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Seated (left to right):

Dr Ng Beng Yeong (Honorary Secretary, Chapter of Psychiatrists), Dr Lim Shun Ping (Censor), Dr Gilbert S C Chiang (Censor), Dr Ho Lai Yun (Master-Elect), Dr Low Cheng Hock (Master), Dr Fock Kwong Ming (Assistant Master), Dr Christopher Goh (Scribe), Dr Tan Ai Ling (Chairperson, Chapter of Pathologists), Dr Anthony Heng (President, College of Surgeons)

Absent:

Dr George Soh (Bursar), Dr Tan Bien Soo (Assistant Bursar), Dr Tan Kok Chai (Censor-in-Chief), Dr Chen Fun Gee (Censor), Dr Vernon M S Oh (Editor, Annals), Dr Abdul Aziz Bin Mohamed Nather (Censor), Dr Peter Mack (Censor)

28th Annual General Meeting

Notice is hereby given that the 28th Annual General Meeting of the Academy of Medicine, Singapore will be held on Saturday, 27 May 2006 at 2.00pm at the Clinical Research Centre (CRC) Auditorium, MD11, Yong Loo Lin School of Medicine, National University of Singapore.

AGENDA

1. Minutes of the 27th Annual General Meeting held on 28 May 2005.
2. Report of the Council for the period 1 January 2005 to 31 December 2005.
3. Presentation of the Audited Accounts as at 31 December 2005.
4. Election of the 2006-2008 Council.

The following nominations to the 2006-2008 Council have been received and accepted:

Nominee	Proposer	Seconded
Abhilash Balakrishnan	Ho Lai Yun	Christopher Goh
Chan Heng Thye	Edward Pang	Yang Tuck Loong
Chan Yew Weng	Ho Lai Yun	Lim Shih Hui
Chia Sing Joo	Appasamy Vijayan	Heng Chin Tiong
Gilbert Chiang	Chuah Khoo Leong	Yap Wai Ming
Roland Chong	Loh Fun Chee	Goh Teck Chong
Fock Kwong Ming	Ho Lai Yun	Chew Chin Hin
Anthony Heng	Lee Woon Kwang	Mak Koon Hou
Lee Kok Onn	Gilbert Chiang	Ho Lai Yun
George Lim	Chew Chuan Tieh	Tan Poh Lian
Lim Shih Hui	Chee Yam Cheng	Ho Lai Yun
Lim Shun Ping	James W W Wong	Loh Hong Sai
Edward Pang	Tan Tiong Har	Chua Ee Chek
Sayampanathan SRE	Wong Meng Cheong	Foo Chee Liam

As there are only six (6) positions to the 2006-2008 Council, election by postal ballot is being conducted and the duly elected councillors will be announced at the 28th AGM.

5. Appointment of the Master.
6. Appointment of Auditors.
7. Proposed amendments to the Memorandum and Articles of Association.

To consider and, if thought fit, to pass as Special Resolutions the proposed amendments as set out in Appendix I:

THAT subject to the approval of the Minister for Finance, the Comptroller of Income Tax and the Commissioner of Charities, and any amendments they may require or approve, the Memorandum and Articles of Association of the Academy be and are hereby amended in the manner detailed in the attached circular,

THAT authority be and is hereby given to the Council to adopt such amendments to the Memorandum and Articles of Association of the Academy as the Minister for Finance, the Comptroller of Income Tax and the Commissioner of Charities may require or approve, and

THAT the Company Secretary be and is hereby authorised to lodge all necessary documents with the relevant authorities and do all such other acts as may be necessary and incidental to the matters dealt with herein.

8. The Council has received an application from the following thirty (30) Fellows to form a Chapter of Emergency Physicians:

Cham Wai Ming Gregory	Chan Kim Chai	Chong Cher Cheong
Fatimah bte Abdul Lateef	Goh Pak Liang	Goh Siang Hiong
Heng Wei Jian Kenneth	Lee Chun Yue Francis	Lee Wee Yee
Leong Kwok Fai Mark	Lim Ghee Hian	Lim Swee Han
Lim Yong Hwa	Mahadevan Malcolm	Manning Peter George
Ong Eng Hock Marcus	Ong Kim Lian	Ooi Beng Huat Shirley
Ponampalam R	Quek Lit Sin	Seow Eillyne
Sim Tiong Peng	Tan Hock Heng	Tan Wee Ping
Tay Seow Yian	Tham Kum Ying	Tiruchittampalam Mohan
Travers James Peregrine	Venkataraman Anantharaman	Wong Evelyn

To pass the above as a Special Resolution, the House is requested to waive the required six-month notice period as set out in Article 41 of the Memorandum and Articles of Association.

9. Other business, notice of which shall be given in writing to the Scribe at least seven (7) days prior to such Meeting.

Important Note for Members' Attention

The existing Article 91 regarding AMENDMENTS reads as follows:

Amendments to these Articles shall be proposed and seconded by two ordinary members and shall be presented to the Council or proposed by the Council, which shall circulate the full text of the proposed amendments to members at least 21 days before the next Annual General Meeting. Such amendments to become effective must be passed by a majority of three-quarters of members present at the Annual General Meeting, provided that no amendments to these Articles shall become effective without the prior sanction of the Minister of Finance and the Comptroller of Income Tax.

2 May 2006

Dr Christopher Goh

Scribe

Circular to Members in Relation to the Proposed Amendments to the Memorandum and Articles of Association at the 28th AGM held on 27 May 2006

Subject to the approval of the Minister for Finance, the Comptroller of Income Tax and the Commissioner of Charities, and any amendments they may require or approve, the Council of the Academy of Medicine, Singapore would like to resolve as a Special Resolution that the Memorandum and Articles of Association be amended in the following manner:

Academy of Medicine, Singapore - Membership

Article No. 7(b)	
Existing Articles	Proposed Amendments
<p><i>Fellowship shall be open to qualified members of the Dental profession holding a primary qualification registrable with the Singapore Dental Council who</i></p> <p>i) have successfully completed an advanced specialty programme approved by the Academy for purposes of Fellowship admission; or</p> <p>ii) have been practising a specialty for at least five years after full registration of which at least two years must have been in an accredited department after acquiring an entry qualification, or in the case of candidates in approved restricted private practice, at least seven years after full registration, of which at least forty months must have been in approved restricted private practice in a recognized specialty after acquiring an entry qualification for specialist training acceptable to the Academy; and are of good general character and conduct, as testified to by three referees, two of whom must be Fellows of the Academy.</p>	<p><i>Fellowship shall be open to qualified members of the Dental profession holding a primary qualification acceptable to the Academy of Medicine, Singapore who</i></p> <p>i) <i>have successfully completed an approved post-MDS (Singapore) programme or its equivalent that has been approved by the Academy for admission as a Fellow; and</i></p> <p>ii) <i>fulfilled the exit requirements and passed the exit assessment conducted by the Academy; and</i></p> <p>iii) <i>and are of good general character and conduct, as testified to by three referees, two of whom must be Fellows of the Academy.</i></p>
<p>Reasons for amendments, if any</p> <p>This will open up admission to foreign graduates who have degrees not registrable with the Singapore Dental Council but can contribute to our cause. The Royal Australasian and Canadian Dental Colleges accept Fellows who are not registrable with their Dental Council. Changes to criterion (ii) are to institutionalise the exit assessment process.</p>	

Financial Year

Article No. 40	
Existing Articles	Proposed Amendments
<p>Application by Fellows for the formation of a new Chapter must be made to the Council in writing and signed by a minimum of 30 Fellows who will be potential members of the Chapter. Application by Fellows for the formation of new Colleges must be made to the Council in writing and signed by a minimum of 100 Fellows who will be potential members of the College.</p>	<p>Application by Fellows for the formation of a new Chapter must be made to the Council in writing and signed by a minimum of 30 Fellows who will be potential members of the Chapter. Application by Fellows for the formation of new Colleges must be made to the Council in writing and signed by a minimum of 70 Fellows resident in Singapore who will be potential members of the College.</p>
<p>Reasons for amendments, if any</p> <p>Tabled by the Chapter of Psychiatrists</p>	
Article No. 41	
Existing Articles	Proposed Amendments
<p>Such applications must be submitted to Council six months before the next Annual General Meeting.</p>	<p>Such applications must be submitted to Council three months before the next Annual General Meeting.</p>

27th Annual General Meeting

Minutes of the 27th Annual General Meeting of the Academy of Medicine, Singapore held at 2.00pm on Saturday, 28 May 2005 at the Faculty of Dentistry Auditorium (Level 4), National University Hospital, 5 Lower Kent Ridge Road, Singapore 119074.

