychiatrist, Fones Clinic-Psychological Medicine, Gleneagles Medical Centre, Singapore
- *Report – 'The Chapter of Psychiatrists Survey on Forensic Psychiatric Reports'*
Dr Tor Phern Chern, Adjunct Lecturer, Department of Psychological Medicine, National University Health System, Singapore

A panel discussion was held at the end of the session, chaired by Dr Nicholas Chew (Consultant, Department of Psychological Medicine, TTSH). The session was well-attended.

Workshop on 'Courtroom Skills'

The Institute of Mental Health (IMH) and the Chapter co-organised a Workshop on Courtroom Skills' which took place on 14 September 2011 at IMH. The programme comprised two cases: one for Civil on PTSD and the second was a Criminal presentation. The Organising Chairperson was Dr Goh Hern Yee Jerome, Deputy Chief & Consultant, Department of Forensic Psychiatry, IMH.

SURVEY OF PSYCHIATRISTS ON FORENSIC PSYCHIATRIC ASSESSMENTS IN SINGAPORE

The Chapter conducted a 'Survey of Psychiatrists on Forensic Psychiatric Assessments in Singapore' among all Specialist Psychiatrists registered with the Specialist Accreditation Board (SAB) in 2011. Dr Tor Phern Chern presented a report to all Fellow Psychiatrists at a Seminar on 'Forensic Psychiatric Assessments – Pitfalls & Problems' held on 3 June 2011. The final survey was completed on 2 September 2011.

MOH CONSULTATION PAPER – 'PROPOSED MEASURES TO MONITOR ERRANT PRESCRIBING OF BENZODIAZEPINES (BZS)'

A meeting for the MOH Consultation Paper on 'Proposed Measures to Monitor Errant Prescribing of Benzodiazepines (BZs)', was convened for FAMS Psychiatrists on 5 October 2011 at Postgraduate Medical Institute (PGMI), Singapore General Hospital (SGH). An official letter of reply containing feedback from members present during the above session was submitted to MOH on 19 October 2011.

MINISTRY OF HEALTH (MOH) REQUESTS

The Chapter provided her professional opinions through the Academy's Professional Affairs Department to MOH who had requested for:

- Clinical Practice Guidelines (CPGs) Masterplan Topics for FY2012 [Development of CPG for 'Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder (ADHD)']
- Use of Bright Light Therapy (BLT) in Geriatric Delirious Patients
- Health Regulation Strategic Thrusts
- Practice of Clinical Hypnosis
- Provision of Hypnotherapy Services in a GP Clinic

MINISTRY OF HEALTH (MOH) CLINICAL PRACTICE GUIDELINES (CPGs)

The Chapter submitted its endorsements through the Academy's Professional Affairs Department to MOH for:

- CPG on Schizophrenia (Review)
- CPG on Management of Gambling Disorders
- CPG on Depression (Draft)

PSYCHIATRY RESIDENT IN-TRAINING EXAMINATIONS (PRITE)

The Chapter witnessed the birth of a new Psychiatry residency programme headed by A/Prof Chiam Peak Chiang (Programme Director), Vice-Chairman, Medical Board (Education), IMH. The Academy conducted the PRITE (offered by the American College of Psychiatrists) for all registered year two Psychiatry residents in Singapore on 13 October 2011 at IMH. It was a formative assessment administered in two parts, the first session started from 0900 hours to 1200 hours and the second from 1300 hours to 1600 hours.

CHAPTER OF PUBLIC HEALTH & OCCUPATIONAL PHYSICIANS

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The 30th Annual General Meeting of the Chapter of Public Health & Occupational Physicians was held on 13 May 2011.

The following office bearers for the year Committee term 2011-2012 were elected:

Chairman:	Dr Eugene Shum
Vice-Chairman:	Dr Benjamin Ng
Secretary:	Dr Jeremy Lim
Treasurer:	Dr Jeffery Cutter
Committee Members:	Dr Richard Tan Dr Toh Cheong Mui Dr Jason Yap
Co-opted Members:	Dr Kenneth Choy Dr Matthias Toh

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE 2011-2012



Standing (from left to right): Dr Richard Tan (Committee Member), Dr Jeremy Lim (Secretary), Dr Jason Yap (Committee Member), Dr Mona Toh (Committee Member)

Seated (from left to right): Dr Jeffery Cutter (Treasurer), Dr Eugene Shum (Chairman), Dr Benjamin Ng (Vice Chairman), Dr Kenneth Choy (Co-opted Member)

MEMBERSHIP

The Membership of the Chapter stood at 109 as of 31 December 2011.

The Chapter's Membership consists of 104 Local Fellows, four Overseas Fellows and one Ordinary Member.

ACTIVITIES

6th Singapore Public Health & Occupational Medicine Conference

The conference was held with much success on 24–26 August 2011 at Furama Riverfront, Singapore. The theme for this year's conference was "Innovations in Public Health and Occupational Medicine - The Next Frontier".

Various topics such as use of new media in public health, innovative health financing models, mental health promotion and workplace wellness were discussed at the four plenary lectures and 13 symposia. Overall, the interesting lectures and wide array of topics in the scientific programmes were well-received by participants.

The conference was attended by about 230 delegates. The invited faculty included speakers from the United States, the United Kingdom, the Netherlands, Thailand, India and Singapore.

Two pre-conference workshops were held on 24 August 2011 - Fatigue Risk Management System and Economic Evaluations in Clinical Practice Guidelines. Both workshops had a good turnout of 25 participants each.

Continuing Medical Education Lectures

The following lectures were co-organised with the Department of Epidemiology and Public Health NUS Yong Loo Lin School of Medicine in 2011:

JANUARY

Date : 6 January 2011
Topic : **Electronic Health Record Adoption and Quality Improvement in US Hospitals**
Speaker : **Dr Spencer S Jones, PhD**
Assoc Information Scientist
RAND Corporation, USA
Chairperson : Dr Lim Wei-Yen

Date : 25 January 2011
Topic : **Making Public Health “Sexy”**
Speaker : **Prof Kenneth E Warner, PhD**
Prof, Health Management & Policy
Avedis Donabedian Distinguished University Professor
of Public Health, USA
Chairperson : Prof Chia Kee Seng

FEBRUARY

Date : 16 February 2011
Topic : **Genome-Wide Exploration of Genetic Susceptibility to Hypertension and Associated Disease**
Speaker : **Dr Norihiro Kato MD, PhD**
Department of Gene Diagnostics and Therapeutics
Research Institute
National Center for Global Health and Medicine
Japan
Chairperson : Assoc Prof Teo Yik Ying

Date : 16 February 2011
Topic : **Large-Scale Association Analysis for Type 2 Diabetes in East Asian Populations**
Speaker : **Dr Yoon Shin Cho, PhD**
Principal Research Scientist
Center for Genome Science
Korea National Institute of Health
Osong, Korea

Date : 23 February 2011
Topic : **Developments in Industrial Hygiene – the South Korean Perspective**
Speaker : **Assoc Prof Doo Yong Park, DrPH, CIH**
Occupational Safety and Health/Dept of Mechanical Engineering
Hansung University, South Korea
Chairperson : Assoc Prof Lee See Muah

MARCH

Date : 1 March 2011
Topic : **Statisticians and Pharmacokineticists: What They Can Still Learn from Each Other**
Speaker : **Prof Stephen Senn**
School of Mathematics and Statistics
University of Glasgow, United Kingdom
Chairperson : Assoc Prof Tai Bee Choo

Date : 18 March 2011
Topic : **Has Medical Innovation Reduced Cancer Mortality**
Speaker : **Dr Frank R Lichtenberg, PhD**
Courtney C Brown Professor of Business
Columbia University, USA
Chairperson : Dr Suchin Virabhak

APRIL

Date : 6 April 2011
Topic : **The End of Tobacco**
Speaker : **Prof A J Berrick**
Dept of Mathematics, NUS
Chairperson : Assoc Prof Jeannette Lee

MAY

Date : 6 May 2011
Topic : **Lifestyle Interventions and Independence for Elders – The LIFE Study**
Speaker : **Prof Marco Pahor, MD**
Professor and Chair
Department of Aging and Geriatric Research
College of Medicine
Director, Institute on Aging
University of Florida, USA

Date : 11 May 2011
Topic : **Impacts of The Gut Microbiota on Diabetes**
Speaker : **Dr Chieh Jason Chou**
Research Scientist
Energy and Metabolic Health Group
Nutrition and Health Department
Nestlé Research Center Lausanne, Switzerland
Chairperson : Assoc Prof Rob Martinus Van Dam

JULY

Date : 7 July 2011
Topic : **Clinical Trials for Vaccines Against Respiratory and Enteric Diseases**
Speaker : **Dr Paul Kilgore**
Senior Scientist in the Translational Research Division (TRD)
The International Vaccine Institute (IVI)
Seoul, Korea
Chairperson : Assoc Prof Rob Martinus Van Dam

AUGUST

Date : 1 August 2011
Topic : **Can Economic Modelling be used to inform Immunisation Policy? Some Insights from The Experience of the United Kingdom and Other Countries**
Speaker : **Dr Mark Jit**
Health Economist/Mathematical Modeller Health Protection Centre for Infections, London
United Kingdom
Chairperson : Dr Mark Chen

Date : 8 August 2011
Topic : **The Effect of Incretin Related Agents on Insulin Secretion; In View of Ethnic Differences of Type 2 Diabetes**
Speaker : **Prof Mitsuo Fukushima**
Division of Clinical Nutrition and Internal Medicine
Department of Nutritional Science
Okayama Prefectural University, Japan
Chairperson : Dr Daniel Ng

Date : 11 August 2011
Topic : **The Development and Implementation of a National Health Security Strategy**
Speaker : **Dr Jeffrey Wasserman**
Leader, RAND COMPARE; Assistant Dean for Academic Affairs
Pardee RAND Graduate School
Senior Policy, Researcher Santa Monica Office, USA
Chairperson : Assoc Prof Lim Yee Wei

SEPTEMBER

Date : 27 September 2011
Topic : **The Indian Ocean Dipole and Malaria Risk in The Highlands of Western Kenya**
Speaker : **Dr Masahiro Hashizume**
Department of International Health
Institute of Tropical Medicine
Nagasaki University, Japan
Chairperson : Dr Alex Cook

Date : 29 September 2011
Topic : **Quality Improvement in Health Care: Lessons from Selected RAND Studies**
Speaker : **Prof Lisa S Meredith**
Senior Behavioral Scientist;
Manager, Behavioral and Social Sciences Group
Professor, Pardee RAND Graduate School
Santa Monica Office, USA
Chairperson : Assoc Prof Wong Mee Lian

The following lectures were co-organised with the Saw Swee Hock School of Public Health, National University of Singapore in 2011:

OCTOBER

Date : 20 October 2011
Topic : **The Pragmatics of Qualitative Research: Practical Solutions to Real Problems**

Speaker : **Dr Gery W Ryan**
Senior Behavioral Scientist
RAND Corporation, USA

Chairperson : Assoc Prof Jeannette Lee

Date : 28 October 2011
Topic : **Current Methods for Estimating the Size of Populations Most at Risk to HIV**

Speaker : **Dr Hanh La, PhD**
In Epidemiology from
The John Hopkins University Bloomberg School of Public Health

Chairperson : Assoc Prof Wong Mee Lian

NOVEMBER

Date : 9 November 2011
Topic : **Non-Inferiority Design: Implications of Active Controls in Clinical Development Programs**

Speaker : **Prof Andrew Leon, PHD**
DeWitt Wallace Senior Scholar
Professor of Biostatistics in Psychiatry
Professor of Public Health
Weill Cornell Medical College
Cornell University

Chairperson : Dr Alex Cook

Date : 24 November 2011
Topic : **How to Develop a Cochrane Protocol**
Speaker : **Assoc Prof Malinee Laopaiboon**
Dept of Biostatistics & Demography
Faculty of Public Health, Khon Kaen University
Thailand

Chairperson : Prof David Koh

DECEMBER

Date : 2 December 2011
Topic : **The Potential, Impact and Feasibility of Population-based Research in Dementia: The Rotterdam Study**

Speaker : **Dr Irfan Ikarm, MD, PhD**
Asst Professor
Dept of Epidemiology of the Erasmus Medical Center
Head of the Neuro-Epidemiology unite of the Rotterdam Study, The Netherlands

Chairperson : Assoc Prof Lim Yee Wei

National Preventive Medicine Grand Round
The Chapter funded the refreshment for the National Preventive Medicine Grand Rounds which were conducted by the Preventive Medicine Residency Program.

The following Grand Rounds were held in 2011:

JANUARY

Date : 13 January 2011
Topic : **Cardiovascular Epidemiology – Coronary Heart Disease**

Chairperson : **Assoc Prof Jeannette Lee**

Date : 20 January 2011
Topic : **Communicable Diseases**
Speakers : **Prof Goh Kee Tai**

FEBRUARY

Date : 10 February 2011
Topic : **Health of the Seniors**
Chairperson : **Asst Prof Gerald Koh**

Date : 17 February 2011
Topic : **Epidemiology and study design – The research basics**
Speakers : **Assoc Prof Koh Woon Puay**

Date : 24 February 2011
Topic : **Considerations of Integrated Health Care**
Speakers : **Prof Chad Boulton, Dr Eugene Shum**

MARCH

Date : 10 March 2011
Topic : **Noise-induced deafness & Hearing Conservation Programme**

Chairperson : **Dr Gan Siok Lin, Mr Tan Kia Tang**

Date : 17 March 2011
Topic : **Health Promotion**
Speakers : **Dr Koh Yang Huang**

Date : 24 March 2011
Topic : **Occupational Health**
Speakers : **Dr Gan Siok Lin**

Date : 31 March 2011
Topic : **Non-Communicable Diseases & National Disease Registries**
Speakers : **Dr Derrick Heng, Dr Chow Khuan Yew**

APRIL

Date : 7 April 2011
Topic : **Occupational Safety and Health Management System, Risk Assessment and Conducting a workplace inspection**

Speakers : **Dr Gan Siok Lin, Dr Sylvia Teo Mr Go Heng Huat**
Chairperson : **Dr Gan Siok Lin, Dr Fong Yuke Tien**

Date : 14 April 2011
Topic : **Breast Cancer**
Speakers : **Dr Alexander Gorny, Dr Ho Li Ling, Dr Sun Cheng Hung, Asst Prof Mikael Hartman**

Chairperson : Assoc Prof Adeline Seow

Date : 21 April 2011
Topic : **Health Services Administration, (B) Health Services Research, (C) Journey across the care continuum**

Speakers : **Dr Jason Cheah, Ms Tan Woan Shin**
Chairperson : **Dr Eugene Shum**

MAY

Date : 12 May 2011
Topic : **Vaccine-preventable diseases**
Speakers : **Dr Tan Xin Quan, Dr Dennis Chia, Dr Benedict Lam, Dr Gary Ang**
Chairperson : Prof Goh Kee Tai

Date : 26 May 2011
Topic : **Workplace Evaluation and Design**
Speakers : **Dr Rajib Ghosh, Dr Sarita Dara, Dr Abraham Mathews**
Chairperson : Dr Richard Tan

JUNE

Date : 9 June 2011
Topic : **Work-related Infectious Diseases**
Speakers : **Dr Alexander Gorny, Dr Louis Tan, Dr Alvin Koh**
Chairperson : Dr Lucy Leong

Date : 23 June 2011
Topic : **Radiation Hazards and Risk Management**
Speakers : **Dr Rajib Ghosh**
Chairperson : Dr Richard Tan

JULY

Date : 14 July 2011
Topic : **National Smoking Control Programme**
Speakers : **Dr Todd On, Dr Olivia Teo, Dr Joshua Wong, Dr Leh Teck Siang**
Chairperson : Dr Koh Yang Huang, Ms Joanne Chandler

Date : 21 July 2011
Topic : **The Hepatitis B story in Singapore**
Speakers : **Prof Goh Kee Tai**

SEPTEMBER

Date : 8 September 2011
Topic : **Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease (COPD)**
Speakers : **Dr Patsy Chow, Dr Adelina Young, Dr Jake Goh, Dr Tan Xin Quan**
Chairperson : Prof Lim Tow Keang

Date : 15 September 2011
Topic : **Integrating workplace safety and health & workplace health promotion**
Speakers : **Dr Sylvia Teo**

OCTOBER

Date : 6 October 2011
Topic : **System-based Practice – Quality in Healthcare Organisation**
Speakers : **Dr Goh Jit Khong Jake, Dr Olivia Teo**
Chairperson : Dr Benjamin Ng, Dr Sun Cheng Hung

Date : 13 October 2011
Topic : **Work-related Musculoskeletal Disorder & Management of a Worker Who is Permanently Disabled as A Result of Work**
Speakers : **Dr Hanley Ho, Dr Raymond Lim, Dr Todd On**
Chairperson : Dr Kenneth Choy

Date : 27 October 2011
Topic : **Research Ethics**
Speakers : **Dr Mona Toh**

NOVEMBER

Date : 3 November 2011
Topic : **System-based Practice – Patient Safety – Do no harm**
Speakers : **Dr Tan Xin Quan, Dr On Todd**
Chairperson : Dr Benjamin Ng, Dr Sun Cheng Hung

Date : 10 November 2011
Topic : **Communicable Disease – Food and Water – Borne Infections**
Speakers : **Dr Adelina Young, Dr Jake Goh, Dr Winston Chin, Ms Atikah Abdul Rahman**
Chairperson : Prof Goh Kee Tai

Date : 24 November 2011
Topic : **Interpersonal and Communication Skills**
Speakers : **A/Prof Wong Mee Lian**

Dinner with Residents

The Chapter hosted a dinner for the Chapter Fellows and the Preventive Medicine Residents on 13 May 2011 at the Alumni Medical Centre.