The following members were present:

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| 1. Abdul Aziz Bin Mohamed Nather | 50. Hoe Ah Leong | 99. See Tho Kai Yin |
| 2. Ang Sze Peng, Brenda | 51. Hoe Nan Yuh, Michael | 100. Sim Song Teck, Roland |
| 3. Asok Kurup | 52. Huang Shouu Chyuan | 101. Sitoh Yih Yio |
| 4. Balakrishnan, Abhilash | 53. Ikshuvanam Swaminathan | 102. Sng Soo Pheow |
| 5. Chan Oi Yoke, Magdalene | 54. Isaac, John Richard | 103. Soh Yi-Wei, George |
| 6. Chan Siew Chee | 55. Kandiah, Satkunanantham | 104. Song, Colin |
| 7. Chan Siew Luen | 56. Keng, Victor | 105. Soo Khee Chee |
| 8. Chan Sing Kit | 57. Khoo Kei Siong | 106. Stanley Ralph Ernest |
| 9. Chan, Tanny | 58. Koh Dow Rhoun | 107. Tan Ban Hock, Billy |
| 10. Chan Weng Hoong | 59. Koong Heng Nung | 108. Tan Bien Soo |
| 11. Chang Wei Chun | 60. Kwek Tong Kiat | 109. Tan Chai Beng |
| 12. Chang Wei Yee | 61. Lau Tang Ching | 110. Tan Chi Chiu |
| 13. Chee Eng Nam, Alexius | 62. Lee Chong Hwa, James | 111. Tan Kok Chai |
| 14. Chen Fun Gee | 63. Lee Huiling | 112. Tan Mak Yong |
| 15. Chen Sze Hua | 64. Lee Keen Whye | 113. Tan Poh Choo, Mona |
| 16. Cheng Shao Lin, Benny | 65. Lee Lai Heng | 114. Tan Soon Kiam |
| 17. Cheng Wai Sam, Christopher | 66. Lee Luisa | 115. Tan Tiong Har |
| 18. Cheong Yeem Yoong, Pauline | 67. Lee Woon Kwang | 116. Tan Yoke Khim |
| 19. Chew Beng Keng | 68. Leong Hoo Kwong | 117. Tay Hua Hui |
| 20. Chew Chin Hin | 69. Li Man Kay | 118. Tay Kah Phuan |
| 21. Chew Khet Kuen | 70. Lien Li Choo | 119. Teoh Tiong Ann |
| 22. Chew Sek Yuen | 71. Lim Choie Cheio, Tchoyoson | 120. Tham Siew Nee |
| 23. Chew Shing Chai | 72. Lim Chong Sian | 121. Tien Sim Leng |
| 24. Chia Sing Joo | 73. Lim, George | 122. Toh Chun Choong, Michael |
| 25. Chiang Shih Chuin, Gilbert | 74. Lim Lum Peng | 123. Tong Heng Nam |
| 26. Ching Kwok Choy | 75. Lim Shih Hui | 124. Tong Hoo Ing |
| 27. Chong Siong Eng, Roland | 76. Lim Tock Han | 125. Tong Ming Chuan |
| 28. Chow Wan Cheng | 77. Lin, Joanna | 126. Tseng Tze Hsing, Jovina |
| 29. Chua Ee Chek | 78. Lou, June | 127. Tsou Yu Yan, Ian |
| 30. Chua Wan Hoi | 79. Low Chee Kwang | 128. Venkataraman, Anantharaman |
| 31. Consigliere, David Terrence | 80. Low Cheng Hock | 129. Pillay, Vettivaloo Kandasamy |
| 32. Cutter, Jeffery Lawrence | 81. Low Yin Peng | 130. Wee Siew Bock |
| 33. Ee Kuang Hock, Bernard | 82. Mack On Pui, Peter | 131. Wong Chee Meng, John |
| 34. Fock Kwong Ming | 83. Murugasu, Euan | 132. Wong Poo Sing |
| 35. Fu Raw Yueh, Esther | 84. Neo Tee Khin | 133. Wong Sen Chow |
| 36. Gangadhara Sundar JK | 85. Ng Keng Yeon | 134. Wong Wai Keong |
| 37. George Paul | 86. Ngim Chin Kong, Raxon | 135. Wong Woon Wai, James |
| 38. Goh H K, Christopher | 87. Ong Chiou Li | 136. Wong Yue Sie |
| 39. Goh Teck Chong | 88. Ong Hock Soo | 137. Wong Sze Tai |
| 40. Gong Ing San | 89. Ong Yong Yau | 138. Woon Fong Choi, Frances |
| 41. Heng Lee Kwang | 90. Pang Chee Ping, Edward | 139. Woon Yng Yng, Bertha |
| 42. Heng Lee Suan | 91. Pang Weng Sun | 140. Yap Chin Kong |
| 43. Heng, Anthony | 92. Pwee Keng Ho | 141. Yap Lip Kee |
| 44. Ho Gay Hui | 93. Quak Seng Hock | 142. Yeo Jin Fei |
| 45. Ho Khok Yu | 94. Rauff, Abu | 143. Yeo Kim Lian |
| 46. Ho Lai Yun | 95. Sae-Lim, Varawan | 144. Yeo Seow Heong, George |
| 47. Ho Pui San | 96. Saw Aik Hin | 145. Yeo Seow Woon |
| 48. Ho Tew Hong | 97. Sayampanathan, Sarvaselan R E | 146. Yip Man Hing, Kevin |
| 49. Ho Yuen | 98. See Chye Heng, Andrew | 147. Yong Wei Sean |

Due to the numerous members who tendered apologies, names would not be listed.

In attendance:

Mr Lee Fook Hong, Company Secretary
(Representing FH Lee Consultants)

Ms Sophia Wong, Chief Administrator,
Academy of Medicine, Singapore

Ms Ho Yen Theng, Finance & Administrative Executive,
Academy of Medicine, Singapore

Mr Cheong Kah Seng, Project Executive,
Academy of Medicine, Singapore

1 PREAMBLE

1.1 The Master, 2004-2005 Council and Chairman, Dr Low Cheng Hock called the meeting to order at 2.00 pm.

1.2 The House observed one minute of silence in memory of the following Fellows who passed away since the last (26th) Annual General Meeting held on 26 June 2004:

- Dr Wee Kim Wee (Past Patron and Honorary Fellow)
- Dr Ling Sing Yew (Chapter of Dental Surgeons)
- Dr Lim Fang Kan (College of Obstetricians & Gynaecologists)
- Dr Vincent Kwok Kian Choo (College of Physicians)
- Dr Khoo Fun Yong (College of Radiologists)
- Dr Ronald George Albuquerque (College of Surgeons)

2 MINUTES OF THE 26th ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING HELD ON 26 JUNE 2004

The House adopted the minutes of the 26th Annual General Meeting held on 26 June 2004, as proposed by Dr Chew Chin Hin and seconded by Dr Yeo Jin Fei.

3 REPORT OF THE COUNCIL FOR THE PERIOD 1 MAY TO 31 DECEMBER 2004

Adoption of the Report of the 2004-2005 Council
Master highlighted that one of the important milestones was the successful incorporation and formation of the six Colleges on 17 August 2004.

The House adopted the Annual Report of the 2004-2005 Council.

4 AUDITED ACCOUNTS AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2004

Dr George Soh, Bursar of the 2004-2005 Council, presented the audited accounts for financial year ended 31 December 2004.

4.1 Amendment to the Financial Statements

The House noted the following amendment on page 62 of the Annual Report 2004: Heading for column two of the table was omitted and should be FRCS/CTS Conjoint Examination.

4.2 Presentations of Accounts and Observations Thereon

The House received from Dr George Soh, a verbal presentation, with the aid of illustrations from slides where appropriate, of the audited accounts of the Academy as at 31 December 2004.

The House heard the following:

- (i) There was a surplus of \$189,192 for financial year ended 31 December 2004 mainly due to
 - income generated from events and levy of secretariat fees from closure of 12 meeting accounts;
 - increased miscellaneous income (the bulk of which is from recovery of doubtful debts i.e. a number of Fellows whose subscriptions were in arrears settled their outstanding dues); and
 - adherence to fiscal policies formulated by the previous Council to contain cost by controlling escalation of staff costs, reviewing costs of carrying out business and implementing prudent cost cutting measures.
- (ii) The revenue dropped as compared to financial year 2003 due to weaning off of the operating grant from MOH to subsidise the running of the specialist training division.
- (iii) There was an actual increase in revenue from members' subscription due to increased membership. However, 25% (pro-rated for 2004) was transferred to the Colleges.
- (iv) Although there is an increase of 5 full-time staff as compared to 2003, staff cost has been contained. Bursar further added that staff salaries are now tied to performance in order to motivate them to perform and increase productivity.
- (v) There is a drop in the fixed asset due to the decrease in the valuation of the Building and Land of 142 Neil Road.
- (vi) The current assets as at 31 December 2004 was close to \$11 million.
- (vii) As separate legal entities, the Colleges assume some financial autonomy. The specialty related specific funds have been transferred under the administration and management of the respective Colleges.
- (viii) Bursar highlighted the receivables from subscriptions. Many Fellows are not paying their annual subscriptions on time. For 2004, there is about \$75,000 yet to be received. On record, there are about 5% of our Fellows who have not paid for more than 3 years and therefore, a provision was made for doubtful debts amounting to \$139,000. As the annual subscription itself is not enough to pay for staff cost, Bursar stressed that Fellows' timely payment of subscriptions is crucial for proper accounting. With Fellows sending in their payment promptly, it would reduce manpower and operating costs in sending reminders to request for payment. Bursar encouraged Fellows who have yet to send in their payment to do so soonest possible.

In response to a query from the audience on the number of staff in the Academy, Dr George Soh replied that there are currently 20 and the number may increase due to the expansion of activities in the Colleges. The member of the floor commented that with that existing number of staff, the average gross salary would be about \$40,000 per annum based on staff cost paid out. Dr George Soh informed that the Finance & Establishment Review Committee will explore on outsourcing, where possible, to reduce costs of CPF Board contributions and other incidentals.

Dr George Soh requested Fellows to consider Academy either as co-sponsor or professional conference organiser in the organisation of conferences.

4.3 Better Ways of Investment

Dr VK Pillay brought up at past AGMs that Academy should look into investing surpluses to yield higher returns. He again raised the issue for Council to explore better ways of investments to yield higher returns from the \$2 million currently placed in fixed deposits. Dr Pillay informed that the interest market has gone up and the Academy could get more returns.

Dr George Soh explained that after last year's AGM, the Council considered Dr Pillay's request very seriously. A Building & Investment (B&I) Subcommittee headed by Dr Fock Kwong Ming under the Finance & Establishment Review Committee was set up to look into the financial implications on a long-term basis. The B&I Subcommittee met Dr Pillay's contacts to listen to the recommendations on investment opportunities based on the risk profile of the Academy.

After careful review, the subcommittee recommended against taking up risks related to the movement of the SGD Swap Offer Rate and SGD Interest Rate Swap (interest rate-linked structured deposits). Bonds and other long-term investment vehicles are also not recommended until the interest rate is stabilized. The House agreed that Academy should not take up any foreign exchange risk and risk related to bonds with callable range.

The subcommittee met with another financial institution to consider another alternative i.e. the 2-month Upside Participating USD/SGD Principal Protected Deposit. One of the main advantages is its short-term tenure with market expectation of further interest rate hikes. In comparison with the current 2-month rate at 1.5% per annum for the fixed deposits that Academy is yielding, Council agreed to give it a start to invest \$1 million under this 2-month protected deposit, which yields lowest and highest interest rates of 0.75% and 6.2% per annum respectively.

With the formation of Colleges, Bursar informed the House that there would be a need to utilize the Building & Endowment Fund for expansion purposes in the near future. In view of this, it may not be

appropriate to commit funds on a long-term basis in bonds without absolute certainty that the funds would not be utilized.

Master, at this juncture, informed the House that the Council is looking into having a bigger and more structured building for expansion. The Academy has written to inform Prof Tan Ser Kiat, Group Chief Executive Officer of Singapore General Hospital of Academy's interest to explore for space in conjunction with the building of a medical hub at the Outram Campus. Master informed that this is still in the preliminary stage of discussion and Academy would need the support from the Ministry of Health for this collaboration.

As the Building & Endowment Funds are fragmented in various fixed deposits, Bursar informed that the Council is currently working on consolidating the funds.

4.4 Subscriptions Transferred to Colleges

Dr Edward Pang raised that the 25% transfer in subscriptions given to the College is too small an amount for Colleges to function. Dr George Soh explained that all staff cost is paid by the Academy main account to support the functions of the Colleges. He encouraged the Colleges to find ways in generating income and build on its reserves. Master will surface this request at one of the Council meetings to come up with an appropriate alternative.

4.5 Adoption of Accounts

The House adopted the audited accounts as at 31 December 2004, as proposed by Dr Yeo Jin Fei and seconded by Dr Low Yin Peng.

Master recorded a vote of thanks to Dr George Soh (Bursar) and Dr Tan Bien Soo (Assistant Bursar) for their hard work in managing the finances of the Academy and for the surplus made in 2004.

5 **ELECTION OF THE 2005-2007 COUNCIL**

The House heard from the Master that:

- (i) in response to the call for nominations to the 2005-2007 Council, the following four (4) nominations had been received prior to closing time and accepted by the 2004-2005 Council:

Nominee	Proposer	Second
Dr Chen Fun Gee	Dr Sophia B L Ang	Dr Ti Lian Kah
Dr Ho Lai Yun	Dr Lim Shih Hui	Dr Low Cheng Hock
Dr George Soh Yi-Wei	Dr K Satku	Dr Tan Bien Soo
Dr George Yeo Seow Heong	Dr Carolyn E L Tan	Dr Tay Eng Hseon

As there are six (6) positions, a second call for nominations for the remaining two (2) vacancies was sent to all Fellows. Prior to the closing time, the

following four nominations to the 2005-2007 Council had been received:

Nominee	Proposer	Seconder
Dr Abdul Aziz Bin Mohamed Nather	Dr V Prem Kumar	Dr Paul Ananth Tambyah
Dr Goh Kong Yong	Dr Lim Tock Han	Dr Heng Wee Jin
Dr Peter Mack On Pui	Dr Wong Wai Keong	Dr Lucien London Ooi
Dr Vincent Yeow Kok Leng	Dr Rachel Pereira	Dr Lee Seng Teik

Dr Vincent Yeow withdrew his candidature. As the number of nominations exceeds the number of remaining vacancies, election by postal ballots was carried out. The two candidates with the highest votes would be elected to the Council.

- (ii) accordingly, the following were declared the duly elected councillors to the 2005-2007 Council:

Dr Chen Fun Gee
 Dr Ho Lai Yun
 Dr George Soh Yi-Wei
 Dr George Yeo Seow Heong
 Dr Abdul Aziz Bin Mohamed Nather
 Dr Peter Mack On Pui

The House congratulated and welcomed the elected councillors.

- (iii) recorded a vote of thanks to all who stood for election and to the retiring Councillors: Dr K Satku (Immediate Past Master) and Dr Yeo Jin Fei (Censor) who had served consecutively for 4 terms.
- (iv) the election for the Master-Elect position will be carried out within one week of this AGM.

6 RE-APPOINTMENT OF AUDITORS

The House agreed to the Bursar's recommendation to re-appoint G.S. Tan & Co. as the auditors for the accounts ending 31 December 2005, as proposed by Dr Abhilash Balakrishnan and seconded by Dr Tan Kok Chai.

7 PROPOSED MAINTENANCE OF CERTIFICATION (MOC) PROGRAMME FOR SPECIALISTS IN SINGAPORE

Master briefed the House that the compulsory CME programme was implemented in 2003. The Singapore Medical Council (SMC) had approached the Academy to propose a detailed framework for the MOC programme. The SMC Committee on Maintenance of Competency has been set up to look into this programme for all medical practitioners. The MOC programme would probably be implemented in January 2007 at the end of the second cycle.

Although SMC would seriously consider Academy's recommendations, Master commented that the final decision on the exact details for the MOC programme lies with SMC. The Academy Education Committee, chaired by Assistant Master Dr Ho Lai Yun, has worked hard for the past half a year to draft the proposed programme. The Committee has done much research to study the methods implemented by overseas colleges. Master emphasised that the progress report on the MOC programme circulated to all Fellows prior to this AGM is still a draft open for discussion and feedback. The recommendations should be reasonable, applicable and attainable by all specialists both in the public and private sectors. Dr Low Cheng Hock urged the profession to work together as a united group in drawing up a system that is achievable and fair to all. Master invited Dr Ho Lai Yun to present the details of the proposed generic programme.