Chapter Get-together Session

The Chapter organised a get-together session for its Members on 11 October 2011 at Khoo Teck Puat Hospital.

Chapter Fellows were joined by the Preventive Medicine Residents and the Public Health & Occupational Medicine Trainees. Fellows had a great time interacting with the Residents and Trainees at this social event. Through this event, the Chapter aimed to pull the different communities closer.

CHAPTER OF PUBLIC HEALTH & OCCUPATIONAL PHYSICIANS ACHIEVEMENT AWARD

The Chapter conferred its inaugural Achievement Award on Professor Lee Hin Peng at the opening ceremony of the 6th Singapore Public Health & Occupational Medicine on 25 August 2011. During the Fellows' lunch at the conference, Professor Lee Hin Peng delivered an inspiring speech to the Chapter Members and the Preventive Medicine Residents. The award is given to an individual who had made sustained and significant contributions to the field of Public Health and/or Occupational Medicine on both the local and international scene.

CHAPTER OF PUBLIC HEALTH & OCCUPATIONAL PHYSICIANS TRAVEL ASSISTANCE FUND

The Chapter had set up a travel assistance fund to sponsor its Fellows to attend overseas meetings and conferences. Through the participation in these activities, the Chapter aims to: (a) develop ties and collaboration with public health chapters/colleges in other countries; and (b) promote the Chapter's annual Public Health and Occupational Medicine conference. Funding may include registration fee for the meeting, return economy class airfare and accommodation. The full set of guidelines had been out up on the Chapter's webpage.

CHAPTER OF PUBLIC HEALTH & OCCUPATIONAL PHYSICIANS NEWSLETTER

The Chapter published the first issue of newsletter in December 2011. The newsletter provides Fellows with an update of the activities that happens bi-annually. It is also a means to reach out to the Chapter's visitors. The Chapter hopes to publish the newsletter twice yearly.



COLLEGES

COLLEGE OF OPHTHALMOLOGISTS

2ND ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The 2nd Annual General Meeting (AGM) of the College of Ophthalmologists was held on Thursday, 16 June 2011 at 6:30pm at Dunearn Room 1 (Level 1), Raffles Town Club, 1 Plymouth Avenue, Singapore 297753. The meeting was chaired by A/Prof Aung Tin.

2011 - 2012 COUNCIL

The following Council Members were elected to the 2011-2012 Council to manage the affairs of the College:

President	A/Prof Ong Sze Guan
Vice-President	A/Prof Aung Tin
Honorary Secretary	Dr Yip Chee Chew
Honorary Treasurer	Dr Pauline Cheong
Council Members	Prof Wong Tien Yin
	Dr Adrian Koh
	Dr Heng Wee Jin



COUNCIL MEETINGS

The Council met once every quarterly to conduct the business and affairs of the College. At the time of writing the Annual Report, the 2011-2012 Council had met three times.

45th Annual Singapore-Malaysia Congress of Medicine

The College of Ophthalmologists is pleased to have participated in the 45th Annual Singapore-Malaysia Congress of Medicine held from 21-23 July 2011 at Suntec Convention Centre, Singapore.

Professor Wong Tien Yin, Head, Department of Ophthalmology, National University of Singapore and Director of Singapore Eye Research Institute delivered the College of Ophthalmologists' 2nd Lectureship titled "The Singapore Malay Eye Study – Key findings, Public Health Messages and Clinical Implications." In essence, the lecture comprised "reports on the prevalence and causes of vision impairment and major eye diseases, such as diabetic retinopathy, age-related macular degeneration, glaucoma and cataract amongst Malay people." The important epidemiologic findings from the study were deemed pertinent to patient care and would significantly influence clinical practice.

"4th biennial updates on Ophthalmology" symposia

The "4th biennial updates on Ophthalmology" symposia was organised and chaired by Dr Yip Chee Chew, Honorary Secretary. The theme, "Medicine and the Eye", was specially chosen for this event to create a comprehensive program to cater to the Ophthalmologists and the medical colleagues of other sub-specialties. The symposia covered a wide range of topics which included updates on diabetic retinopathy, ocular inflammation in systemic diseases, eye problems in premature infants and children and neuro-ophthalmic emergencies not to be missed.

MEMBERSHIP

The total membership as of 31 December 2011 under the College now stands at 122 Fellows comprising 120 Local Fellows and two Overseas Fellows.

CONTINUING MEDICAL EDUCATION (CME)

National CME Programme

The College continues to administer the National CME programme with the continued support and participation of Changi General Hospital, Khoo Teck Puat Hospital, National Health Group Eye Institute, National University Hospital, National University of Singapore, Singapore National Eye Centre and Tan Tock Seng Hospital, together with the private ophthalmologists. CME sessions are conducted on every Wednesdays comprising Basic Surgical Trainees (BSTs)/Advanced Surgical Trainees (ASTs) teachings and combined CME lectures for all ophthalmologists and trainees.

The Education Committee led by A/Prof Ong Sze Guan and A/Prof Heng Wee Jin, with the assistance from the hospital co-ordinators and subspecialty committees, oversees the National CME programme.

PARTICIPATION IN MINISTRY OF HEALTH'S INITIATIVES

Professional Opinion on Use of Bright Light Therapy (BLT) in Geriatric Delirious Patients

In April 2011, the Ministry of Health, Regulatory Compliance Division through the Academy had requested for professional advice on whether the use of Bright Light Therapy (BLT) in Geriatric Delirious Patients could be accepted as a standard treatment. The College has given the professional advice.

Professional Opinion on treatment received at Beauty Salon

In August 2011, the Ministry of Health, Health Regulation Group through the Academy had requested for professional advice on whether the treatment received at Beauty Salon could be accepted as a standard treatment. The College has given the professional advice.

Professional Opinion on Cataract and Intraocular Surgeries in Medical Clinics

In November 2011, the Ministry of Health, Regulatory Compliance Division through the Academy had requested for professional advice on whether the Cataract and Intraocular Surgeries in Medical Clinics could be accepted as a standard treatment. The College has given the professional advice.

EVENTS/ACTIVITIES IN 2012

The College has plans for the following events/activities to take place in 2012:

Events

1. The XIX International Neuro-Ophthalmology Society Meeting to be held from 15-18 June 2012
2. The 28th Singapore-Malaysia Joint Meeting in Ophthalmology to be held from 15-16 June 2012
3. Hosting the 3rd College Dinner Lecture 2012
4. The APSOPRS (Asia Pacific Society of Ophthalmic Plastic & Reconstructive Surgery) Oculoplastic Congress 2012 in conjunction with the NHG Eye Institute 5th International Ophthalmology Congress to be held from 23-25 August 2012

COLLEGE OF ANAESTHESIOLOGISTS, SINGAPORE

7TH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The 7th Annual Greeting for the College of Anaesthesiologists, Singapore was held on 14 May 2011, Saturday at 1330 hours at Level 2, Temasek Room 3 & 4, Traders Hotel, 1A Cuscaden Road, Singapore 249716.

2011 - 2012 COUNCIL

The office bearers for 2011–2012 Council are:

President	Dr Chong Jin Long
Immediate Past President	Dr Khoo Siew Tuan
President-Elect/ Vice President	Dr Philip Tseng
Honorary Secretary	Dr Sophia Chew
Honorary Treasurer	Dr Lai Fook Onn
Council Members	Dr Agnes Ng Suah Bwee Dr Suelyn Chew Sook Leng



Standing (left to right): Dr Agnes Ng, Dr Sophia Chew and Dr Lai Fook Onn
Seated (left to right): Dr Khoo Siew Tuan, Dr Chong Jin Long and Dr Philip Tseng
Not in photo: Dr Chew Sook Leung

19th General Scientific Meeting of Anaesthesiologists

This meeting was jointly organised by the College of Anaesthesiologists, Singapore and Singapore Society of Anaesthesiologists at the Sheraton Towers Singapore. The theme of the meeting was "Pushing the Anaesthesia Envelope", which focused on the many new challenges anaesthesiologists face in everyday practice and to recognise the increasingly diverse roles that anaesthesiologists play in the hospital setting. The organising chair for the event is A/Prof Kwek Tong Kiat. There were about 300 participants in this event.

Anaesthesia Refresher Course III (15 January and 14 May 2011)

- Held at Tan Tock Seng Hospital, the theme for the workshop was 'Clinical Nutrition'. This event comprised lectures by speakers from TTSH, SGH and NUH speaking on nutrition needs and targets, Parenteral Nutrition vs Enteral Nutrition, Differences of lipids and additives in TPN for ICU patients.
- This workshop was held at Traders Hotel with the theme 'Anaesthesia Revisited'. This event comprised lectures by speakers from the private and public institutions speaking on the uses of sedative drugs and types of sedation. Panel discussions were held by doctors from private and public sectors.

SSA-CAS 19th GSM- Regional Anaesthesia Workshop

This half-day Regional Anaesthesia workshop aims to provide a platform for both the novice and regional Anaesthesia enthusiasts to come together to learn more about the current state of the art in using ultrasound to aid the performance of regional blocks.

CAS News, College of Anaesthesiologists Bulletin

The College published two issues of newsletter in April and December 2010.

The Editorial Committee comprises the following:

Editor:	Dr Phillip Tseng
Committee Members:	Dr Khoo Siew Tuan Dr Chong Jin Long Dr Terence Quah Dr Joyce Goh Dr Victor Chee

COMBINED ANAESTHESIA MEETINGS

The following Combined Anaesthesia Meetings were co-organised with the Singapore Society of Anaesthesiologists in 2011:

Date	Description
30 April	<p>Safety Issues in Anaesthesia Venue: TTSH</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Learning from unsafe procedures Speaker: A/Prof Sophia Ang (KTPH)- When your trusted machine fails Speaker: A.Prof Ong Biauwei Chi (SGH)- Medication safety Speaker: Dr Tai Hwei Yee (TTSH) Chairperson: Dr Khoo Siew Tuan
25 June	<p>Venue: TTSH</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- A parturient with seizure Speakers: Dr John Tippett (KKH)- Acute management of seizures in pregnancy Speakers: Dr Mary Tan (KKH)- Total Intravenous Anaesthesia simplified Speakers: Dr Khalil Shibli (KTPH) Chairpersons: Dr Serene Leo (KKH) Dr Low Tut Choon (KTPH)
3 September	<p>Blood Fluid Therapy - The basis of rational choice Venue: KKH Lecture theatre</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Fluids shifts - In health and in disease Speaker: Dr Ooi E-Lin- Albumin - Beyond what is safe Speaker: Dr Loh Meng Woei- Fluids and blood - what, when and how Speaker: Dr Lee Sumin- Trauma Related Coagulopathy and Treatment options Speaker: Dr Philip Iau Tsau Choong Chairperson: Dr Kenneth Tan
30 October	<p>Venue: TTSH</p> <p>Pituitary Apoplexy - An endocrine Crisis Speakers: Dr Mandy Lim, Dr Chong Chin Ted</p> <p>Pediatric Anaesthesia Speakers: Dr Lee Sumin</p> <p>Dealing with pre-operative anxiety in children Speakers: Dr Olivia Wijeweera Chairpersons: Dr Chong Chin Ted TTSH Dr Shahani Jagdish Menghrai KKH</p>

PROFESSIONAL AFFAIRS

The College presented its views and suggestions to the Ministry of Health on the sedation guidelines. The College set up a task force consisting of doctors from other colleges and came up with recommendations for sedation by non anaesthetists.

COLLEGE OF DENTAL SURGEONS, SINGAPORE

2ND ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The College held its second Annual General Meeting on 2 June 2011 at the Alumni Medical Centre.



2011 – 2012 COUNCIL

President:	Dr Chan Siew Luen
Immediate Past President:	Assoc Prof Yeo Jin Fei
Vice-President:	Dr Benjamin Long
Honorary Secretary:	Dr Bryce Lee
Honorary Treasurer:	Dr Loh Poey Ling
Council Members:	Dr Myra Elliott Dr Foo Mooh Thong Dr Tng Thiam Huat

Chapter Chairpersons

Endodontists:	Dr Johnathan Wee
Oral & Maxillofacial Surgeons:	Dr Victor Fan
Orthodontists:	Dr Hong Yong Huat
Paediatric Dentists:	Dr Rashid Tahir
Periodontists:	Dr Benjamin Tan
Prosthodontists:	Dr Ansgar Cheng
Public Health Dentists:	Dr Hemalatha Nathan



Back row (left to right):
Dr Johnathan Wee, Dr Hong Yong Huat, Dr Tng Thiam Huat,
Dr Benjamin Tan, Dr Victor Fan, Dr Foo Mooh Thong,
Dr Rashid Tahir, Dr Ansgar Cheng

Front row (left to right):
Dr Bryce Lee, Dr Myra Elliott, Dr Loh Poey Ling,
Dr Chan Siew Luen, Dr Hemalatha Nathan, Dr Benjamin Long

Not in photo: A/Prof Yeo Jin Fei

MEMBERSHIP

The total number of Members in the College stood at 231 as at 31 December 2011. There were 210 Local Fellows, seven Overseas Fellows and 14 Ordinary Members.

New Fellows

The following persons were admitted into the Fellowship of the Academy of Medicine, Singapore in the year 2011:

- Dr Goh Siak Shyong (Oral & Maxillofacial Surgery)
- Dr Holy Koh (Dental Public Health)
- Dr Ow Tjin-Chiew Andrew (Oral & Maxillofacial Surgery)

The College would like to take this opportunity to welcome the new Fellows.

CONFIRMATION CEREMONY

The College held its 2nd Conferment Ceremony on 2 June 2011 at the Alumni Medical Centre. The College was privileged to have Professor Tan Kok Chai, Master of the Academy, present the Fellowship certificate and a collar pin bearing the College's logo to its Members. A total of 15 Fellows of the College were conferred.



Group photo taken at the Alumni Medical Centre

VISITING ACADEMICIANS

The College was honoured to have Dr Christian Stohler and Professor Sol Silverman appointed as Visiting Academicians by the Academy of Medicine, Singapore.