The House received from Dr Ho Lai Yun, a verbal presentation, with the aid of illustrations from slides where appropriate, of the proposed MOC programme. Photocopied handouts of the slides were distributed to members present.

Dr Ho Lai Yun informed that individual Colleges and Chapters under the Academy had held dialogue sessions and received feedback from their Fellows. Dialogue sessions to obtain feedback from the private specialists were also held separately at Mount Elizabeth and Gleneagles Hospitals. Having taken into consideration the feedback received, Dr Ho Lai Yun indicated that the progress report on the proposed MOC programme is the by-product of the last Education Committee meeting. He added that the College of Surgeons, prior to their dialogue session, had subsequently circulated a more specific proposal to their fellows for feedback.

The Academy would prefer to name this programme "Maintenance of Certification" rather than "Maintenance of Competency". The SMC Committee on Maintenance of Competency has yet to convene its first meeting. Therefore, the exact naming of the programme is to be determined at a later stage. The terms of reference for the SMC Committee on Maintenance of Competency are as follows:

- (i) To study what other countries have implemented with regards to maintenance of competency, revalidation/recertification and to recommend to the Medical Council how this could be best achieved in the Singapore context.
- (ii) To draw up a framework for implementation of the recommended policy and a time schedule.
- (iii) To determine the "Performance Assessment Tools/ Instruments" to assess a medical practitioner's performance in the public and private sectors.
- (iv) To recommend to the Council the appropriate actions to be taken for medical practitioners who fail to meet the required standards.

The standard of the MOC programme should be achievable by specialists (i.e. "low" enough for all specialists to achieve without much difficulty) and acceptable to SMC (i.e. "high" enough for SMC to adopt the Academy's proposal). Dr Ho Lai Yun commented that this is the first time that SMC is giving the profession the opportunity to forward recommendations.

The proposed generic framework should be applicable to all the 35 specialties, bearing in mind the objectives set out in the terms of reference for the SMC Committee on Maintenance of Competency.

The proposal was derived after careful study and comparison with the methodology and point systems implemented in other countries. It was drafted with the intention to help our Fellows to meet the goals of MOC as well as obtaining CPD points.

The Academy Education Committee agreed on proposing a total of 250 points over 5 years without any recertification examination. Half of these 250 points should be at least core points. The draft was modified from the existing SMC-CME system already familiar to doctors in Singapore. To make it achievable for everyone to get CPD points, the number of points obtainable from certain categories was increased. New categories and subcategories were created to give Fellows more options to gain points.

Dr Ho Lai Yun highlighted the differences between the current SMC-CME and the proposed CPD-MOC. The current SMC-CME system with CME activities only is a relatively "rigid" CME point system, whereas, the proposed CPD-MOC with both CME and non-CME activities is a more flexible CPD point system. The minimal requirement for the proposed CPD-MOC programme under Category 1 to 4 for core and non-core points was presented to the House. The rest would be optional and non-mandatory.

The first 5-year cycle for the MOC programme cycle is proposed for implementation from 1 January 2007 to 31 December 2011. Fellows admitted to Fellowships of the Academy and College before 1 Jan 2007 may commence data entry for the first 5-year cycle as early as 1 January 2006. Fellows will have up to 6 years to complete the first cycle i.e. 250 CPD points in 5 years or 50 points/year or 250 CPD points in 6 years or ~42 points/year.

For the 250 CPD points in 5/6 years or 50/42 points/year,

- only 25 points/year (or 21 points/year) are required from group CME activities (Category 1A, 1B and/or 1C). CPD points could be obtained even by not attending CME activities;
- the rest, i.e. up to 50% of total CPD points, could be from self study, distance learning, research, teaching, and/or administration;

- one could choose to attend group CME activities to get up to 98% CPD points; and
- 2% (5 points in 5/6 years) must come from CPD activities related to Professionalism.

Comparison was made between the current SMC-CME and the proposed CPD-MOC systems indicated in Annex A.

The core and non-core CPD activities are to be determined by the respective College Council in single specialty Colleges, the Chapter Specialty Board in multi-specialty Colleges and the Chapter Committee in the Academy of Medicine.

Presenting three examples, Dr Ho Lai Yun illustrated on how the 250 points could be obtained.

The Colleges/Chapters could help Fellows to achieve the goals of MOC in the following ways:

- Accredite CPD activities
- Assign such activities as core or non-core for each specialty
- Organize higher quality diagnostic and therapeutic updates
 - o monthly, 2-monthly or quarterly (2 CPD points per 1-2 hour session)
 - o 1-3 days seminars or scientific meetings 6-monthly or yearly (2-12 points)
- Prepare Distance Learning Programme
 - o Upload update presentation onto Academy Website (1 CPD point)
 - o Prepare on-line MCQs (1 CPD point)
- Give and periodically update a list of relevant/good articles for self learning

Dr Ho Lai Yun further illustrated a sample of the Diagnostic and Therapeutic Updates proposed by the Chapter of Neurologists.

The CPD talks organized by the Colleges & Chapters should be clinically relevant to specialists so that more points could be obtained than non-relevant core CMEs (e.g. 2 points instead of 1, if specialists physically attend 1-2 hr talk and 1 point from on-line learning when specialists are physically not able to attend talks). Assessment of knowledge learnt after each talk could be prepared (MCQs) to give the option of getting another CPD point.

With this, Dr Ho Lai Yun ended his presentation. Master invited members of the House to surface their views and concerns arising from the draft for discussion.

A member of the floor sought clarification on the phrase "life-long learning" for Category 4D. Dr Ho Lai Yun explained that based on some feedback received, there were views that it is important to keep a record of what was learnt, studied and done. For the surgeons, it could be a recording of interesting cases done and

not necessarily a detailed account. A few members of the floor asked if Category 4D referred specifically to log book. Dr Ho Lai Yun informed that at the last Education Committee meeting, there were members who affirmed that they have been voluntarily keeping a record of their cases for educational purposes. However, he is also aware that there are members who are not in favour of this logging of cases.

Dr Sarvaselan R E Sayampanathan pointed out to the House that as recorded in the minutes of the College of Surgeons' dialogue session, many Fellows who were present voiced out that they do not wish to include the log book. He further added that the views of the majority were not represented and the surgical representative who attended the 3rd meeting of the Education Committee on MOC expressed the contrary to what was agreed upon during the dialogue session. Another member affirmed that the evidence of what was conveyed by the surgical representative was recorded in an audio tape.

Dr MC Tong sought clarification on the use of the word 'competency' used by SMC. Dr Ho Lai Yun replied that the SMC Committee on MOC has yet to meet and therefore, we will have to wait to hear from SMC. Dr Edward Pang expressed that the Academy Education Committee has agreed to make known to SMC that the Academy prefers the word 'certification' to 'competency'.

In reply to a question on the move to improve the current SMC-CME, Dr Ho Lai Yun said that the current system has completed its first 2-year cycle and the specialists are now into the second cycle. As the existing system may not be adequate and sufficient, SMC has written to the Academy to draft the proposal for the new MOC programme to include other necessary components. Having studied the programmes in other countries, the current system may be inadequate from the professional point of view. A member of the floor further enquired on the rational in modifying the current system when there is already in place an existing CME programme which is flawless.

A member of the floor queried on the inclusion of the log book since it is voluntary and non-mandatory. Master replied that many of the components are optional and non-mandatory. By including them, it would benefit members at large. For example, specialists who voluntarily keep a record of life long learning would have the option to gain points from doing so.

Dr Chew Beng Keng reminded the committee to represent and accept the views of the members. Master reiterated that the log book is only one of the voluntary options for Fellows to gain points. Upon hearing this, a handful of members on the floor replied that they do not wish for the log book to be included in the proposal.

Dr Soo Khee Chee affirmed that the Academy is a professional organisation and the MOC programme is to protect the interests of the public. In view of this, the Academy should set a certain level of standard for the profession and not be self-serving the interests of its members. Dr Soo Khee Chee felt that if the log book is an important component to be included in the MOC, then we should make a decision to do so with the intention to improve the standard for patient care. He further added that this component could be determined by the respective Colleges and Chapters under the Academy as each specialty may have its own needs. Dr Chew Beng Keng agreed with Dr Soo Khee Chee to maintain high standards but he stressed that these standards should not be so high that specialists in the private sector cannot achieve it. Dr Chew Beng Keng strongly expressed that both sectors should be well represented. He informed the House that the private practitioners who attended the dialogue sessions did not agree with the proposal. He then questioned the composition and representation of the Academy Education Committee if there were any members from the private sector. Master announced that there are currently 4 members from the private sector sitting on this Academy Education Committee on MOC, namely, Dr Edward Pang, Dr Lim Shun Ping, Dr Lai Fon Min and Dr Jeffrey Low. Dr Chew Beng Keng requested that more private practitioners are incorporated to sit on the Education Committee to obtain their inputs and views.

A member of the floor commented that the log book recorded during the lifetime of any surgeon does not measure competency as doctors are being continuously assessed by their patients. He further added that the credentialing of any doctor is under the hospital's purview and the hospital has quality control policies implemented. Another member requested to put it to a vote since many are not in favour of the log book.

For a special or ordinary resolution that requires voting, Master informed the House that the general body should be notified 21 or 14 days respectively prior to date of the meeting. However, the member who requested for the vote to be carried out highlighted that it is stated in the agenda of the AGM under any other business that Fellows may give in writing any item to the Scribe at least 7 days prior to the meeting. At this juncture, Master sought the company secretary's advice. Dr Chew Beng Keng, however, opined that this MOC programme is already on the agenda and therefore, any contending issues arising from this subject matter could be put to a vote. Mr FH Lee (company secretary) confirmed that according to the Academy's constitution for special and ordinary resolutions to be passed, the general membership should be given at least 21 and 14 days' notice respectively, and such resolutions intended for adoption should be clearly set out in the agenda for the meeting. One member on the floors pointed out that anything discussed and agreed upon at any AGM should be binding.

Dr Fock Kwong Ming suggested forming a review committee to look at the draft taking into considerations all feedback received. The revised draft could be circulated to all again for a final decision. Dr Fock quoted that such precedence was done when Academy drafted the specialist accreditation system with various groups of members expressing different opinions, however, the final draft was eventually prepared through a few rounds of discussion.

Dr James Wong counter proposed that Academy should write to the Medical Advisory Boards of the various private hospitals to invite them to nominate a representative to sit on this Academy Education Committee so that a balanced view of the whole community is taken into consideration.

At this juncture, a member of the floor raised the petition signed by 23 Fellows to request for a resolution for a vote that a log book (in any form) will not be used for the MOC programme for specialists.

By a show of hands, 81 out of 130 voting members present at this point of the meeting voted in favour to remove Category 4D on life long learning (record of cases for education) or log book (in any form). The rest of the members either voted against or abstained from voting.

Dr Billy Tan proposed for the House to go through the draft by voting for and against the components one by one. Master concurred with the proposal to go through the criteria and number of points thoroughly, however, remarked that this process would be rather time consuming.

Dr Gong Ing San commented that all specialists have completed only one cycle of the compulsory CME programme and therefore, it is still very early to review the existing system. He felt that it is not necessary for Academy to adopt the practices of other countries. As a country, Singapore can determine its own system and the profession need not follow other systems. He expressed that it is a futile exercise to be reviewing the current system. Since some doctors were unable to attain the 50 points over the 2-year cycle, he felt that it was not necessary to hurry in coming up with a new programme. He said that we should take our time and review why those doctors failed to attain the necessary points under the current system.

Dr Billy Tan expressed his concurrence with Dr Gong's views and enquired on the need to double the points at this point in time. He requested to go for the minimum and make it manageable so that the semi-retirees and retirees can still achieve it. Dr Billy Tan suggested to go for overall of 125 points over 5 years for a start since the current system is 50 points over 2 years.

Dr Billy Tan further asked if there would be a "one size fits all" programme for everyone across all specialties. Master assured that there would be a generic template to be submitted to SMC by the Academy. Dr Billy Tan asked for this to be conveyed to all the Colleges. He added that the College of Surgeons went off tangent to incorporate other components and introduced a different point system not found in the Academy's proposal. However, another member counter expressed that competencies vary with different specialty e.g. competencies for physicians would be different for surgeons. There was unanimous concurrence for Academy to submit the proposal to SMC and not in the name of individual College.

The recognition of participation in overseas MOC programme (e.g. the American Board MOC) would be under SMC's purview.

Master urged Fellows to face the reality of the impending implementation of the MOC programme. He reminded the House that SMC had made it very clear when the compulsory CME programme was circulated to each specialist. It was clearly stated that the first run would be as simple and easy as possible to achieve and that the points would increase over the years. Master asked if we would like SMC to police us or should we police ourselves and submit the recommended standards. In response to this, a member from the private sector expressed that they are not against the idea of the MOC programme but wish to request for the removal of trivial issues such as medical administration.

In view of the above discussion, the House agreed on the following:

- (i) To remove Category 4D on life long learning (record of cases for education) or log book (in any form);
- (ii) To further review if Category 4C on medical administration should be awarded any point;
- (iii) To modify the overall number of points and point system, where necessary; and
- (iv) To incorporate more members from the private sector to sit on the Academy Education Committee on MOC to give their inputs to the proposal prior submission to SMC.

For (iv) above, the Academy will write to the Chairman of the Medical Advisory Board of the following private hospitals to invite him or his nominee to sit on the committee:

Mount Elizabeth Hospital
Gleneagles Hospital
East Shore Hospital
Raffles Hospital
Thomson Medical Centre
Mount Alvernia Hospital

Master informed that Dr Ho Lai Yun as Assistant Master will continue to chair this Academy Education Committee on MOC. With the incorporation of the representatives from the above private hospitals, the revised committee would be able to come up with a modified proposal reflecting a balanced view of the whole community. Dr Chew Beng Keng strongly expressed that we must choose the right people for this committee so that both sides of the coin are represented.

Taking into consideration the above discussion, the MOC programme proposal would be modified accordingly prior to submission to SMC. A member of the floor commented that it would be important to send the revised proposal to the general membership for review and discussion prior to submission to SMC. The House in general agreed to this suggestion. If necessary, an Extraordinary General Meeting could be convened to address the revised draft.

The House understood and noted that the final decision on the details of the MOC programme lies with SMC. With this, Master ended discussion on this agenda by quoting the following, "Grant me the serenity to accept the things I cannot change; the courage to change the things I can; and the wisdom to know the difference."

Master thanked Dr Ho Lai Yun and members of the Education Committee for their hard work. He encouraged academicians to work together as one united body.

8 ANY OTHER BUSINESS

Prior to the conclusion of the meeting, Master invited Prof Satku to say a few words. Prof Satku commented that his prerogative is that the profession must be able to self-regulate. Fellows from both the public and private sectors should meet to decide on how to regulate the profession. The purpose of regulating the profession is to enhance the public care in our profession and therefore, the standards must be high. This is where the MOC programme must be built upon. At the end of the day, the public trust in our profession should be increased and our standards must not be in any way low or compromised. Speaking as the Director of Medical Services, the Ministry will not interfere in regulating as long as the profession is able to regulate on its own.

Dr Low Cheng Hock thanked Prof Satku and all members for attending this meeting and for their support to the activities of the Academy. He encouraged Academicians to forward any further suggestions or contributions to the Council for discussion.

There being no other business, the meeting closed at 4.20 pm.