Both delivered their lectures on 29 October 2011 at the 25th IADR-SEA Division Annual Scientific Meeting:

- **Dr Christian S. Stohler**

Dean, University of Maryland School of Dentistry
Baltimore College of Dental Surgery

Topic: **Orofacial Pain Research**

- **Dr Sol Silverman**

Professor Emeritus of Oral Medicine
School of Dentistry
University of California, San Francisco

Topic: **Oral Complications of Cancer Treatments (Personalised Oral Cancer Care)**

VISITING LECTURERS

Dr David Felix and Dr Eric Whaites were appointed Visiting Lecturers by the Academy of Medicine, Singapore. They gave the following presentations on 30 October 2011 at the 25th IADR-SEA Division Annual Scientific Meeting:

- **Dr David Felix**

Consultant, Department of Oral Medicine
Glasgow Dental Hospital and School

Topic: **Advances in Oral Medicine**

- **Dr Eric Whaites**

Senior Lecturer/Honorary Consultant
Head of Department
Dental and Maxillofacial Radiological Imaging
Guy's Hospital Dental School, London

Topic: **Recent Advances in Oral & Maxillofacial Radiology**

EVENTS

IOS – CDSS Mid-year Convention

The College, together with the Indian Orthodontic Society (IOS) organised a one-day convention on 13 July 2011. This mid-year convention had been held in various Asian countries such as Macau, Thailand and Hong Kong previously and the College had the honour to host it in Singapore this year. An impressive list of speakers from IOS and the College were invited to deliver lectures on various Orthodontic and related topics. In addition, there was an e-poster competition by post-graduate students who provide the audience with exciting insights into dentistry research and case studies.

25th IADR SEA Division Annual Scientific Meeting and 22nd SAADE Annual Meeting

The College hosted the 25th International Association for Dental Research Southeast Asia (IADR-SEA) Division Annual Scientific Meeting and 22nd Southeast Asia Association for Dental Education (SAADE) Annual Meeting on 29 – 30 October 2011 at Grand Copthorne Waterfront. A pre-congress SAADE Meeting was held at the Faculty of Dentistry on 28 October 2011.

The 25th IADR SEA Division Annual Scientific Meeting and 22nd SAADE Annual Meeting are held annually to allow dental researchers from the Asian regions to meet and exchange research findings and inspiring ideas in the field of Dentistry. A pre-congress SAADE Meeting was held at the Faculty of Dentistry on 28 October 2011.

Several poster presentation and oral communication competition sessions on a broad range of dental research topics were held. There were also plenary lectures, symposia and a workshop conducted by a host of renowned overseas and local speakers.

A gala dinner was held on 29 October where Travel Awards were presented to the winners of IADR/ Unilever Hatton Divisional (Southeast Asia) Award competition. The award money is designed to be spent by the recipient to attend the main IADR meeting that will be held in Brazil in 2012.

The meeting was well attended by almost 400 local and overseas delegates. Most of the delegates came from Asian countries such as Malaysia, Thailand, Indonesia, Vietnam, China, Hong Kong and Taiwan. The meeting also recorded one of the best ever attendance in the annals of the IADR SEA Division Meeting and SAADE Meeting.

PROFESSIONAL OPINION AND FEEDBACK

During the year, the College contributed feedback to the Ministry of Health on:

- Use of “before” and “after” treatment photographs in a medical clinic’s publicity
- Private Hospitals and Medical Clinics (PHMC) Publicity Regulations – Mini dental implants claims
- Usage on the term “Instant braces”

COLLEGE OF OBSTETRICIANS & GYNAECOLOGISTS, SINGAPORE

7TH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The College of Obstetricians & Gynaecologists, Singapore ("the College") Annual General Meeting was held at Level 1, Women's Tower, Lecture Theatre (Training Centre), KK Women's and Children's Hospital, 100 Bukit Timah Road, Singapore 229899 on Friday, 20 May 2011 at 1700 hours.



2011-2012 COUNCIL

President:	Dr Bernard Chern
Immediate Past President:	Dr Lai Fon-Min
Vice President:	Dr Kenneth Kwek
Honorary Secretary:	Dr Sheila Loh
Honorary Treasurer:	Dr Beh Suan Tiong
Council Members:	Dr Jothi Kumar Dr Philip Yam Kwai Lam Dr Yeo Seow Heong George
Co-opted Members:	Dr Ho Tew Hong Dr Khoo Chong Kiat

Section Chairmen

Section of Gynaecological Oncology:	Dr Lisa Wong
Section of Maternal Fetal Medicine:	Dr Arijit Biswas
Section of Reproductive Medicine:	Dr Loh Seong Feei
Section of Urogynaecology:	Dr Han How Chuan



Front Row (left to right):

Dr Jasmine Mohd, Dr Yeo Seow Heong George, Dr Kenneth Kwek, Professor Yves Ville (Guest Speaker), Dr Bernard Chern, Dr Lai Fon-Min, Dr Ho Tew Hong.

Back Row (left to right):

Dr Jothi Kumar, Dr Sheila Loh, Dr Arijit Biswas, Dr Khoo Chong Kiat, Dr Philip Yam, Dr Han How Chuan

Absent with Apologies:

Dr Loh Siong Feei, Dr Lisa Wong

MEMBERSHIP

The total number of members in the college stood at 225 as at 31st December 2011. There are 213 Local Fellows, 11 Overseas Fellows and one Honorary Fellow.

ACTIVITIES

Lectures and Symposium

Event Title: **Minisymposia on Thrombosis And Pregnancy**
Co-organised with Chapter of Haematologist, College of Physicians, Singapore
Date: 12 – 13 January 2011
Speaker: HMDP Expert Prof Ian Greer
Executive Pro-Vice-Chancellor
Faculty of Health & Life Sciences
University of Liverpool

Event Title: **Learning Initiatives for Fertility Experts (LIFE) Assisted Reproductive Technology (ART) Nurse Certification Course (Module 1)**
Date: 26 & 28 February 2011
Speakers: Sister Diana Chia
Dr Lim Yun Chin
Dr Sheila Loh
Dr Loh Seong Feei
Dr Suresh Nair
Prof PC Wong
Dr Yu Su Ling

Event Title: **Round Table Discussion – Role of hCG driven LH activity in Ovarian Stimulation**
Date: 28 March 2011
Speaker: Prof Anders Nyboe Anderson
Professor, Copenhagen University

Event Title: **Lecture on Recent Advances in Use of MIS for Benign and Malignant Gynecological Procedures**
Date: 23 August 2011
Speaker: Professor Javier Magrina
Professor of Obstetrics and Gynecology
Mayo Clinic, Scottsdale, AZ

VISITING ACADEMICIAN LECTURE

Visiting Academician: **Prof Tan Seang Lin**
James Edmund Dodds Chair in Obstetrics and Gynaecology;
Professor of Obstetrics and Gynecology
Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology
McGill University, Canada

Lecture Title: **Treatment of Infertility and Fertility Preservation for Cancer and Non-cancer Patients**

Date: 7 May 2011

11TH REGIONAL MRCOG PART II EXAMINATION COURSE

The 11th MRCOG Part II Examination Course was held at KK Women's & Children's Hospital from 20 to 23 January 2011. It was co-organised by the College, the Singapore Representative Committee (RCOG) and the Division of Graduate Medical Studies, National University of Singapore.

The course had a total of 48 participants from various countries such as Singapore, Malaysia, Hong Kong and Myanmar.

The candidates went through a rigorous mock examination course which included attempting the extended matching questions, short answer questions and the Objective Structured Clinical Examination (OSCE) circuit. The examiners from UK, Drs Edmund Neale and Suresh Duthie also gave the participants useful insights on handling the actual examination.

A total of 48 local trainers helped out with the essay marking, skills station session and the OSCE circuits during the course.

7TH INTERNATIONAL SOCIETY OF ULTRASOUND IN OBSTETRICS & GYNAECOLOGY (ISUOG) OUTREACH COURSE IN CONJUNCTION WITH 3RD COLLEGE OF OBSTETRICIANS & GYNAECOLOGISTS, SINGAPORE SCIENTIFIC CONGRESS

This event was hosted together with the ISUOG Teaching and Training Centre, Singapore at Suntec International Convention and Exhibition Centre from 6 to 8 May 2011.

The theme for the event was "Common Borderline Ultrasound Findings – Where An Expert's Opinion Makes A Difference", where the focus was on common borderline ultrasound findings, many of which lack clear clinical information for counselling.

Several internationally renowned experts on ultrasound were invited to give their expert views on issues commonly encountered in the daily clinical practice. There were 243 participants for the congress, of which 136 were local participants and 107 were from overseas. The overseas participants came from various countries such as Australia, Brunei, China, Indonesia, Japan, Malaysia, New Zealand, Philippines and Sri Lanka.

8TH COLLEGE LECTURE AND DINNER

The College held its annual lecture and dinner at Pan Pacific, Singapore on 6 May 2011. There were a total of 20 tables, 200 attendees.

Professor Tan Seang Lin, James Edmund Dodds Chair in Obstetrics and Gynaecology at McGill University, Canada; and the founding Medical Director of Montreal Reproductive Centre was the guest lecturer for the event. He delivered a lecture titled "The Present and Future of IVF" which was well-received by the audience.

At the dinner, Dr Lai Fon-Min, President of the College (2009 - 2011) recorded his appreciation of thanks to the past College Presidents, Professor Ho Tew Hong and Dr Chang Tou Choong, and presented them with the College plaques.

WORLD FERTILITY AWARENESS MONTH, JUNE 2011

The Section of Reproductive Medicine continued to uphold its objective of updating the practicing doctors and healthcare professionals on the key issues affecting the reproductive health and welfare of men and women in Singapore by organising two forums in June.

Specialists and General Practitioners Forum

Theme: **Short Updates on Endocrine Disorders and Fertility**

Date: 25 June 2011

Topics & Speakers: **Update on Insulin Sensitizers for Ovulation Induction**

Dr Yu Su Ling

Long Term Effects of Polycystic Ovary Syndrome

Dr Cho Li Wei

Hyperprolactinemia and Infertility

Dr Yeong Cheng Toh

Treatment of Hypothalamic Anovulation

Dr Kelly Loi

Update on Androgen Deficiency and Male Infertility

Dr Teoh Seng Hin

Chairperson: Dr Shelia Loh

Public Forum

Theme: **How Can Advances in Medical Technologies Help a Couple Start a Family**
Date: 26 June 2011
Topics & Speakers: **Polycystic Ovary – How Does it Affect You and Your Fertility**
Dr Cho Li Wei
How to Optimize Sperm Count and Quality?
Dr Matthew Lau
Understanding Ovulation, Fertility Window and Ovarian Reserves
Dr Yu Su Ling
Endometriosis Fibroids and Cysts - Will it Affect Your Fertility? What Can be Done?
Dr Suresh Nair
Advances in Assisted Reproductive Techniques (Test Tube Baby)
Dr Stephen Chew
Chairperson: Dr Loh Seong Feei

NOMINAL SPONSORSHIP FOR EVENTS

The College was a nominal sponsor for the following events:

Event Title: **3rd Preinvasive Surgical Workshop**
Date: 19 March 2011
Organiser: Division of Gynaecologic Oncology, Department of Obstetrics & Gynaecology
National University Health System

Event Title: **Ultrasound in Gynaecology Symposium - A Morning With An Expert: A/Prof Nicholas Raine-Fenning, University of Nottingham**
Date: 3 April 2011
Organiser: National University Hospital

Event Title: **The 8th & 9th Anatomy of Complications Workshop, Singapore 2011**
Date: 9 – 10 April 2011 (8th Workshop)
20 – 21 August 2011 (9th Workshop)
Organiser: National University Health System, Department of Obstetrics & Gynaecology

PROFESSIONAL AFFAIRS

The College was asked by MOH for their opinions on the following issues:

Guidelines on Cryopreservation of Oocytes

College supports Cryopreservation of Oocytes as a service but with limitations and guidelines as to how this service should be implemented.

Is Water Birth accepted as conventional mainstream medical practice?

Women allocated to immersion in water needed less epidural, spinal or paracervical analgesia. The College's stand was that there was no significant difference in other important clinical outcomes, including duration of labour, operative delivery and perineal trauma.

Abortions links with Breast Cancer

There is no conclusive evidence supporting a causal link between induced abortion and subsequent development of breast cancer.

New Licensing Terms and Conditions (LTCs) required for assisted reproduction (AR) Services

- The College requested MOH to adapt RTAC regulations to the Singapore context. The certifying body can use the same RTAC requirement and auditing process, except that the Australian requirement on senior counsellor, multiple pregnancy rates and donor identity be modified according to MOH guidelines.
- The responsibilities of Clinical Director and Scientific Director should be separated as stipulated in RTAC Code of practice.

COLLEGE OF PAEDIATRICS & CHILD HEALTH, SINGAPORE

7TH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The 7th Annual General Meeting of the College of Paediatrics & Child Health, Singapore was held on 14 May 2011, 4:00 pm in the Pines Room (Upper Level), The Pines, 30 Stevens Road, Singapore 257840.



2011-2012 COUNCIL

The following office-bearers for the year 2011 – 2012 were elected:

President: Dr Ng Chin Yuen Steven
Immediate Past President: Dr Low Kah Tzay
Vice-President: A/Prof Goh Yam Thiam Daniel
Honorary Secretary: A/Prof Chan Kwai Lin Daisy
Honorary Treasurer: A/Prof Aw Nee Chia Hui-Yong Marion Margaret
Council Members:
Dr Liew Woei Kang
Clin A/Prof Victor Samuel Rajadurai
A/Prof Yap Kok Peng Fabian

A/Prof Chan Kwai Lin Daisy will retire at the 8th AGM and is eligible for re-nomination to serve on the Council for a further (last) term until the next (9th) AGM in 2013, after which she must retire from her post but may seek re-election after a lapse of two years in 2015. Dr Low Kah Tzay will be completing his one-year term as Immediate Past President & will retire at the 8th AGM. He will not be eligible for re-nomination.



*(Left to right) A/Prof Marion Aw, A/Prof Fabian Yap, Dr Liew Woei Kang, Dr Steven Ng, A/Prof Daniel Goh & A/Prof Daisy Chan
Absent: Dr Low Kah Tzay & A/Prof Samuel Rajadurai*

MEMBERSHIP

The total membership of the College stands at 180 (as at 31 December 2011).

COUNCIL MEETINGS

The Council met to consider the business and affairs of the College. At the time of writing the Annual Report, the Council held 6 meetings during the year 2011.

INDUCTION COMITIA

The Academy held its Induction Comitia in conjunction with the Opening Ceremony of the 45th Annual Singapore-Malaysia Congress of Medicine on 21 July 2011 at Marina Mandarin Singapore. The following Fellow was admitted under CPCHS: Dr Poon Woei Bing.

CONTINUING MEDICAL EDUCATION

A) The following lectures were organised:

(i) 1 April 2011

'Allergy Prevention from Knowledge to Clinical Practices'

Speaker: Prof Sybille Koletzko
Head of the Division of Paediatric Gastroenterology & Hepatology
Dr. v. Haunersches Kinderspital, Ludwig Maximilians University
Munich, Germany

Chairperson: Dr Low Kah Tzay
President, CPCHS & Neonatologist Paediatrician
Anson International Paediatric & Child Development Clinic, Paragon Medical Centre, Singapore

(ii) 15 April 2011

'Importance of Aggressive Nutrition for Preterm Infants: In Hospital and Post-Discharge' [Co-organised with PSS & SPS]

Speaker: Prof Ekhard E. Ziegler, Professor of Paediatrics, University of Iowa, USA

Chairperson: Dr Steven C Y Ng
Consultant Paediatrician & Neonatologist,
Steven's Baby & Child Clinic
Gleneagles Medical Centre, Singapore

(iii) 26 May 2011

[Co-organised with the Department of Child Development, KKH & Child Guidance Clinic, IMH]

Theme: 'Behavioural/Emotional Problems & Language Delay in Young Children: Assessment & Outcome'

Topic: 'ASEBA Approach to Assessment of Child & Adolescent Psychopathology'

Speaker: Prof Thomas Max Achenbach, Recipient of Angrier Prize for Research in Psychology;
Professor of Psychiatry & Psychology, University of Vermont, Burlington, Vermont, USA

Topic: 'Clinical Applications of the ASEBA for Children Aged 1 ½ to 5 years'

Speaker: Prof Leslie Rescorla, Professor of Psychology & Director, Child Study Institute
Bryn Mawr College, Pennsylvania, USA

Chairperson: A/Prof Daisy K L Chan (Honorary Secretary, CPCHS)



Left to Right: Prof Thomas Achenbach, Prof Leslie Rescorla, Dr Sylvia H T Choo (DCD, KKH), Adj A/Prof Daisy Chan and Adj A/Prof Ooi Yoon Phaik (P.h.D.), CGC, IMH.

(iv) 29 June 2011

Symposium: 'Latest Updates on Constipation, Digestive Discomforts & Role of Prebiotics' [Co-organised with SPS]

Topic: 'Latest Development on the Management of Constipation and Digestive Discomforts in Infancy and Early Childhood'

Speaker: Dr Marc Benninga, Department of Pediatric Gastroenterology and Nutrition
Emma Children's Hospital, Academic Medical Centre, Amsterdam, Netherlands

Topic: 'Role of Unique Prebiotic Mixture (scGOS/lcFOS) in Digestive Discomforts, Gut Health and Immune System Development'

Speaker: Dr Kaouter Ben Amor, Head, Gut Microbiology, Danone Research – Centre for Specialised Nutrition, Singapore

Chairperson: Prof Quak Seng Hock
Head and Senior Consultant, Paediatric Gastroenterology, Hepatology and Liver Transplantation
University Children's Medical Institute, National University Hospital

(v) 25 October 2011

'The Influence of Maternal Nutrition on the Cognitive Function of Infants and Toddlers'

Speaker: Dr Carol L Cheatham, Ph.D.
Developmental Cognitive Neuroscientist & a Member of the Nutrition & Brain Development Team at the University of North Carolina – Chapel Hill Nutrition Research Institute (NRI) on the North Carolina Research Campus, USA

Chairperson: A/Prof Daisy Chan
Senior Consultant, Department of Neonatal & Developmental Medicine
Singapore General Hospital & Visiting Senior Consultant, Department of Child Development
KK Women's & Children's Hospital; Honorary Secretary, CPCHS

(vi) 5 November 2011

Symposium: 'Feeding Intolerance in Young Children - Critical Diagnostic Skills for Effective Recommendation'

Topic: 'Varied Clinical Entities and Presentations of Cow's Milk Allergy'

Speaker: Dr Liew Woei Kang, Consultant Paediatrician
Special Interest in Allergy & Immunology, SBCC Baby & Child Clinic
President, Asthma & Allergy Association

Topic: 'Gastrointestinal Tolerance of Infant Feedings'

Speaker: Dr Larry Williams, Senior Medical Director, Abbott Nutrition
Columbus, Ohio, USA

Chairperson: Dr Steven C Y Ng
President, CPCHS & Consultant Paediatrician and Neonatologist
Steven's Baby & Child Clinic, Gleneagles Medical Centre, Singapore

B) The College organised four Quarterly Combined Paediatric Update sessions:

(i) 19 February 2011

Theme: 'Bronchial Asthma in Children – Current Updates'

Topic: Management of Asthma Exacerbations

Speaker: A/Prof Anne Goh, Head & Senior Consultant of Allergy Service
Department of Paediatrics, KKH, Singapore

Topic: Prevention of Asthma – What is the Evidence?

Speaker: Dr Jenny P L Tang, Consultant Paediatrician, SBCC Baby & Child Clinic - Asthma, Lung, Sleep & Allergy Centre, Gleneagles Medical Centre, Singapore

Topic: Phenotypes of Asthma – Do They Exist?

Speaker: Prof Lee Bee Wah, Consultant Paediatrician and Clinical Paediatric Immunologist & Allergist, NUH & Mount Elizabeth Medical Centre, Singapore

Chairperson: Dr Low Kah Tzay
President, CPCHS and Consultant Paediatrician & Neonatologist
Anson International Paediatric & Child Development Clinic, Paragon Medical Centre, Singapore

(ii) 14 May 2011

Theme: 'Autism Spectrum Disorders (ASD) in Children: Current Updates'

Topic: 'Challenges in the Diagnosis of ASD in Children'

Speaker: Dr Chong Shang Chee, Consultant, Department of Paediatrics, UCMI, NUHS, Singapore

Topic: 'Of ASD & MMR Controversy'

Speaker: A/Prof Lynette Shek, Senior Consultant, Department of Paediatrics, UCMI, NUHS, Singapore

Topic: 'Complimentary Alternative Medicine in ASD'

Speaker: A/Prof Daisy K L Chan, Senior Consultant, Department of Neonatal & Developmental Medicine, SGH & Visiting Senior Consultant Department of Child Development, KKH, Singapore

Chairperson: Dr Low Kah Tzay
President, CPCHS and Consultant Paediatrician & Neonatologist
Anson International Paediatric & Child Development Clinic, Paragon Medical Centre, Singapore

(iii) 30 July 2011

Theme: 'Eating Disorders in Children & Adolescents'

Topic: 'Eating Disorders in Adolescents'

Speaker: Dr Lee Huei Yen, Director, Eating Disorder Programme & Senior Consultant Department of Psychiatry, SGH

Topic: 'Obesity'

Speaker: A/Prof Lee Yung Seng, Senior Consultant, Department of Paediatrics UCMI, NUHS, Singapore.

Topic: 'Management of Failure to Thrive'.

Speaker/Chairperson: A/Prof Marion Aw, Senior Consultant, Department of Paediatrics UCMI, NUHS, Singapore & Honorary Treasurer, CPCHS



'Eating Disorders in Children & Adolescents'
From left to right: Dr Steven Ng, A/Prof Lee Yung Seng and A/Prof Marion Aw

(iv) 12 November 2011

Theme: 'Ethical Perspectives in Paediatrics'

Topic: 'Experience of the Paediatric Palliative Care Team'

Speaker: Dr Chan Mei Yoke, Senior Consultant, Paediatric Haematology/Oncology Department of Paediatric Subspecialties, KKH, Singapore

Topic: 'The Limits of Viability of the Extremely Preterm Neonate'

Speaker: A/Prof Roy Joseph, Senior Consultant, Department of Neonatology, NUHS; Chairman, National Medical Ethics Committee & Chairman of the Clinical Bioethics Committee, Singapore

Topic: 'Medico-Legal Ethics of Paediatric Medicine'

Speaker: Mr Lek Siang Pheng, Partner with Rodyk & Davidson LLP

Chairperson: Dr Steven C Y Ng
President, CPCHS & Consultant Paediatrician and Neonatologist
Steven's Baby & Child Clinic, Gleneagles Medical Centre, Singapore



'Ethical Perspectives in Paediatrics'
Left to right: Dr Steven Ng, Dr Chan Mei Yoke, A/Prof Roy Joseph and Mr Lek Siang Pheng.

6TH COLLEGE OF PAEDIATRICS AND CHILD HEALTH LECTURE

The 6th College of Paediatrics and Child Health, Singapore (CPCHS) Lecture was held on 17 April 2011 at Suntec Singapore International Convention & Exhibition Centre. The 6th College Lecturer was Prof Low Poh Sim (Senior Consultant Paediatrician & Chairman, University Children's Medical Institute, NUHS, Singapore). She delivered a lecture on 'A Walk through the History & Development of Paediatric Neurology in Singapore'. In recognition of the lecture, Prof Low received a plaque and honorarium from the College President, Dr Low Kah Tzay. The well-attended lecture was held in conjunction with the 14th ASEAN Paediatric Congress.



Plaque Presentation Ceremony of the 6th College Lecture.
Prof Low Poh Sim (left) with Dr Low Kah Tzay.

14TH ASEAN PAEDIATRIC CONGRESS

The 14th Asean Paediatric Congress and 3rd Asian Paediatric Otolaryngology Meeting was held at Suntec Convention Centre, Singapore from 15 - 17 April 2011. Jointly organised by CPCHS, Singapore Paediatric Society and Asian Paediatric Otolaryngology Group, under the auspices of the Asean Paediatric Federation and with the participation of Singapore Nurses Association and American Academy of Paediatrics, it attracted more than 1200 participants from 48 countries, including paediatricians, neonatologists, paediatric surgeons, ENT surgeons, residents, nurses, allied health professionals and health administrators. With a congress theme of "Trends, Issues, Priorities in Paediatrics" (TIPs), 18 symposia were held. The five plenary lectures were:

1. "Changing Trends in Global Paediatric Care" by Dr Marion Burton, American Academy of Paediatrics, USA
2. "Nutritional Management of Preterm and Low Birth Weight Infants" by Dr Ekhard E. Ziegler, University of Iowa, USA
3. "Integrated Paediatric Care – The Model for Child Health Delivery of the Future" by Dr Steven Altschuler, The Children's Hospital of Philadelphia, USA
4. "Disseminated BCG Infection – Time to review Universal Vaccination" by Dr Jean-Laurent Casanova, The Rockefeller University, USA
5. "Adolescent Health and Preventive Care" by Dr Jonathan D. Kline, The American Academy of Paediatrics, USA



Young Investigator's Award - Ms Quah Phaik-Ling
(Winner) with A/Prof Henry Tan (APOG Chairman)

The Young Investigator's Award, held on 15 April 2011, was awarded to Ms Quah Phaik-Ling who gave an interesting presentation on "Association between Early Childhood Non-Atopic Wheeze and Innate Cytokine Responses in Cord blood Mononuclear cells to Phytoheameagglutinin (PHA) Mitogen". In keeping with the tradition of past Asean Paediatric Congresses, residents from the Asean countries were invited to participate in an MCQ quiz on 16 April 2011. The eventual winner of the "Resident's Quiz" was Dr Hlaing Chaw Su from Myanmar who walked away with a prize of S\$500. Besides the lectures and symposia, participants were given the opportunity to ride on the Singapore Flyer as part of an exciting social program, followed by an entertaining gala dinner at the Megu Ballroom. Congress participants enjoyed themselves thoroughly, both in the scientific and social programs.

HK COLLEGE OF PAEDIATRICIANS 20TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

In celebration of the 20th Anniversary of HK College of Paediatrics, CPCHS was invited to the following: Welcome Dinner (9 December 2011), Admission of New Fellows, Members Ceremony, Scientific Meeting cum HM Lui Memorial Fund 10th Anniversary Symposium & Celebration Dinner (10 December 2011). Representing the CPCHS, Dr Steven C Y Ng (President) spoke at a Paediatric session of the scientific meeting on 'The Importance of Optimizing Nutritional Status of Preterm Babies'.



Symposium on 'Recent Advances in Paediatrics' held in Hong Kong.



Dr Steven C Y Ng, President of the College (right), with Prof Ng Pak Cheung (President of the Hong Kong College of Paediatrics), exchanging gifts at the Admission Ceremony.

INAUGURAL SINGAPORE PAEDIATRIC & PERINATAL ANNUAL CONGRESS

Together with the Singapore Paediatric Society and Perinatal Society of Singapore, CPCHS will jointly co-organise the Inaugural Singapore Paediatric & Perinatal Annual Congress on 7 July 2012. The congress will be held at the Grand Copthorne Waterfront Hotel Singapore. A scientific programme has been planned. Highlights include the following: SPS Stuart Gan Lecture, plenary lectures, concurrent symposia, Best Oral Poster Award and the 7th CPCHS Lecture. A gala dinner and trade exhibition would be held in conjunction with the Congress.

DISTANCE LEARNING PROGRAMME (DLP)

CPCHS contributed one module under the Distance Learning Programme (DLP):

Intravenous Maintenance Fluid Therapy in Children: What is Appropriate?

The pass rate for each module is 60%. Each doctor is allowed up to two attempts for each module. Two CME points are awarded per module. Members are welcome to participate by visiting the url: <https://www.cpchs.sg/cme.aspx> and logging in through the member login secured area using their individual MCR/DCR numbers and passwords.

INDEPENDENT MEDICAL EXPERT (IME) OPINION

The College received two requests for Independent Medical Expert Opinions in Paediatric Medicine from the Singapore Police Force through the Professional Affairs Department/AMS.

MINISTRY OF HEALTH (MOH) REQUEST

The College provided her professional opinion on 'Genetic Predictive Tests' through the Academy's Professional Department in reply to MOH's request.

MOH TASKFORCE FOR GUIDELINES ON "SEDATION BY NON ANAESTHETISTS"

MOH Singapore sought the opinion of the Academy regarding the use of sedatives by Non-Anaesthesiologists in Medical Clinics. Chairman of the taskforce, Dr Chong Jin Long, had invited the College of Obstetricians & Gynaecologists, College of Paediatrics & Child Health, College of Physicians and College of Surgeons to nominate representatives to the taskforce. Dr Irene L Y Chan (Consultant Paediatrician, iKids Paediatric Practice Pte Ltd, Paragon Medical Centre) and A/Prof Ng Kee Chong (Head & Senior Consultant, Department of Emergency Medicine, KKH) were nominated as representatives of CPCHS.

STAFF REGISTRAR SCHEME (SRS)

• Diploma in Neonatology (DN) Course

Entry interviews were held in 2011 for two intakes.

- a) 2nd Intake, 1 June 2011. Two candidates were enrolled into the course which commenced on 1 July 2011. They are Dr Maria Chona Badillo and Dr Buendia Flynn Monzon, both from the Department of Neonatology, KKH.
- b) 3rd Intake, 4 November 2011. One candidate, Dr Kristine Calinao, Department of Neonatology, KKH was interviewed by a CPCHS-appointed panel comprising Prof Quak Seng Hock (Programme Director, Diploma in Paediatrics & Child Health), Clin A/Prof Victor Samuel Rajadurai (Programme Director, DN Course) and A/Prof Yeo Cheo Lian (Head, Department of Neonatal & Developmental Medicine, SGH).

• Diploma in Paediatrics & Child Health (DPCH) Course

- a) Exit Examination for DPCH 2009 (3rd intake) and 2010 (4th Intake) was held on 28 October 2011, at the Academy's premise for two candidates, Dr Causapin Daniel Panaligan and Dr Simantini Avinash Bhagwat (Department of Emergency Medicine, KKH). The examiners were Prof Quak Seng Hock (NUH) & Prof Tan Cheng Lim (KKH).
- b) Entry Interview 2011 (5th Intake) was conducted on 4 November 2011 at the Academy's premise. One candidate, Dr Joselino Caraos (Department of Emergency Medicine, KKH) was interviewed by a CPCHS appointed panel comprising Prof Quak Seng Hock (Programme Director, DPCH Course), Clin A/Prof Victor Samuel Rajadurai (Programme Director, DN Course) and A/Prof Yeo Cheo Lian (Head, Department of Neonatal & Developmental Medicine, SGH).

• Diploma in Paediatric Cancer Care (DPCC) Course

A new programme initiated by CPCHS and jointly administered with AMS. Entry interviews are conducted every April and October for new intakes in May and November. Each intake spans over a duration of two years. An entry interview for the 2011 first intake (1 May 2011 - 30 April 2013) was conducted on 22 March 2011 at Shangri-la Hotel Singapore. Two candidates, Dr Mariflor Villegas (Department of Paediatrics, NUH) and Dr D Khawn Tawng (Paediatric Haematology, Oncology Division, Department of Paediatrics, KKH) were interviewed by a CPCHS appointed panel comprising A/Prof Quah Thuan Chong (Programme Director, DPCC Course), Adj A/Prof Tan Ah Moy (Head, Paediatric Haematology, Oncology Service) and A/Prof Chan Mei Yoke (Senior Consultant, Paediatric Haematology/Oncology/Department of Paediatric Subspecialties) from KKH, A/Prof Allen E J Yeoh (Senior Consultant, Department of Paediatrics) and Dr Tan Poh-Lin (Senior Consultant, Division of Paediatric Haematology/Oncology/Bone Marrow Transplantation, Department of Paediatrics) from NUHS.