Recorded by: Ms Sophia Wong, Chief Administrator

Vetted by : Dr Lee Fook Hong, Company Secretary
(Representing FH Lee Consultants)
Dr Ho Lai Yun, Assistant Master,
2005-2006 Council
Dr Christopher HK Goh, Scribe,
2005-2006 Council
Dr George Soh, Bursar,
2005-2006 Council

ANNEX A

	Current SMC-CME	Proposed CPD-MOC
Category 1A: Pre-approved Established Programme	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1 CME point for 1-2 hours program e.g. grand ward round, tutorials, structured training programme conducted by DGMS/CFPS, etc • 1-2 points for speakers 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1 CPD point for existing CME activities • 2 CPD points for College/ Chapter's Diagnostic & Therapeutic Updates • 3 CPD points for speakers
Category 1B: Local Events	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1-12 CME points for 1-2 hours to >3 days' event • 2 points for speaker per session regardless of duration 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1-12 CPD points as before • Speakers <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o 5 points for Keynote/ Named Lecture o 4 for Plenary Session o 3 for Symposium/Seminar • Event organizer <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o 3 points for Chairperson o 2 for other Office Bearers o 1 for Members
Category 1C: Overseas (Regional and International) Events	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • "Overseas" Events • 1-12 CME points for 1-2 hours to >3 days' event • 2 points for speaker per session regardless of duration 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • "Regional & International" Events • 1-12 CPD points as before • To recognize CME points awarded by event organizer: e.g. up to 30-50 CPD points • Speakers <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o 6 points for Keynote/Named Lecture o 5 for Plenary Session o 4 for Symposium/Seminar • Event organizer <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o 4 points for Chairperson o 3 for other Office Bearers o 2 for Members
Category 2 / 2A: Publication	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Category 2 • 5 CME points for main and 2 for subsidiary author • Maximum 40 points in 2 years • Authorship for DLP 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Category 2A • CPD points same for main and subsidiary authors • Maximum 125 points in 5/6 years • Authorship for DLP shifted to Category 3
Category 2 / 2B: Editorial Work	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Category 2 • 5 CME points for Chief Editor, 2 for Subsidiary Editor, and 2 for Reviewer • Maximum 40 points in 2 years • Editor/Reviewer for DLP 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Category 2B • 7 CPD points for Chief Editor, 2 for Subsidiary Editor, and 2 for Reviewer • Maximum 125 points in 5/6 years • Editor/Reviewer for DLP shifted to Category 3

	Current SMC-CME	Proposed CPD-MOC
Category 2 / 2C: Presentation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Category 2 • 2 CME points per paper or poster • Maximum 40 points in 2 years 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Category 2C • 3 CPD points per paper/ poster for regional and international events • 2 CPD points for local events • Maximum 125 points in 5/6 years
Category 3A: Self Study	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Learning points need to be submitted for audio-visual tapes or on-line learning programme without self-assessment • Maximum 10 points (20% total) in 2 years 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Learning points need to be submitted for audio-visual tapes or on-line learning programme without self-assessment • Maximum 125 CPD points (50%) in 5/6 years
Category 3B: Distant Learning	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Maximum 36 points (20% total) in 2 years • 3A + 3B = maximum 46 points in 2 years 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 3A + 3B = maximum 125 points in 5/6 years • Content providers for the distance-learning programme <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o 5 for main author o 2 for subsidiary author • College's Diagnostic & Therapeutic Updates putting on-line: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o 1 point per module o 1 for answering MCQs
Category 4: Improving Quality Care and Professionalism	Nil	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 4A: Teaching <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o maximum 40 points • 4B: CPD activities related to Professionalism <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o minimum 5 points • 4C: Medical Administration <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o maximum 10 points • 4D: Keeping record of life-long learning (voluntary and non-mandatory) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o maximum 40 points

Annual Report of the 2005-2006 Council

1. THE COUNCIL

The following Council Members were elected to the 2005-2007 Council at the 27th Annual General Meeting held on 28th May 2005:

Dr Abdul Aziz Bin Mohamed Nather
 Dr Chen Fun Gee
 Dr Ho Lai Yun
 Dr Peter Mack On Pui
 Dr George Soh Yi-Wei
 Dr George Yeo Seow Heong

Dr Gilbert SC Chiang, Dr Fock Kwong Ming, Dr Christopher HK Goh, Dr Lim Shun Ping, Dr Tan Bien Soo and Dr Tan Kok Chai will retire at the next Annual General Meeting to be held on 27th May 2006. All are eligible for re-election except Dr Tan Kok Chai who has served for a consecutive of eight years.

2. OFFICE-BEARERS

After the Annual General Meeting on 28th May 2005, an elected councillors' meeting was held on the same day to elect the office-bearers. The office bearers for the 2005-2006 Council are:

Assistant Master

Dr Ho Lai Yun (Master-Elect w.e.f. 6th July 2005)

Scribe

Dr Christopher H K Goh

Bursar

Dr George Soh Yi-Wei

Assistant Bursar

Dr Tan Bien Soo

Censor-in-Chief

Dr Tan Kok Chai

Censors

Dr Chen Fun Gee, Dr Gilbert S C Chiang, Dr Fock Kwong Ming (*Assistant Master w.e.f. 1st August 2005*), Dr Lim Shun Ping, Dr George Yeo Seow Heong, Dr Abdul Aziz Bin Mohamed Nather and Dr Peter Mack On Pui

Editor, *Annals*

Dr Vernon Oh Min-Sen

The nomination of the Master-Elect for 2005-2006 was conducted right after the 27th Annual General Meeting. The Council, under a by-law, appointed a Nomination Committee comprising a Past Master, the incumbent Master, an elected Councillor, a College President and a Chapter Chairman to identify the Master-Elect from amongst the elected Councillors.

As more than one nomination was received, a postal ballot was carried out. The counting of votes was conducted on 6th July 2005 right after the specified closing time. Dr Ho Lai Yun was declared Master-Elect and will take office as Master at the next Annual General Meeting. Dr Fock Kwong Ming was subsequently elected as Assistant Master on 1st August 2005.

3. CHAIRPERSONS OF CHAPTERS AND PRESIDENTS OF COLLEGES

The following were elected/re-elected as Chairpersons of the respective Chapters at the Chapter Annual General Meetings held in 2005:

Chapter of Dental Surgeons	Dr Chan Siew Luen
Chapter of Pathologists	Dr Tan Ai Ling (re-elected)
Chapter of Psychiatrists	Dr Yap Hwa Ling
Chapter of Public Health and Occupational Physicians	Dr Jeffery Cutter (re-elected)

The first Presidents of the respective Colleges were nominated and elected via postal ballot. They officially took office as Presidents at the respective College's first Annual General Meeting held in June/July 2005.

College of Anaesthesiologists, Singapore

Dr Edward Pang

College of Obstetricians and Gynaecologists, Singapore

Dr Ho Tew Hong

College of Paediatrics and Child Health, Singapore

Dr Quak Seng Hock

College of Physicians, Singapore

Dr Lim Shih Hui

College of Radiologists, Singapore

Dr Tan Kim Ping

However, at the 1st Annual General Meeting of the College of Surgeons, Singapore held on 2nd July 2005, Interim President Dr Colin Song and his Executive Council, as well as the ten Chapter Chairmen together with their committee members, stepped down after completing the necessary statutory items on the agenda at the end of the Annual General Meeting. The interim Council completed the necessary preparatory work since incorporation of the College on 17th August 2004. The House at the Annual General Meeting agreed to call for a fresh mandate to take over the leadership of the College. Subsequently, Master Dr Low Cheng Hock undertook as caretaker of the College of Surgeons till Dr Anthony Heng was officially elected as the first President of the College of Surgeons on 24th August 2005.

4. COUNCIL MEETINGS

The Council met at least once a month to consider the business and affairs of the Academy. At the time of writing the Annual Report 2005, the Council had met 13 times, including a joint meeting with the Council of the Academy of Medicine, Malaysia which was held on 30th June 2005 at Shangri-La Hotel of Singapore during the 39th Malaysia-Singapore Congress of Medicine.

5. ADMINISTRATION

5.1 The Specialist Training Division oversees the development of residency training programmes administered by the Academy. However, with effect from 1st April 2005, the division was subsumed under the restructured Joint Committee on Specialist Training (JCST) Secretariat. The JCST Executive Committee is co-chaired by the Director of Division of Graduate Medical Studies, National University of Singapore (NUS) and the Master, Academy of Medicine, Singapore (AMS). The JCST Secretariat comprises NUS and AMS appointed staff.

5.2 The Professional Development Division oversees the development of the CME programme, quality assurance programme for specialists, distance-learning programme and other related programmes.

Council member in charge:

Dr Ho Lai Yun (Master-Elect)

Staff members:

Ms Koh Ai Ling (Project Executive)

Mr Cheong Kah Seng (Project Executive)

5.3 The Publications Division develops the Annals as the leading publication of our Academy. It is also responsible for publications such as clinical guidelines, booklets on the Academy for new Academicians and biannual Newsletter. To date, four issues have been published. The newsletters are posted online on the homepage of the Academy's website.

Council member in charge:

Dr Vernon Oh Min-Sen (Editor, Annals)

Staff members:

Ms Sheila Ng Yam Yin (Head & Senior Editorial Executive)*

Ms Yong Bee Choon (Senior Editorial Executive)

Ms Lynette Koh Pei Chen (Temporary Editorial Assistant)

* Ms Sheila Ng was promoted to Senior Editorial Executive with effect from June 2005 and appointed as Head of Division with effect from September 2005.