COLLEGE OF PHYSICIANS, SINGAPORE

7th ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING & EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING

The 7th Annual General Meeting of the College of Physicians, Singapore was held on Saturday, 7 May 2011 at 2:00pm at the Lee Kong Chian Boardroom, Academy of Medicine, Level 12 NKF Centre, 81 Kim Keat Road, Singapore 328836.

However, there were only 16 voting members present at the meeting (the presence of not less than 20 voting members at the commencement of business of a general meeting is required to form a quorum, according to Article 68 of the Articles of Association of the College) thus the meeting was adjourned to 21 May 2011, Saturday at the same place at 2:00pm.



2011 - 2012 COUNCIL

After the 7th Annual General Meeting on 21 May 2011, an elected councilors' meeting was held to elect the office-bearers. The office-bearers for the 2011-2012 Council are:

President	Dr Alan Ng Wei Keong
Immediate Past President	Dr Wong Kok Seng
Vice-President	Dr Khoo Kei Siong
Honorary Secretary	Dr Tay Jam Chin
Honorary Treasurer	Dr Lee Lai Heng
Council Members	Dr Chan Kin Ming
	Dr Chionh Siok Bee
	Dr Sum Chee Fang
Ex-Officio	Dr Lim Shih Hui (AMS Council Representative)



2011-2012 COUNCIL

1st row (Left to Right): Dr Ding Yew Yoong, Dr Chionh Siok Bee, Dr Alan Ng Wei Keong (President), Dr Tay Jam Chin (Honorary Secretary), Dr Wong Kok Seng (Immediate Past President)

2nd row (Left to Right): Dr Sum Chee Fang, Dr Chan Choong Meng, Dr Leong Keng Hong, Dr John Abisheganaden, Dr Chan Kin Ming, Dr David Lye Chien Boon, Dr Lim Soo Teik

Not in picture:

Dr Khoo Kei Siong (Vice President), Dr Lee Lai Heng (Honorary Treasurer), Dr Lim Shih Hui, Dr Cynthia Goh, Dr Tan Suat Hoon, Dr Thomas Colleen Kim

CHAIRPERSONS OF CHAPTERS

The following elected Chairmen took office as the Chairpersons of their respective Chapters for 2011-2013:

Chapter of Cardiologists	Dr Lim Soo Teik
Chapter of Dermatologists	Dr Tan Suat Hoon
Chapter of Endocrinologists	Dr Chionh Siok Bee
Chapter of Gastroenterologists	Dr Ooi Choon Jin
Chapter of General Physicians	Dr Colleen Kim Thomas
Chapter of Geriatricians	Dr Ding Yew Yoong
Chapter of Haematologists	Dr Ng Heng Joo
Chapter of Infectious Disease Physicians	Dr David Lye
Chapter of Medical Oncologists	Dr Lim Soon Thye
Chapter of Neurologists	Dr Louis Tan
Chapter of Rehabilitation Physicians	Dr Tjan Soon Yin
Chapter of Renal Physicians	Dr Chan Choong Meng
Chapter of Respiratory Physicians	Dr John Abisheganaden
Chapter of Rheumatologists	Dr Leong Keng Hong

Dr Cynthia Goh took office as the Interim Chairperson of the new Chapter of Palliative Medicine.

MEMBERSHIP

As of 31 December 2011, the College had a total of 696 fellows.

The total membership of 696 comprises:

Cardiologists	115
Dermatologists	72
Endocrinologists	52
Gastroenterologists	78
General Physicians	64
Geriatricians	36
Haematologists	22
Infectious Disease Physicians	17
Medical Oncologists	43
Neurologists	48
Palliative Medicine	3
Rehabilitation Physicians	21
Renal Physicians	40
Respiratory Physicians	56
Rheumatologists	29

The College welcomed a total of 27 new Fellows from 12 different specialties in 2011.

COUNCIL MEETINGS

The Council met once every two months to conduct the business and affairs of the College. At the time of writing the Annual Report, the 2011-2012 Council had met seven times.

MEDICINE REVIEW COURSE 2011

The College held its Medicine Review Course 2011 at the Auditorium of Khoo Teck Puat Hospital, on 17-18 September 2011. The organizing committee, chaired by Dr Lau Tang Ching, included all the College's 15 Chapters to be represented during the Medicine Review Course, with didactic lectures and interactive case studies and discussions. The Review Course was well attended by general practitioners, trainees, medical students and specialists.

8TH CPS LECTURE

This year, the College had the honour of inviting Associate Professor Cynthia Goh, Senior Consultant and Department Head of Palliative Medicine at the National Cancer Centre Singapore, to be the speaker for the 8th College of Physicians Lecture. She delivered the lecture entitled "Palliative care in Singapore – good medicine given with compassion".

21ST SEAH CHENG SIANG MEMORIAL LECTURE

The College also had the privilege to invite Associate Professor Yeoh Khay-Guan from the Department of Medicine, National University of Singapore, to deliver the 21st Seah Cheng Siang Memorial Lecture entitled "Improving Survival Outcomes for Gastric Cancer".

CPS CONFERMENT CEREMONY

The College conferred its Fellowship to Dr Patrick Li, President of the Hong Kong College of Physicians. The ceremony was held in conjunction with the Singapore-Malaysia Congress of Medicine 2011 on Thursday, 21 July 2011.

PROFESSIONAL AFFAIRS

The College provided feedback on and endorsed the following Clinical Practice Guidelines requested by the Ministry of Health:

- i) MOH Clinical Practice Guidelines on Chronic Hepatitis B Infection
- ii) Efficacy of Medical Hair Loss Treatments
- iii) MOH Clinical Practice Guidelines - Management of Drug Overdose and Poisoning
- iv) Proposed Standards for Medisave Accreditation for Screening Colonoscopy
- v) Genetic Predictive Tests
- vi) Laser Hair Rejuvenation Therapy
- vii) Banking of Stem Cells Extracted from Human Umbilical Cord Tissue
- viii) Unconventional Diagnostic Tests
- ix) Depression CPG
- x) Cessation of Smoking
- xi) Blood Donation Services
- xii) List B Aesthetic Procedures
- xiii) List A Aesthetic Procedures

CONTINUING MEDICAL EDUCATION

The Chapters organized/supported the following events:

CME Activities Organised by the Chapters

Chapter of Dermatologists	
7 January 2011	Chapter/NSC Talk - Contact allergy to Acrylates
24 March 2011	Chapter of Dermatologists Update on Nail Disorders Nail disorders made easy - A clinician's approach Surgery for the nail complex
5 May 2011	Chapter/NSC lecture Optimising Psoriasis Management: Getting the most out of guidelines
11 August 2011	Clinical Pathological Conference
13 October 2011	Update on Psychodermatology
19 November 2011	Chapter's Annual Lecture Drug Hypersensitivity: Much Achieved, But Still More To Do
19 November 2011	Symposium on Drug Hypersensitivities and Allergies
Chapter of Endocrinologists	
10 May 2011	Academic Forum on Thyroid Cancer
Chapter of Gastroenterologists	
28-29 July 2011	Medical Total Nutrition Therapy Program
12 October 2011	Inter-Chapter Meeting "Update on treatment of viral hepatitis B/C"
Chapter of Infectious Disease Physicians	
12 October 2011	Inter-Chapter Meeting "Human immunodeficiency virus and viral hepatitis B/C"
Chapter of Haematologists	
15 October 2011	Coagulation Laboratory Assessments in Clinical Practice
Chapter of Neurologists	
21-22 October 2011	13th Singapore Stroke Conference
Chapter of Renal Physicians	
30 July 2011	2 nd Annual Scientific Meeting of the Singapore Society of Nephrology
27 August 2011	5 th Chapter of Renal Physicians' Lecture
Chapter of Rheumatologists	
3 & 17 September 2011	Essential Skills in Rheumatology Training Course 2011

POST GRADUATE COURSE

The Chapter of Palliative Medicine supported the following courses:

- 25th Postgraduate Course in Palliative Medicine held on 13-15 January 2011 with 37 participants
- 26th Postgraduate Course in Palliative Medicine held on 17-19 August 2011 with 36 participants

STAFF REGISTRAR SCHEME (SRS)

A Staff Registrar Scheme (SRS) was implemented in 2007 by the Ministry of Health, Singapore and the Academy of Medicine, Singapore (AMS) to cater to the needs of our public sector healthcare institutions to employ doctors who are not qualified as specialists but who are able to provide a middle level of service equivalent to that provided by a Registrar / Fellow. The SRS will be targeted mainly for doctors with temporary/conditional registration with the Singapore Medical Council (SMC). Such doctors may participate in an SRS training/supervised programme and be awarded a Diploma from AMS upon successful completion of the programme and passing an exit examination to be administered by the appropriate College/Chapter.

To date, the following SRS Programmes have been approved and have commenced:

- Diploma in Infectious Diseases
- Diploma in Geriatric Medicine in Hospital and ILTC (Intermediate and Long-Term Care)
- Diploma in Cardiology
- Diploma in Neurology
- Diploma in Palliative Medicine
- Diploma in Internal Medicine (with focus on Hospital Medicine)
- Diploma in Clinical Haematology (Adult)
- Diploma in Medical Oncology in Hospital
- Diploma in Rehabilitation Medicine
- Diploma in Respiratory Medicine (Clinical and Public Health - TB)

SUBSCRIPTION TO ONLINE JOURNALS

The following online journals were subscribed to and were accessible through the College website:

- i. Clinics in Chest Medicine
- ii. Diabetes Care
- iii. Harrisons Online
- iv. Journal of Clinical Endocrinology and Metabolism

FINANCE OF THE COLLEGE

The main income of the College was from the overall operating grant and sponsorship funds which made up 39 per cent of total income. Separately, major portion of the Income from events was contributed by the profit from Medicine Review Course 2011. Income for events also included sponsorship/trade exhibition funds.

The other source of revenue which made up 27 per cent of total income was the Professional Fee income from the share of course fee under the staff registrar scheme.

COMPANY SECRETARY & AUDITORS OF THE COLLEGE

Rodyk & Davidson LLP was engaged as the Company Secretary to provide corporate secretarial services to the College.

Geetha A & Associates was re-appointed as the auditors for the accounts of the College.

EXECUTIVE SUPPORT OF THE COLLEGE

The College Executive of the College of Physicians, Singapore, Ms Karen Guo resigned in May 2011 and Ms Sharifah Sham took over to provide support to the College.

DONATION RECOGNITIONS

The College would also like to recognise the following initiative by the Chapter of Dermatologists which had spearheaded an effort to increase the Chapter's revenue by encouraging direct and/or personal donations.

In 2011, the College applauds Dr Tan Suat Hoon and Dr Roy Chan for donating \$500 per person to the Chapter of Dermatologists.

CONCLUDING REMARKS

The College and its various Chapters had another eventful year. The Medicine Review Course 2011 remained well attended by specialists, general practitioners and trainees. Attendance by medical students has increased steadily over the years.

Looking ahead, the College will work diligently to achieve its principal activities, which are to advance the art and science of medicine, promote study and research into medical and scientific problems, to sustain and foster postgraduate education and conduct higher professional examinations and to award diplomas.

COLLEGE OF RADIOLOGISTS, SINGAPORE

7th ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The 7th Annual General Meeting of the College of Radiologists was held on Saturday, 7 May 2011 at 1:00pm, Cluny Room, NUSS Guild House, 9 Kent Ridge Drive, Singapore 119241.

2011 - 2012 COUNCIL

The following Council Members were elected to the 2011 - 2012 Council:

President: Dr Anthony Goh
Immediate Past President: Dr Tan Bien Soo
Vice- President: Dr Chua Eu Tiong
Honorary Secretary: A/Prof Tay Kiang Hiong
Treasurer: Dr Lee Kim Shang
Council Members:
Dr Quek Swee Tian
Dr Tchoyoson Lim
Dr Gregory Kaw (Chairman, Chapter of Diagnostic Radiologists)
Dr David Ng (Chairman, Chapter of Nuclear Medicine Physicians)
Dr Lee Khai Mun (Chairman, Chapter of Radiation Oncologists)



2011-2012 COUNCIL

Standing (left to right):

*Dr Tchoyoson Lim (Council Member),
Dr David Ng, (Chairman, Chapter of Nuclear Medicine Physicians),
Dr Gregory Kaw (Chairman, Chapter of Diagnostic Radiology),
Dr Lee Khai Mun (Chairman, Chapter of Radiation Oncologists)*

Seated (left to right):

*Dr Tan Bien Soo (Immediate Past President),
Dr Anthony Goh (President),
Dr Tay Kiang Hiong (Honorary Secretary),
Dr Lee Kim Shang (Honorary Treasurer)*

Absent with apologies:

*Dr Chua Eu Tiong (Vice President),
Dr Quek Swee Tian (Council Member)*

Specialty Chapters

In accordance to the Constitution of the College of Radiologists, Singapore, the specialty chapters are to serve a two-year term. The Committee Members of the three Chapters of the College (2011 – 2012) are as follows:

Chapter of Diagnostic Radiologists

Chairman: Dr Gregory Kaw
Vice-Chairman: Dr Ian Tsou
Hon. Secretary: Dr Kei Pin Lin
Committee Members:
Dr Ong Chiou Li
Dr Andrew Tan
Dr Chong Bee Kiang
Dr Lester Leong

Chapter of Radiation Oncologists

Chairman: Dr Lee Khai Mun
Vice-Chairman: Dr Terence Tan
Hon. Secretary: Dr Lee Kuo Ann
Committee Members:
Dr Fong Kam Weng
Dr Johann Tang E-Hsiung

Chapter of Nuclear Medicine Physicians

Chairman: Dr David Ng
Vice-Chairman: Dr Lai Hee Kit
Hon. Secretary: Dr Winnie Lam Wing Chuen
Committee Members:
Dr Arijit Kumar Padhy
Dr Arvind Kumar Sinha
Dr Saabry Osmany

COUNCIL MEETINGS

The Council met once every two months to conduct the business and affairs of the College. At the time of writing the Annual Report, the 2011-2012 Council had met six times - 16 May 2011, 15 August 2011, 12 September 2011, 15 November 2011, 10 January 2012 and 10 April 2012.

MEMBERSHIP

Admission to the College of Radiologists, Singapore is automatic for all Fellows from the previously called Chapter of Radiologists, upon fulfilling their pledges for the Building Funds including full settlement of the Academy's annual subscription. The total membership of the College as at 31 December 2011 comprises:

Total Fellows: 160

Breakdown of Fellows by specialties:

- Diagnostic Radiologists 120 Fellows
- Nuclear Medicine Physicians 15 Fellows
- Radiation Oncologists 25 Fellows

CONTINUING MEDICAL EDUCATION ACTIVITIES 2011

CME Lectures by Advance Specialist Trainees (AST)

Date	Topic	AST	Moderator
6 Jan	EVAR: What a Radiologist Needs to Know.Fenestrated and Branched EVAR Techniques in Treatment of Complex Aortic Aneurysms	Dr Lim Tze Chwan	Dr Pua Uei, TTSH
17 Feb	Imaging the Oropharynx	Dr Raymond Quah Chung Weih	Dr Teo TH Patrick, NCC
7 Mar	Breast Imaging	Dr Thida Win	Dr Lee Yien Sien, KKH
7 Apr	Computer-Aided Diagnosis in Radiology	Dr Lim Kian Chai	Dr Lionel Cheng, SGH
5 May	MSK	Dr Prakash Ashutosh	Dr Tan Suan Cheng, SGH
2 Jun	Imaging the Lymphoma Patient	Dr Than Naing Tun	Dr Lena Lo, NCC
6 Jul	Malformations of Cortical Development	Dr Khoo Jenn Nee	Dr Tang Phua Hwee, KKH
7 Sep	Approach to Clinical Research	Dr Ankur Patel	Dr Tang Phua Hwee, KKH
6 Oct	Artefacts on US imaging	Dr Too Chow Wei	Ms Ooi Chin Chin, SGH
3 Nov	Journal Review of Use of CT Whole Body for Polytrauma	Dr Lim Wei Yang,Dr Jocelyn Wong	Dr Lester Leong, SGH
1 Dec	Radiological Management of Uterine Fibroids	Dr Teo Wey Chyi, Dr Chou Hong	A/Prof Tan Bien Soo, SGH

National FRCR Part I Didactic Lectures organised by the Chapter of Diagnostic Radiologists

No.	Date	Teachers	Topic
1	5 Jul	Dr Chea Yen Wei	Cardiothoracic & Vascular
2	12 Jul	Dr Chong Leroy	MSK
3	19 Jul	Dr Lynette Teo / Dr Sudhakar C	Body Imaging (Gastrointestinal)
4	26 Jul	Dr Gerald Tan	Body Imaging (Genitourinary, O&G & Breast)
5	2 Aug	Dr Marielle Fortier	Paediatric Imaging
6	16 Aug	Dr Tchoyoson Lim	CNS, Head and Neck
7	20 Sep	Dr Lynette Teo	Emergency chest x-rays
8	27 Sep	Dr Tchoyoson Lim	Emergency CT Brain
9	4 Oct	Prof Wilfred Peh / Dr Niraj Dubey	Emergency Limb and joint trauma
10	11 Oct	Dr Harvey Teo	Emergencies in Paediatric Radiology
11	18 Oct	Dr Gregory Kaw	Emergency CT Chest
12	25 Oct	Dr Andrew Tan	Emergency CT Abdomen
13	1 Nov	Dr PC Mohan	Emergency Spine Trauma
14	22 Nov	Dr H. Rumpel	Nuclear Magnetic Resonance (6.16)
		Mr Y.M. Kwok	Ionising Radiation P1
			Digital Radiology P1: Computers and PACS
15	29 Nov	Dr Subash Kapur	IR P2
		Dr H. Rumpel	Magnetic Resonance Imaging (6.17)
			Magnetic Resonance Imaging (6.17) continued
16	6 Dec	Dr H. Rumpel	Magnetic Resonance Imaging (6.17) continued
		Mr. Y.M. Kwok	DR P2: Digital Detectors
		Dr Subash Kapur	IR P3
17	13 Dec	Dr H. Rumpel	Safety in Magnetic Resonance Imaging (6.18)
		Dr D. Townsend	DR P3: Computerised' Axial Tomography
18	20 Dec	Dr G. Wansaicheong	Ultrasound P1: Introductory physics
			UI P2: Ultrasonic Imaging
			UI P3: Advanced Topics in Ultrasonic Imaging

National FRCR Part IIA Didactic Lectures Organised by the Chapter of Diagnostic Radiologists

Date	Teacher	Topic
5 Jan	Dr Gregory Kaw	1. The chest wall, pleura and diaphragm 2. Chest trauma
	Dr Angeline Poh	Pulmonary infection
12 Jan	Dr Anthony Goh	1. Nuclear medicine in respiratory disease 2. Nuclear medicine in cardiovascular disease
	Dr Kwek Boon Han	Large airway obstruction
19 Jan	Dr Kevin Chen	1. Ischaemic heart disease 2. Cardiomyopathies, cardiac tumours and pericardium
	Dr Tan Ru San	Echocardiography
26 Jan	Dr Lynette Teo	Pulmonary neoplasm
	Dr Goh Poh Sun Dr Daniel Wong	Pulmonary thromboembolism Arterial disease (excluding aorta): diagnosis and intervention
9 Feb	Dr John Huang	1. Congenital heart disease 2. Acquired valvular heart disease
	Dr Manish Taneja	Venous disease: diagnosis and intervention
16 Feb	Dr Ng Yuen Li	The critically ill patient
	Dr Tan Bien Soo A/P Tay Kiang Hiong	Interventional techniques in the thorax The aorta: diagnosis and intervention
23 Feb	Dr Cheah Foong Koon	1. Diffuse pulmonary disease 2. Industrial lung disease
	Dr Michael Lin	The mediastinum
9 Mar	A/P Harvey Teo	Paediatric musculoskeletal Imaging of child abuse
16 Mar	Dr Tang Phua Hwee	Paediatric Chest Paediatric Oncology
30 Mar	Dr Marielle Fortier	Paediatric gastrointestinal Paediatric urogenital
13 April	Prof Wilfred Peh	Overview of imaging techniques in musculoskeletal radiology
	Dr Niraj Dubey	Lower extremity trauma
20 Apr	Dr Andrew Tan	Scintigraphic applications in musculoskeletal radiology
	Dr Png Meng Ai	Metabolic bone diseases
27 Apr	Assoc Prof Thomas Chee	Bone infection
	Dr Ian Tsou	Arthritides
4 May	Dr Raymond Tan	Internal derangements of upper limb joints
	Dr Chandra Mohan	Interventional techniques in musculoskeletal radiology
11 May	Dr Quek Swee Tian	Musculoskeletal tumours
	Dr Lesley Goh	Musculoskeletal soft tissue infection
25 May	Dr Kenneth Sheah	Upper extremity trauma
	Dr Koh Wan Lin	Internal derangements of lower limb joints
1 Jun	Dr Albert Low	Focal liver lesion
8 Jun	Dr Andrew Tan	Pancreas
15 Jun	Dr Kwek Jin Wei	Bile ducts and gallbladder
22 Jun	A/P Tay Kiang Hiong	Abdominal interventional radiology
29 Jun	Dr Austin Htoo	Oesophagus, stomach and small bowel
6 Jul	Dr Michael Clarke	Colon and rectum
	Dr Juliana Ho	Spleen, lymphoma and haematological conditions
13 Jul	Dr Sudhakar V	Radiology of trauma and acute abdomen
	A/P Thng Choon Hua	Generalised liver lesions, cirrhosis and hepatoma
27 Jul	Dr Teo Sze Yiun	Breast imaging 1: Screening and biopsy methods
3 Aug	Dr Llewellyn Sim	Breast imaging 2: Diagnosis & assessment, metastatic patterns
	A/P Thng Choon Hua	Prostate cancer imaging
10 August	A/P Ong Chiou Li	Hysterosalpingography and fertility
	Dr Lam Shu Lin	Gynaecological US
17 Aug	A/P Ong Chiou Li	Obstetric US
24 Aug	Dr Goh Poh Sun	Female pelvic MRI

Date	Teacher	Topic
31 Aug	Dr Gan Yu Unn	Urinary tract and adrenals 1
7 Sep	Dr Richard Lo	Urinary tract and adrenals 2
14 Sep	Dr David Ng	GU tract nuclear imaging
28 Sep	Dr Samuel Ng	Basic trauma, ischaemia and degenerative disease
5 Oct	Dr Francis Hui	Vascular disorders
12 Oct	Dr Chan Ling Ling	Brain tumours
19 Oct	Dr Sitoh YY A/P Tchoyoson Lim	Inflammation and Infections Paediatric neuroradiology
26 Oct	Prof Vincent Chong	Orbit Sinus
2 Nov	A/P James Khoo	ENT
9 Nov	Dr Tan Tiong Yong Dr Winston Lim	Central skull base and temporal bone Spine and spinal cord

OTHER ADHOC CME TALKS

Title: **On-line Electronic Film Reading and Assessment**
Date: 23 March 2011
Venue: NUHS Tower block
Speaker: Prof Vincent Chong (Senior Consultant & Chief, NUH)
Dr Lynette Teo (Consultant, NUH)

Title: **1st Accelerated Partial Breast Irradiation Symposium**
Topic: Brachytherapy for Breast Cancer - A Surgical Perspective, Techniques and Dosimetry
Date: 1 November 2011
Venue: Trader's Hotel
Speaker: Dr Shaik Ahmad, Snr Consultant, NUHS
Dr Johann Tang, Consultant, NCIS

Title: **The Future of Vascular Interventional Radiology**
Date: 18 November 2011
Venue: Tan Tock Seng Hospital
Speaker: Prof Duncan Forbes Ettles, Honorary Clinical Professor in Radiology, Hull Royal Infirmary, UK

15th CONGRESS OF THE ASEAN ASSOCIATION OF RADIOLOGY

Incorporating 20th Annual Scientific Meeting of Singapore Radiological Society and College of Radiologists, Singapore

Theme: Enhancing Radiation Safety in Imaging and Therapy
18 - 21 May 2011

The organising committee presented a programme that facilitated the process of keeping, practicing radiologist, radiographer/radiation therapist and radiological nurse, current in their practice. It also features luminaries in the field of radiation science from ASEAN and the rest of the world. The highlights include focused programmes for technicians and nurses and pre/post congress workshops for hands on training as well as Congress Gala Dinner and Entertainment at Resorts World Sentosa and Universal Studios, Singapore.

WORKSHOPS IN INTERVENTIONAL RADIOLOGY EDUCATION SINGAPORE 2011

Theme: **Update on Interventional Oncology**
Date: Sunday, 24 July 2011
Venue: Department of Diagnostic Radiology, Singapore General Hospital

Speakers: Dr Manish Taneja, Singapore General Hospital
Dr Terence Teo, Singapore General Hospital
Dr Ng Keng Sin, Changi General Hospital
Dr Tan Bien Peng, Tan Tock Seng Hospital
Dr Richard Lo, Singapore General Hospital
Dr Yasuki Arai, National Cancer Centre, Tokyo
Dr Andrew Tan, Changi General Hospital
Dr Mark Burgmans, Singapore General Hospital
Dr Farah Irani, Singapore General Hospital
Dr Yeow Tow Non, Singapore General Hospital
Dr Chun-Ku Chen, Taipei Veterans General Hospital, Taipei
Dr Komgrit Tanisaro, Bangkok Hospital, Bangkok
A/Prof Tay Kiang Hiong, Singapore General Hospital

The one-day program focused on providing an update to all individuals involved in the management of cancer patients. The workshop is all encompassing - from basic techniques to latest advances in interventional therapies. The target audience for the workshop are all physicians and healthcare professionals involved in managing these patients. The program is targeted towards residents, medical students and those

interested in training in interventional oncology in the future. There were separate breakout sessions for nurses and radiographers to provide them with role specific focused information, and a view to future role expansion in this field. The faculty for the program are regional and local experts in the field of Interventional Oncology.

FORUM ON CAREERS IN RADIOLOGY

Date: 16 July 2011
 Venue: Tan Tock Seng Hospital
 Speakers: Dr Winnie Lam Wing Chuen
 Dr Tan Cher Heng
 Dr Khoo – Tan Hoon Seng
 A/Prof Tay Kiang Hiong

The College organised the Forum which was attended by 54 participants comprising final year medical students, house officers and medical officers.

The programme includes short presentations from different specialities to interest Housemen, Medical Officer and Medical Students on:

- Diagnostic Radiology
- Interventional Radiology
- Radiation Oncology
- Nuclear Medicine Radiological Research

Programme directors for the upcoming Diagnostic Radiology Residency Programme Dr Daniel Wong (TTSH), Dr Lynette Teo (NUH) and A/Prof Tay Kiang Hiong (SGH) were also in attendance to answer queries on the upcoming programme. After the presentation, the participants were brought on a tour to the Departments of Diagnostic Radiology and Radiation Oncology.

45th SINGAPORE - MALAYSIA CONGRESS OF MEDICINE, 21 – 23 July 2011

The College organised a symposium on Friday evening as part of the 45th SMCM which was well-attended.

Speakers and topics for this symposium were as follows:

Speakers	Topic
Dr Jane Barrett	Can National Radiotherapy Reorganisation Lead to a better outcome?
Dr Humairah Samad-Cheung	An Overview of Breast Cancer Imaging
Dr Law Chun Key	Temporal Lobe Necrosis Following Radiotherapy for Nasopharyngeal Carcinoma - 30 years of Experience in Combined Clinical Oncology - Neurology Clinic at Queen Elizabeth Hospital, Hong Kong
Dr Yasuaki Arai	Advances of Interventional Radiology in Oncology

THE PHNOM PENH ULTRASOUND WORKSHOP- BACK TO BASICS

Date: 30-31 July 2011
 Venue: Sihanouk Hospital Center of HOPE, Phnom Penh, Vietnam
 Organisers: Sihanouk Hospital Center of HOPE, Department of Imaging & Interventional Radiology,
 The Chinese University of Hong Kong and College of Radiologists, Singapore.

The workshop was jointly organised by the Sihanouk Hospital Center of HOPE, the Department of Imaging & Interventional Radiology, The Chinese University of Hong Kong and the College of Radiologists, Singapore. It was held from 30 to 31 July 2011 at the Sihanouk Hospital Center of HOPE, Phnom Penh, Cambodia.

This workshop was an outreach initiative by our College, targeted at countries where our expertise would benefit the local radiological community. Two fellows from our College were involved in this inaugural course, Dr Tan Bien Soo, as Course Co-Director, and Dr Richard Lo as one of the teaching faculty. It was attended by more than 60 participants. It is envisaged that this course will be held two to three times a year.

NOMINAL SPONSORSHIP

The College was nominal sponsor for the following events:

- Singapore Brachytherapy Symposium 2011: HDR in the 3D Era, 9 -11 March 2011;
- CRS Symposium: On-line electronic film reading & assessment, 23 March 2011;
- 1st Accelerated Partial Breast Irradiation Symposium, 1 November 2011; and
- HMDP Visitor CME Lecture :The Future of Vascular Interventional Radiology, 18 November 2011

PAPER ON THE FEASIBILITY OF DUAL-ACCREDITATION OF DIAGNOSTIC RADIOLOGY AND NUCLEAR MEDICINE SPECIALTIES IN SINGAPORE

The above paper was circulated to College Fellows for comment and feedback in October 2011.

COLLEGE OF SURGEONS, SINGAPORE

7TH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The 7th Annual General Meeting of the College of Surgeons, Singapore was held on Friday, 27 May 2011 at 6.00pm at Lecture Theatre (Level 3) at Gleneagles Hospital, 6A Napier Road, Singapore 258500.