5.4 The Conference and Events Division supports the Chapters and Colleges in their relations with specialist societies and deals with the organisation of conferences.

Council member in charge:

Dr Christopher H K Goh (Scribe)

Staff members:

Ms Michelle Choy Sok Har (Project Executive)

Ms Marianne Theresa Yee

(Project Executive)

Ms Sharon Loo Yian Ling

(Project Executive, from 10th May 2005)

Ms Pamela Hwee Yuet Fun

(Project Executive, from 1st June 2005)

Ms Clarissa Lee Xueyun

(Project Executive, from 13th June 2005)

Mr Tjan Wen Jie

(Project Executive, from 1st November 2005)

Ms Lee Jin Jin

(Project Executive, from 16th November 2005)

Ms Shanita d/o Nadarajan

(Administrative Assistant)

5.5 The Planning and General Administration Division manages general affairs of Fellows, finance, personnel and developments within the Academy.

Council member in charge:

Dr George Soh (Bursar)

and Dr Tan Bien Soo (Assistant Bursar)

Staff members:

Ms Sophia Wong Swee Lin

(Chief Administrator and Head)

Mr Daniel Goh Yong Siang

(Accountant, from 1st November 2005)

Ms Liz Lee Soke Peng

(Accounts & HR Assistant Assistant)

Ms Kwek Hwee Buay

(Part-Time Administrative Assistant)

Mr Mohd Zaid bin Zakaria

(Despatch Clerk)

During this period, the following staff members left:

Administrative Assistant

Ms Caroline Lim Ying (till 1st March 2005)

Administrative Assistant

Ms Sobana d/o Bala (till 31st March 2005)

Project Executive

Ms Sarah Tan Yew Loon (till 4th April 2005)

Project Executive

Ms Lim Chien Fang (till 13th May 2005)

Senior Finance & Admin Executive*Ms Ho Yen Theng (till 31st October 2005)***Project Executive***Ms Sharon Chen Peiling (till 23rd December 2005)***6 MEMBERSHIP**

6.1 During the year 2005, the Council through the recommendation of the Board of Censors admitted 170 new Fellows.

6.2 The Council records with sadness the demise of Dr Wee Kim Wee (Past Patron and Honorary Fellow), Dr Chong San Thau (General Surgeon), Dr Ronald George Albuquerque (General Surgeon), Dr Sivakami Devi (Physician), Dr Wang Tiak Lim (Physician), Dr Lim Kim Siong (Anaesthesiologist), Dr Earl Lu Ming-Teh (General Surgeon), Dr William Chan (Rehabilitation Physician) and Dr Eric Wong Soon Seng (Diagnostic Radiologist).

6.3 The total membership of 2005 as at 31st December 2005 comprises:

Local Fellows	1985
Overseas Fellows	80
Honorary Fellows	20

To date, the Academy has conferred the Fellowship on 116 Presidents of Fraternal Overseas Colleges/Academies.

6.4 Local and Overseas Fellows are grouped under Chapters and Colleges as follows:

Chapter of Dental Surgeons	150
Chapter of Pathologists	58
Chapter of Psychiatrists	82
Chapter of Public Health and Occupational Physicians	100
College of Anaesthesiologists, Singapore	118
College of Obstetricians and Gynaecologists, Singapore	190
College of Paediatrics and Child Health, Singapore	142
College of Physicians, Singapore	466
College of Radiologists, Singapore	118
College of Surgeons, Singapore	421

As at 31st Dec 2005, a total of 149 Fellows have yet to be admitted to their respective Colleges. Once these Fellows remain current with their annual dues and fulfil their pledge to the Building and Endowment Fund, they will be granted admission to the relevant College.

7. DISTINGUISHED ACADEMICIAN

Emeritus Professor K Shanmugaratnam, Past Master of the Academy of Medicine, Singapore from 1966-1968 and Professorial Fellow, Department of Pathology, National University of Singapore was appointed the 2005 Distinguished Academician. His lecture entitled "The Evolution of Postgraduate Medical Education in Singapore: The Role of Professional Associations" was delivered on 2nd July 2005 during the 39th Singapore-Malaysia Congress of Medicine held at Grand Hyatt Singapore.

8. VISITING ACADEMICIAN

8.1 Professor Devidas Menon of Health Policy and Management, Faculty of Medicine and Dentistry, University of Alberta, Edmonton, Canada and Vice-President, Health Technology Assessment International was appointed as Visiting Academician. He delivered a lecture entitled, "Health Services Research and Health Technology Assessment: A Canadian Perspective" on 6th August 2005.

8.2 Professor Andreas Adam of Interventional Radiology at the University of London and Honorary Consultant Radiologist, Guy's and St. Thomas' Hospital was appointed as Visiting Academician and delivered a lecture on "Whither Interventional Radiology" on 3rd October 2005.

9. INDUCTION COMITIA

Mr Khaw Boon Wan, Minister for Health of the Republic of Singapore was the Guest-of-Honour for the Induction Comitia held on 30th June 2005 at the Shangri-La Hotel. Special guests included Parliamentary Secretary for Health and Community Development, Youth and Sports Dr Mohamad Maliki Osman and Mrs Mohamad Maliki Osman, Permanent Secretary Mr Moses Lee and Mrs Moses Lee, Director of Medical Services Prof K Satku and Mrs Rose Satku and Chief Dental Officer Prof Chew Chong Lin and Mrs Doreen Chew.

A/Prof Yeo Jin Fei was presented the Council Medal in recognition of his contributions and long service on the Council of the Academy for a total of 11 years. He served as Chairman of the Chapter of Dental Surgeons for three years and as Censor for a consecutive period of eight years. Some 14 distinguished Presidents of fraternal overseas colleges and 102 local specialists were admitted as Fellows. Dr Asok Kurup led the Inductees' Pledge.

10. REPRESENTATION AT ANNUAL MEETINGS OF FRATERNAL COLLEGES

10.1 The Master Dr Low Cheng Hock represented the Academy at the following meeting:

Seminar on Postgraduate Medical Education in Malaysia, 26th-27th March 2005, Kuala Lumpur

10.2 The following council members represented the Academy at the meetings as indicated:

- Dr Lim Shih Hui - Annual Session of the American College of Physicians, 14th-16th April 2005, San Francisco, USA
- Dr Jeffery Cutter - Annual Scientific Meeting of the Royal Australasian College of Physicians, 8th-11th May 2005, Wellington, New Zealand
- Dr Colin Song - Annual Scientific Congress of the Royal Australasian College of Surgeons, 8th-13th May 2005, Perth, Australia

10.3 The Master received the following invitations but was unable to attend and there were no representatives from the Academy:

- Charter Day Dinner of the Royal College of Surgeons in Ireland, 5th February 2005 Ireland
- Confering Ceremony of the Royal College of Physicians of Ireland, 4th March 2005, Dublin, Ireland
- 21st Annual Scientific Meeting of the Royal College of Physicians of Thailand, 23rd-27th April 2005, Pattaya, Thailand
- The Royal College of Surgeons of Edinburgh Quincentenary Celebrations, 29th June to 1st July 2005, Edinburgh, UK
- Asian Surgical Association (ASA), 20th July 2005, Pattaya, Thailand
- 15th Asian Congress of Surgery in conjunction with the 30th Annual Scientific Meeting of the Royal College of Surgeons of Thailand, 21st-23rd July 2005, Cholburi, Thailand
- Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons of Canada Annual Conference, 22nd-24th September 2005, Vancouver, Canada
- Official Re-opening of the Royal College of Physicians of Ireland to celebrate St. Luke's Day, 15th October 2005, Dublin, Ireland
- 91st Annual Clinical Congress of the American College of Surgeons, 16th-20th October 2005, San Francisco, USA
- Golden Jubilee Celebrations of the Colleges of Medicine of South Africa (CMSA), 21st-22nd October 2005, Stellenbosch, South Africa
- 61st Annual Convention of the Philippine College of Surgeons, 4th-7th December 2005, Mandaluyong City, Philippines

11. CONGRESS OF MEDICINE

11.1 39th Singapore-Malaysia Congress of Medicine

The 39th Singapore-Malaysia Congress of Medicine was held from 30th June to 3rd July 2005. The Academy of Medicine, Singapore co-hosted the 39th Singapore-Malaysia Congress of Medicine with the Faculty of Medicine, National University of Singapore (NUS) to commemorate 100 years of medical education. Singapore's first medical school was established on 3rd July 1905 at Sepoy Lines.