2011-2012 COUNCIL

The following Council Members were elected to the 2011-2012 Council after the 7th Annual General Meeting:

President	Dr Sayampanathan, Sarvaselan R.E
Immediate Past President	A/Prof Low Yin Peng
Vice-President	Dr Ravishankar K Diddapur
Honorary Secretary	A/Prof Vijayan Appasamy
Honorary Treasurer	Dr Bertha Woon
Council Member	Dr Liau Kui Hin

Chairman, Chapter of Cardiothoracic Surgeons	Dr Lim Chong Hee
Chairman, Chapter of General Surgeons	Dr Wong Soong Kuan
Chairman, Chapter of Hand Surgeons	Dr Tay Shian Chao, Vincent
Chairman, Chapter of Neurosurgeons	A/Prof Christopher Ang Beng Ti
Chairman, Chapter of Otorhinolaryngologists	Dr Huang Shoo Chyuan
Chairman, Chapter of Orthopaedic Surgeons	A/Prof Inderjeet Singh Rikhraj
Chairman, Chapter of Paediatric Surgeons	Dr Chui Chan Hon
Chairman, Chapter of Plastic, Reconstructive & Aesthetic Surgeons	Dr Marcus Wong
Chairman, Chapter of Urologists	Prof Kesavan Esuvaranathan



Standing (left to right):

Dr Marcus Wong (Chairman, Chapter of Plastic, Reconstructive & Aesthetic Surgeons), Dr Wong Soong Kuan (Chairman, Chapter of General Surgeons), Dr Huang Shoo Chyuan (Chairman, Chapter of Otorhinolaryngologists), Dr Chui Chan Hon (Chairman, Chapter of Paediatric Surgeons), Dr Lim Chong Hee (Chairman, Chapter of Cardiothoracic), Dr Christopher Ang (Chairman, Chapter of Neurosurgeons), Dr Vincent Tay (Chairman, Chapter of Hand Surgeons)

Seated (left to right):

Dr Vijayan Appasamy (Honorary Secretary), Dr Sayampanathan S.R.E. (President), Dr Low Yin Peng (Immediate Past President), Dr Ravishankar K Diddapur (Vice President)

Not in photo:

Dr Bertha Woon (Honorary Treasurer), Dr Liau Kui Hin (Council Member), Dr Inderjeet Singh Rikhraj (Chairman, Chapter of Orthopaedic Surgeons), Dr Kesavan Esuvaranathan (Chairman, Chapter of Urologists)

BOARD OF SPECIALTY CHAPTERS

The Board of the various Specialty Chapters has been elected into office for a two-year term from 2011-2013 after the 5th Annual General Meeting of the respective Chapters in 2011:

Chapter of Cardiothoracic Surgeons

Chairman:	Dr Lim Chong Hee
Vice-Chairman:	Dr Wong Woon Wai, James
Honorary Secretary:	Dr Lim See Lim
Board Members:	A/Prof Chua Yeow Leng Dr Christie Tan Dr Sim Kwang Wei, Eugene

Chapter of General Surgeons

Chairman:	Dr Wong Soong Kuan
Vice-Chairman:	Dr Ranjiv Sivanandan
Honorary Secretary:	Dr Ho Choon Kiat
Board Members:	Dr Swaminathan Ikshuvanam Dr Stephen Chang Dr Tan Kok Yang (co-opted) Dr Shankar Pasupathy (co-opted) Dr Seow Choon Sheong (co-opted) Dr Jaideep Raj Rao (co-opted)

Chapter of Hand Surgeons

Chairman:	Dr Tay Shian Chao, Vincent
Vice-Chairman:	Dr Andrew Yam
Honorary Secretary:	Dr Tan Puay Ling
Board Members:	Dr Lim Beng Hai Dr Jonathan Lee (co-opted)

Chapter of Neurosurgeons

Chairman:	A/Prof Ang Beng Ti, Christopher
Vice-Chairman:	Dr Tan Kheng Kooi
Honorary Secretary:	Dr Seow Wan Tew
Board Members:	A/Prof Ng Hua Bak, Ivan Dr Tang Kok Kee (co-opted)

Chapter of Orthopaedic Surgeons

Chairman:	A/Prof Inderjeet Singh Rikhraj
Vice-Chairman:	Dr Sathappan SS
Honorary Secretary:	Dr Arjandas Mahadev
Board Members:	Dr Fareed Husain Yusuf Kagda Dr Kevin Lim

Chapter of Otorhinolaryngologists

Chairman: Dr Huang Shouu Chyuan
Vice-Chairman: Dr Yeo Seng Beng
Honorary Secretary: Dr Toh Song Tar
Board Members: Dr Peter Lu
Dr Euan Murugasu
Dr Paul Mok

Chapter of Paediatric Surgeons

Chairman: Dr Chui Chan Hon
Vice-Chairman: Dr Mali Vidyadhar
Honorary Secretary: Dr Low Yee
Board Members: Dr Anette Jacobsen
Dr Ong Lin Yin
Dr Caroline Ong

Chapter of Plastic, Reconstructive & Aesthetic

Chairman: Dr Marcus Wong
Vice-Chairman: Dr Ong Yee Siang
Honorary Secretary: Dr Por Yong Chen
Board Members: Dr Tan Ying Chien
Dr Colin Tham
Dr Karen Sng
Dr Cheong Ee Cherk (co-opted)

Chapter of Urologists

Chairman: Prof Kesavan Esuvaranathan
Vice-Chairman: Dr Sim Hong Gee
Honorary Secretary: Dr Heng Chin Tiong
Board Members: Dr David Consigliere
Dr Ng Foo Cheong (co-opted)
Dr Toh Khai Lee (co-opted)
Dr Chia Sing Joo (co-opted)

MEMBERSHIP

The total membership as of 31 December 2011 under the College now stands at 512 Fellows comprising 486 Local Fellows and 26 Overseas Fellows.

Local and Overseas Fellows are grouped under the Chapters as follows:

Chapter of Cardiothoracic Surgeons	30
Chapter of General Surgeons	172
Chapter of Hand Surgeons	20
Chapter of Neurosurgeons	21
Chapter of Otorhinolaryngologists	66
Chapter of Orthopaedic Surgeons	88
Chapter of Paediatric Surgeons	17
Chapter of Plastic Surgeons	41
Chapter of Urologists	57

COUNCIL MEETINGS

The Council met once every two months to conduct the business and affairs of the College. At the time of writing the Annual Report, the 2011-2012 Council had met four times.

CHAPTER BOARD MEETINGS

At the time of writing the Annual Report, the Board of the various Specialty Chapters have met a total of twelve times.

EVENTS OF CONTINUING MEDICAL EDUCATION *(presented in chronological order)*

Combined Singapore Society for Hand Surgery (SSHS) and the 2nd Chapter of Hand Surgeons Dinner Lecture

The first Combined Dinner Lecture by the Chapter of Hand Surgeons and the Singapore Society for Hand Surgery (SSHS) was held on Monday, 10 January 2011 at the Peach Garden @33. The Chapter was pleased to have invited Dr Marc Garcia-Elias from Institute Kaplan, Hand and Upper Extremity Surgery, Barcelona, Spain to speak on *Evolution of Wrist Instability Surgery: The Long and Winding Road*.

3rd Singapore Vertigo Masterclass

The Chapter of Otorhinolaryngologists organised its 3rd Vertigo Masterclass on Saturday, 19 February 2011 at Traders Hotel, Singapore. The Chapter was privileged to have invited the following experts:

1. Dr Noor Hafizah B Ismail
2. Dr Raymond Ngo
3. Dr Rani Ramason
4. Dr Yeo Seng Beng

The 3rd Masterclass was chaired by Dr Huang Shouu Chyuan and the Organising Chairperson was Dr Yeo Seng Beng. The invited panel offered different perspectives on the management of Vertigo based on their practice. The planned programme was comprehensive and interactive and included a clinical course on the examination of the Vestibular and Ocular Motor System.

Cardiothoracic Surgery Dinner Symposium

The Chapter of Cardiothoracic Surgeons organised a Specialty Dinner Symposium on Monday, 18 April 2011 at the Min Jiang at Goodwood Park Hotel. The Chapter was pleased to invite Dr Robert Dion, Head Department of Cardiac Surgery; Ziekenhuis Oost-Limburg-Genk, Belgium who delivered a talk on "Ischemic Mitral Valve Regurgitation".

Sixth Chapter of Cardiothoracic Dinner Lecture

The Chapter of Cardiothoracic Surgeons organised the Sixth Chapter Dinner Lecture on Monday, 23 May 2011 at Peach Garden. The Chapter was pleased to invite Prof Joseph E. Bavaria, Vice-Chief Director of Cardiothoracic Surgery; Hospital of the University of Pennsylvania who delivered a talk on "Evolution of aortic Surgery, A Peek into the Future".

Exit Examination Preparatory Course 2011 for Advanced Surgical Trainees (ASTs) in General Surgery

The Chapter of General Surgeons organised its 4th Exit Examination Preparatory Course from 29 June to 3 July 2011 for the Advanced Surgical Trainees (ASTs) in General Surgery to aid the ASTs to better prepare their exit examinations. The preparatory course was hosted by Khoo Teck Puat Hospital, National University Hospital, Singapore General Hospital and Tan Tock Seng Hospital. The course comprised interactive lectures, clinical discussions and mock VIVA simulating the actual exit examinations, and covered core modules such as Breast, Endocrine, Upper Gastrointestinal, Vascular, Trauma, Colorectal, Hepato-pancreato-biliary, General Surgery, Head & Neck, Minimally-Invasive Surgery and Emergency Surgery & Critical Care. This year, the course was further refined with defined broad topics assigned to each of the hosting institutions in preparation for the-clinical segment of the Exit Examination so as to offer a varied exposure to the ASTs. The mock VIVA, conducted by the six appointed examiners on 2 July 2011, continued to be the most well received segment in the course.

General Surgeons Dinner Lecture

The Chapter of General Surgeons organised a Dinner Lecture on Tuesday, 19 July 2011, at Pan Pacific Hotel supported by Nestle Nutrition. The Chapter was pleased to invite A/Prof Kenneth Mark, Senior Consultant and Head Department of Surgery, Khoo Teck Puat Hospital who delivered a talk on "Dealing with Nutritional Issues in Complicated Surgical Patients" and Prof Frederick A. Moore, Head of Acute Care Surgery, University of Florida, USA who delivered a talk on "Immunonutrition in High Risk Surgical Patients".

1st Thyroid & Parathyroid Ultrasound Course 2011

The Chapter of Otorhinolaryngologists, together with the Department of Otorhinolaryngology, Tan Tock Seng Hospital, collaborated in organising the 1st Thyroid & Parathyroid Ultrasound Course on 4 September 2011 at Tan Tock Seng Hospital. The aim was to impart practical knowledge and essential information of ultrasound use in the management of thyroid and parathyroid conditions. The participants were ENT surgeons, General surgeons, Endocrinologists, trainees and other clinicians. The Chapter was pleased to have Prof Anil T Ahuja, Department of Imaging & Interventional Radiology, Chinese University of Hong Kong as the invited expert faculty. The course was well attended and the Organising Chairperson was Dr Jeevendra Kanagalingam, from TTSH.

The Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between the Chapter of Hand Surgeons and SSHS was signed at this event to signify a formal and closer collaboration between the two bodies.

Chapter of Plastic, Reconstructive and Aesthetic CME Lecture

The Chapter of Plastic, Reconstructive and Aesthetic organised CME Lectures on 8 September and 14 November. Both events were held at Tan Tock Seng Hospital.

1st Hand & Wrist Arthroplasty Course & Cadaveric Workshop

The Chapter of Hand Surgeons, together with the Department of Orthopaedic Surgery, Hand & Micro Surgery Section, Tan Tock Seng Hospital organised the 1st Hand & Wrist Arthroplasty Course & Cadaveric Workshop from 22-23 September 2011 at Tan Tock Seng Hospital. The course was well attended and was a great success.

3rd Chapter Dinner Lecture

The Chapter of Hand Surgeons organised its 3rd Chapter Dinner Lecture on 22 September 2011 at Tanglin Club in conjunction with the 1st Hand & Wrist Arthroplasty Course & Cadaveric Workshop Course Dinner. The Chapter was pleased to invite Dr Amit Gupta, Louisville Arm & Hand, to deliver the lecture on 'The Leonardo Code in the Hand'.

Urologists Surgeons Dinner Lecture

The Chapter of Urologists organised a specialty dinner lecture on 21 October 2011 at Sheraton Towers. The Chapter was pleased to invite Dr Khor Swee Kheng, Medical Manager, Abbott Laboratories to speak on Lucrin in Prostate Cancer. The event was supported by Abbott Laboratories.

General Surgeons Dinner Lecture

The Chapter of General Surgeons organised a Lunch Lecture on 12 November 2011 at Sheraton Towers, Singapore supported by Karl Storz. The Chapter was pleased to invite Prof Gustavo L. Carvalho, Associate Professor of Surgery, Federal University of Pernambuco, School of Medicine, Recife, Barzil to deliver a talk on "Minilaparoscopy - A tale of Success and Simplicity".

EXAMINATIONS

The College organised the following examinations that were led by respective Specialty Chapters:

2011 Exit Examination for Hand Surgery

The Chapter of Hand Surgeons co-organized the Hand Surgery exit examination that was conducted on 26 August 2011 at the NUH, Kent Ridge Wing, Level 3, HRM Clinic. The panel of examiners consisted of:

1. Exam Conveners
 - Dr Tan Ter Chyan (Chapter member, College of Surgeons, Singapore)
2. Chief Examiner – A/Prof Agnes Tan (Chapter of Hand Surgeons)
3. External Examiner – Prof D. A. McGrouther (United Kingdom)

4. Examiners
 - Prof Robert Pho
 - A/Prof Lim Beng Hai (Immediate Past Chairman, Chapter of Hand Surgeons)
 - Dr Winston Chew
 - Dr Yong Fok Chuan (Chapter of Hand Surgeons)
5. Observer – Dr Andrew Yam (Chapter member, College of Surgeons, Singapore)

The clinical examination was facilitated by Dr Sreedhavan, Dr Chee Kin Ghee, Dr Foo Tun Lin and Dr Chong Chew Wei who assisted in the exam organisation. The Chapter also organised the MCQ component.

Two candidates are Dr Tan Siau Woon Jacqueline and Dr Yeo Chong Jin (both from Singapore). Dr Tan Siau Woon Jacqueline had scored a pass in this diet of the exit examination.

COLLEGE OF SURGEONS DINNER 2011

The 6th College Dinner was held on 9 November 2011 at The Raffles Hotel, Singapore. The dinner was attended by 100 participants comprising College members and invited guests. The College hosted the Named Lectureships – the 6th College of Surgeons and the 16th Yahya Cohen Memorial Lecture. The College dinner, supported by surgeons from the different surgical disciplines, provided for a pleasant evening of camaraderie and networking. The College of Surgeons Gold Medal 2011 for the best performing Advanced Surgical Trainees was also given out at the dinner. The Master-of-Ceremony was A/Prof Siow Jin Keat.

6TH COLLEGE OF SURGEONS LECTURESHIP

The College was honoured to have Prof Foo Keong Tatt, a renowned surgeon with a passion for teaching, as its prestigious 6th College of Surgeons Lecturer. He delivered a thought-provoking lecture on “The Philosophy of Balance: The Art of Healing” on 9 November 2011 at the College of Surgeons Dinner 2011 held at The Raffles Hotel, Singapore. Prof Foo Keong Tatt, honoured as the 6th College of Surgeons Lecturer, received a College gold medal and certificate. This lectureship was chaired by Dr Wong Soong Kuan, Chairman of Chapter of General Surgeons.

16TH YAHYA COHEN MEMORIAL LECTURESHIP

The College awarded the 16th Yahya Cohen Memorial Lecture Award to Dr Gerald Tan Yau Min (Chapter of Urologists) for his paper entitled “*Optimizing Vesicourethral Anastomosis Healing After Robot-Assisted Laparoscopic Radical Prostatectomy: Lessons Learned from Three Techniques in 1900 Patients*”. The presentation of the winning paper and the award ceremony took place at the College of Surgeons Dinner 2011 held on 9 November 2011 at The Raffles Hotel, Singapore and was chaired by Prof E Kesavan, Chairman of the Chapter of Urologists. Dr Gerald Tan Yau Min, as the 16th Yahya Cohen Memorial Lecturer, received a College gold medal and certificate. The co-authors of the winning paper for the 16th Yahya Cohen Memorial Lectureship also received a certificate of recognition each.

COLLEGE OF SURGEONS GOLD MEDAL AWARD 2011

In recognition of the best performing Advanced Surgical Trainees (ASTs) in the surgical specialties, as well to encourage the ASTs to excel in their exit examinations, the College of Surgeons has established the College of Surgeons Gold Medal as an annual award. The College of Surgeons Gold Medal for 2011 was awarded to the following ASTs at the College of Surgeons Dinner 2011 on 9 November 2011:

Specialty	Award Recipient
Cardiothoracic Surgery	Dr Hardip Singh s/o Nagindar Singh
General Surgery	Dr Sim Hsien Lin
Otorhinolaryngology	Dr Dawn Teo Tju Wei
Orthopaedic Surgery	Dr Gурpal Singh
Paediatric Surgery	Dr Loh Hong Pheng Amos
Plastic Surgery	Dr Mohamed Zulfikar Rasheed
Urology	Dr Lincoln Tan Guan Lim

Award recipients were nominated by their respective Chairman of the Specialist Training Committee of the relevant specialty.

COLLEGE OF SURGEONS TRAVELLING FELLOWSHIP

The College awarded the College of Surgeons Travelling Fellowship for the Year 2011 to the following Council Members who attended meetings/events representing the College:

Meeting / Conference	Dates (2011)	Venue	Award Recipient
80 th Annual Scientific Congress of the Royal Australasian College of Surgeons	2-6 May	Adelaide, Australia	Dr I Swaminathan (on behalf of President)
18 th Asian Congress of Surgery & 37 th Midyear Convention of the Philippine College of Surgeons	12-14 May	Cebu City, Philippines	A/Prof Low Yin Peng
36 th Annual Scientific Meeting of the Royal College of Surgeons of Thailand	14-17 July	Pattaya, Thailand	Dr Sayampanathan
Annual Scientific Meeting of College of Surgeons, Academy of Medicine of Malaysia	19-22 May	Kuching, Sarawak	Dr Liao Kui Hin
97 th Annual Clinical Congress of the American College of Surgeons	23-27 October	San Francisco, USA	Dr Ravishankar K Diddapur (on behalf of President)

ENDORSEMENT OF EVENTS

The College and its Chapters endorsed the following events in Year 2011:

Event	Date (2011)	Venue	Organiser(s)
GP Symposium on "Allergic Rhinitis"	19 February	The Regent, Singapore	Chapter of Otorhinolaryngologists
GP Symposium on "The Allergic March – Can we prevent asthma and allergies?"	5 May	Shangri-La Hotel	Chapter of Otorhinolaryngologists

STAFF REGISTRAR SCHEME (SRS)

Following the Ministry of Health's (MOH's) paper in early 2007 on introducing the Staff Registrar Scheme, a structured diploma programme with on-the-job training (as previously proposed by the Academy of Medicine 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 following Specialty Chapters under the College have implemented the Scheme:

1. Chapter of Cardiothoracic Surgeons rolled out its SRS programme in April 2008. The first intake has successfully passed the final exit examination on 22 October 2011.
2. Chapter of Hand Surgeons rolled out its SRS programme in July 2008. First intake was on November 2011.
3. Chapter of Neurosurgeons rolled out its SRS programme in January 2008. Third intake had commenced in July 2011.
4. Chapter of Orthopaedic Surgeons rolled out its SRS programme in April 2008. First & Second intake is still ongoing.

Candidates successfully completing the SRS Programme will be awarded a Diploma jointly by the Academy of Medicine and the College of Surgeons.

PARTICIPATION IN MOH'S INITIATIVES

Feedback on Credentialing in Laparoscopy

The Chapter of General Surgeons was invited by the Regulatory Compliance Division of MOH in March 2011 to provide feedback on the credentialing in Laparoscopy. The Chapter submitted its reply to MOH through the Academy in April 2011.

Feedback on Proposed Standards for Medisave Accreditation for Screening Colonoscopy

The Chapter of General Surgeons was invited by the Regulatory Compliance Division of MOH in April 2011 to provide feedback on the proposed standards for Medisave accreditation for screening colonoscopy. The Chapter submitted its reply to MOH through the Academy in May 2011.

Feedback on Khan Kinetic Treatment (KKT) and Device

The Chapter of Neurosurgeons was invited by the Regulatory Compliance Division of MOH in April 2011 to provide feedback on the Khan Kinetic Treatment (KTT) and Device. The Chapter submitted its reply to MOH through the Academy in May 2011.

Feedback on Use of Peripheral Blood Stem Cells (PBSC) for the Treatment of Knee Cartilage Ulcers

The Chapter of Orthopaedic Surgeons was invited by the Regulatory Compliance Division of MOH in February 2011 to provide feedback on the use of Peripheral Blood stem Cells (PBSC) for the Treatment of Knee Cartilage Ulcers. The Chapter submitted its reply to MOH through the Academy in March 2011.

Feedback on Use of Biocleanse Anterior Tibialis Tendon (ATT) for Multiple Ligament Knee Injury

The Chapter of Orthopaedic Surgeons was invited by the Regulatory Compliance Division of MOH in March 2011 to provide feedback on the use of Biocleanse Anterior Tibialis Tendon (ATT) for Multiple Ligament Knee Injury. The Chapter submitted its reply to MOH through the Academy in April 2011.

Feedback on the Role of Maggots Therapy in Reducing Amputation

The Chapter of Orthopaedic Surgeons was invited by the Regulatory Compliance Division of MOH in April 2011 to provide feedback on the Role of Maggots Therapy in Reducing Amputation. The Chapter submitted its reply to MOH through the Academy in May 2011.

Feedback on the Role of Complementary and Alternative Medicine (CAM) practitioners

The Chapter of Orthopaedic Surgeons was invited by the Regulatory Compliance Division of MOH in July 2011 to provide feedback on the Role of Complementary and Alternative Medicine (CAM) practitioners. The Chapter submitted its reply to MOH through the Academy in August 2011.

Feedback on the Khan Kinetic Treatment (KKT) and Device

The Chapter of Orthopaedic Surgeons was invited by the Regulatory Compliance Division of MOH in September 2011 to provide feedback on the Khan Kinetic Treatment (KKT) and Device. The Chapter submitted its reply to MOH through the Academy in October 2011.

Feedback on List A Aesthetic Procedures

The Chapter of Otorhinolaryngologists was invited by the Regulatory Compliance Division of MOH in November 2011 to provide feedback on the List A Aesthetic Procedures. The Chapter submitted its reply to MOH through the Academy in late November 2011.

Feedback on the Efficacy of Medical Hair Loss Treatments

The Chapter of Plastic, Reconstructive & Aesthetic Surgeons was invited by the Regulatory Compliance Division of MOH in February 2011 to provide feedback on the Efficacy of Medical Hair Loss Treatments. The Chapter submitted its reply to MOH through the Academy in March 2011.

Feedback on the Opinion on Surgical Skills Relevant to Liposuction Practice

The Chapter of Plastic, Reconstructive & Aesthetic Surgeons was invited by the Regulatory Compliance Division of MOH in March 2011 to provide feedback on the Opinion on Surgical Skills Relevant to Liposuction Practice. The Chapter submitted its reply to MOH through the Academy in April 2011.

Endorsement on the Treatment received at Beauty Salon

The Chapter of Plastic, Reconstructive & Aesthetic Surgeons was invited by the Regulatory Compliance Division of MOH in August 2011 to provide endorsement on the Treatment received at Beauty Salon. The Chapter submitted its reply to MOH through the Academy in September 2011.

Feedback on the List B Aesthetic Procedures

The Chapter of Plastic, Reconstructive & Aesthetic Surgeons was invited by the Regulatory Compliance Division of MOH in October 2011 to provide feedback on the List B Aesthetic Procedures. The Chapter submitted its reply to MOH through the Academy in November 2011.

Feedback on the Consultation by Foreign Medical Doctors

The Chapter of Plastic, Reconstructive & Aesthetic Surgeons was invited by the Regulatory Compliance Division of MOH in November 2011 to provide feedback on the Consultation by Foreign Medical Doctors. The Chapter submitted its reply to MOH through the Academy in December 2011.

Feedback on the List A Aesthetic Procedures

The Chapter of Plastic, Reconstructive & Aesthetic Surgeons was invited by the Regulatory Compliance Division of MOH in November 2011 to provide feedback on the List A Aesthetic Procedures. The Chapter submitted its reply to MOH through the Academy in December 2011.

COLLEGE UPDATE

All Fellows of the College are advised to contact the College Secretariat if there are any changes to their personal particulars especially in their practice or residential address so that the College could continue to maintain contact with all its members. Kindly email changes (if any) to css@ams.edu.sg.

EVENTS/ACTIVITIES IN 2012

The College plans for events/activities in 2012 are as follows:

Events

1. 17th Yahya Cohen Memorial Lectureship and 7th College of Surgeons Lectureship.
2. College of Surgeons Gold Medal Award 2012.
3. The College Dinner will be held on 3 August 2012, Friday at Grand Corpthorne Waterfront Hotel.

Activities

1. Nomination and election exercise for College President Elect.
2. Annual General Meetings of the College and its Specialty Chapters.

Fellows will also be informed of any events/activities planned by their respective Specialty Chapter in due course.

STAFF DIRECTORY (as at 31 December 2011)

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LEE CHIEW MUN, JESAMIN (Ms) Executive, Corporate Secretarial

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Chapter of Pathologists

Chapter of Public Health & Occupational Physicians

SHANITA NADARAJAN (Ms) Senior Officer

College of Paediatrics & Child Health, Singapore

Chapter of Emergency Physicians

Chapter of Psychiatrists

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A/PROF CHEN FUN GEE Co-chairman

TEO PHECK SEE, BETTY (Ms) Manager

CHOA EE ENG, TRISCILIA (Ms) Deputy Manager

General Surgery, Urology, Radiation Oncology

SITI HAWA BTE HASHIM (Ms) Senior Executive

Anaesthesia, Obstetricians & Gynaecology, Infectious Disease

TAN LI WEN, CYNTHIA (Ms) Senior Executive

Paediatric Medicine, Neonatology, Psychiatry

NARINDER KAUR D/O PURAN SINGH (Ms) Executive

Hand Surgery, Rehabilitative Medicine, Respiratory Medicine, Sports Medicine, Cardiothoracic Surgery, Paediatric Surgery

NG SHIZHAO, JAMES Executive

Dermatology, Neurosurgery, Gastroenterology

NG AI LING (Ms) Executive

Internal Medicine, Nuclear Medicine

LEE SIEW HUI, CAROL (Ms) Executive

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HUANG LINGHUA, MICHELLE (Ms) Executive

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GOH MUI LENG (Ms) Executive

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WAYNE LIM JIN AN

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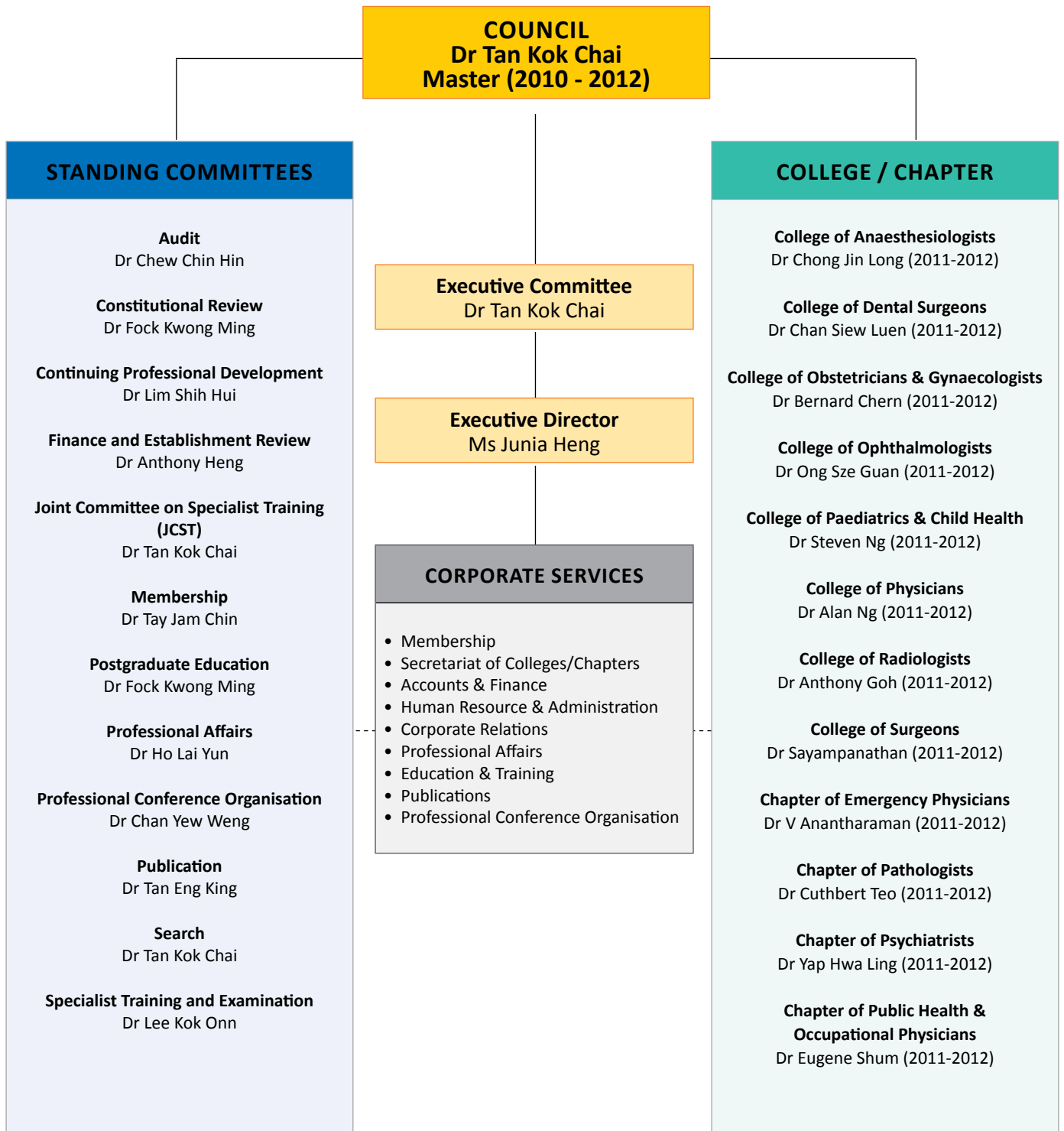
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ORGANISATION CHART



LIST OF PAST MASTERS AND HONORARY FELLOWS

PAST MASTERS

2008-2010	Fock Kwong Ming	1980-1982	Lim Pin
2006-2008	Ho Lai Yun	1978-1980	V K Pillay
2004-2006	Low Cheng Hock	1975-1978	Robert C K Loh
2002-2004	K Satku	1973-1975	Chew Chin Hin
2000-2002	Walter TL Tan	1970-1973	Seah Cheng Siang
1998-2000	Chee Yam Cheng	1968-1970	Yahya Cohen
1995-1998	Tan Ser Kiat	1966-1968	K Shanmugaratnam
1992-1995	Chao Tzee Cheng	1964-1966	Khoo Oon Teik
1990-1992	Raj Nambiar	1961-1964	Gwee Ah Leng
1987-1990	Tan Ngoh Chuan	1960-1961	DWC Gawne
1984-1987	Lawrence K C Chan	1959-1960	C Elaine Field
1982-1984	Chow Khuen Wai	1957-1959	Gordon A Ransome

HONORARY FELLOWS

2011	Dr York Chow	1982	Dr Michael A Gilmour
2007	Dr Oon Chiew Seng	1982	Dr C Elaine Field
2007	Mr Lee Hsien Loong	1981	Emeritus Professor Robert Roaf
2006	Dr Tony Tan	1979	Sir John Crofton
2004	Dr Andrew Chew Guan Khuan	1979	Dr Toh Chin Chye
2003	Mr S R Nathan	1977	Dr Yeoh Ghim Seng
2002	Mr Shaw Vee King	1977	Sir Gordon Arthur Ransome
2000	Dr Lee Seng Gee	1975	Tan Sri Dr Runme Shaw
2000	Dr Ong Teng Cheong	1975	Prof Robert Emil Steiner
1996	Dato Seri Dr Mahathir bin Mohamad	1975	Mr Lee Kuan Yew
1996	Dr Kwa Soon Bee	1975	Prof Sir Ian Hill
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1993	Dr Eugene M Hildreth	1974	Sir Stanley Davidson
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1988	Mr Shaw Vee Meng	1973	Sir Derrick Dunlop
1988	Dr R F Robertson	1970	Sir John Lewthas Frew
1986	Mr Howe Yoon Chong	1970	Sir Kenneth Beeson Noad
1986	Professor David Todd	1969	Sir Alexander Oppenheim
1984	Sir James Fraser	1969	Sir Douglas Miller
1982	Dr Stanley J M Goulston	1967	Lord Brain
1982	Professor Ong Guan Bee		



“Recta Sapere” To Seek And Savour The Truth At All Times

‘Per pale and per chevron Gules and Azure a Chevron cotised between Three Leopards’ faces Or And for the Crest on a Wreath, Or Gules and Azure Two Eagles’ heads addorsed Azure beaked Or and gorged with chaplet of Roses - Gules barbed and seeded in each beak a Poppy slipped and leave proper’.

In the centre of the Shield, the Chevron symbolizes the coming – together of the specialists of medicine under one roof – the Academy. The three leopards represent the territories in the Singapore-Malaysia region. The two Eagles’ heads of the Crest remind us of the privilege we had of using the family Arms of our first Master, Gordon Ransome, in the early years of our existence.

The Poppies denote our common desire to relieve pain.



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