The organising committee was led by Dr Tan Kok Chai with Dr Chia Sin Eng (representative from NUS) and Dr Quak Seng Hock as co-chairmen. The Opening Ceremony on 30th June 2005 was held at Shangri-La Hotel. About 102 Fellows were conferred the Fellowship of the Academy of Medicine, Singapore. Minister for Health Mr Khaw Boon Wan was the Guest-of-Honour at the Opening Ceremony.

The Scientific Programme from 1st to 3rd July 2005 was held at Grand Hyatt Singapore.

Highlights of the programme included:

- **Centennial Lecture** entitled, "Celebrating Milestones Achieved and Pondering the Road Ahead" by Professor Lim Pin, Past Master, Academy of Medicine, Singapore, 1980-1982 and Vice-Chancellor of National University of Singapore, 1981-1999
- Lecture entitled "The Evolution of Postgraduate Medical Education in Singapore: The Role of Professional Associations" by **2005 Distinguished Academician**, Emeritus Professor K Shanmugaratnam, Past Master, Academy of Medicine, Singapore, 1966-1968
- **2005 Runme Shaw Memorial Lectureship** entitled, "Training Doctors for the 21st Century: A Global Perspective" by Professor Sir David J Weatherall, FRS, Regius Professor of Medicine Emeritus, University of Oxford
- **15th Seah Cheng Siang Memorial Lectureship** entitled, "Liver Transplantation - Lessons Learnt and Future Horizons" by Professor Roger Williams, CBE, Director, Institute of Hepatology, University College London, UK.

A pre-Congress Inter-Academy golf tournament was held on 19th June 2005 at the Tiara Melaka Golf and Country Club (Woodlands and Lake Course) in Malacca. The golf convenors from the Academy of Medicine of Malaysia and Academy of Medicine, Singapore were Dr Steven Chow and Dr Peter Lee Yew Chung. Some 56 golfers from the two Academies took part in the tournament. Dr Chua Yang from Singapore won the Academy of Medicine, Singapore Trophy, donated by Dr Chew Chin Hin for individual champion and the Malaysian team won the Tan Sri Abu Bakar Academy of Medicine Trophy, donated by Tan Sri Dato' Abu Bakar Sulaiman for team champion.

11.2 40th Malaysia-Singapore Congress of Medicine

The 40th Malaysia-Singapore Congress of Medicine is being planned by the Academy of Medicine of Malaysia to be held from 24th-27th August 2006 in Kuala Lumpur. The theme of the Congress is "Coming to Terms with Acute Care Medicine". The highlights of the Congress will include the 16th Tun Dr Ismail Oration and 5th Tun Hussein Onn Lecture. The organising committee is chaired by Prof Chan Yoo Kuen who is the incumbent President, College of Anaesthesiologists, Academy of Medicine of Malaysia.

11.3 41st Singapore-Malaysia Congress of Medicine

The 41st Singapore-Malaysia Congress of Medicine is being planned by the Academy of Medicine of Singapore to be held in 2007 in Singapore to commemorate the golden jubilee of the Academy of Medicine, Singapore.

12. THE LEE FOUNDATION/TAN SRI DR RUNME SHAW FELLOWSHIPS IN ORTHOPAEDIC SURGERY

The 2005 Lee Foundation/Tan Sri Dr Runme Shaw Fellowships in Orthopaedic Surgery were awarded to:

Dr Romina Veneracion Mendoza	Philippines
Dr Didik Librianto	Indonesia
Dr Frerick Garcia Tiambeng	Philippines
Dr Adel Taher Gosaibat	Libya

13. JOINT COMMITTEE ON SPECIALIST TRAINING (JCST)

The Specialist Accreditation Board (SAB) formally appoints a Joint Committee on Specialist Training (JCST) with the Master of the Academy and the Director, Division of Graduate Medical Studies, NUS as co-chairmen and representatives from the School and the Academy on its Executive Committee. The JCST is responsible to the SAB for setting professional standards for specialist training for all the 35 specialties and for establishing mechanisms for assuring the quality of specialist training in Singapore. It oversees all the 35 Specialist Training Committees (STCs) and provides them with professional direction and secretariat support.

The term of office for the current JCST EXCO was effective from 1st September 2003 and will end on 31st August 2006. The members are:

Professor Lee Eng Hin
(*Co-chairman & Director of Division of Graduate Medical Studies, NUS*)
Clinical Professor Low Cheng Hock
(*Co-chairman & Master, Academy of Medicine, Singapore*)
Clinical Professor Chee Yam Cheng
Clinical Professor Fock Kwong Ming

Clinical Associate Professor Tan Cheng Lim
Clinical Associate Professor George Yeo Seow Heong
Professor Kua Ee Heok
Associate Professor Yeoh Khay Guan
Clinical Associate Professor Ho Lai Yun
(*appointed as additional member when he was duly elected as Master-Elect*)

At the end of the advanced specialist training programme, an exit certification assessment is conducted and successful trainees are awarded the Fellowship of the Academy of Medicine, Singapore (FAMS) upon application. These trainees are also eligible to apply for specialist accreditation by the Specialist Accreditation Board (SAB).

For the year 2005, a total of 88 advanced trainees under the charge of the JCST have been certified by the Specialist Training Committees for satisfactory completion of advanced training in their respective specialties.

A Memorandum of Understanding between the Royal College of Surgeons of Edinburgh, Academy of Medicine, Singapore and Division of Graduate Medical Studies, Yong Soo Lin School of Medicine, National University of Singapore on the specialty fellowship examinations in General Surgery in Singapore leading to the FRCSEd (General Surgery) and FAMS (General Surgery) was signed on 24th August 2005 by Mr John Smith, President, Royal College of Surgeons of Edinburgh, Clinical Professor Low Cheng Hock, Master, Academy of Medicine, Singapore and Co-Chairman, Joint Committee on Specialist Training, Singapore, Prof Low Poh Sim, Deputy Director, Division of Graduate Medical Studies, Yong Soo Lin School of Medicine, National University of Singapore witnessed by Professor Soo Khee Chee, Chairman, Specialist Training Committee (General Surgery), Joint Committee on Specialist Training, Singapore and Mr Iain M C Macintyre, Vice President, Royal College of Surgeons of Edinburgh.

A Memorandum of Understanding between the Royal College of Surgeons of Edinburgh, Academy of Medicine, Singapore and Division of Graduate Medical Studies, Yong Soo Lin School of Medicine, National University of Singapore on specialty examinations in Ophthalmology in Singapore leading to the MRCSed (Ophth), the MMed (Ophth), FRCSEd (Ophth) AND FAMS (Ophth) was signed on 24th August 2005 by Mr John Smith, President, Royal College of Surgeons of Edinburgh, Clinical Professor Low Cheng Hock, Master, Academy of Medicine, Singapore and Co-Chairman, Joint Committee on Specialist Training, Singapore, Prof Low Poh Sim, Deputy Director, Division of Graduate Medical Studies, Yong Soo Lin School of Medicine, National University of Singapore witnessed by Clinical Associate Professor Ang Chong Lye, Chairman, Specialist Training Committee (Ophthalmology), Joint Committee on Specialist Training, Singapore.

14. STANDING COMMITTEES

14.1 Advisory Committee to Council

The Advisory Committee to Council comprises all Past Masters with the incumbent Master as convenor to advise the Council on specific matters.

14.2 Constitution Review Committee

The Constitution Review Committee advises the Council on the revision and updating of the Memorandum and Articles of Association (M&A) and the By-Laws and Regulations of the Academy.

The Committee is chaired by Dr Christopher Goh (Scribe) and Dr Low Cheng Hock (Master), Dr George Soh (Bursar), Dr Chen Fun Gee (Censor), Dr Gilbert Chiang (Censor) and Dr Chew Chin Hin (Past Master) as Members.

14.3 Education Committee

The Professional Development Division (PDD) reports to the Standing Committee on Continuing Education (Education Committee), chaired by Dr Ho Lai Yun (Master-Elect). The Committee also comprises of Dr Christopher H K Goh (Scribe), College Presidents and Chapter Chairpersons or their appointed representatives, as well as Dr Paul Anantharajah Tambyah representing the Faculty of Medicine, National University of Singapore.

This Division is principally responsible for recommending to the Singapore Medical Council (SMC) the accreditation of CME programmes for specialists. It also works with the College Presidents and Chapter Chairmen to list recommended activities, events, journals and other CME activities as sample calendars for specialists to undertake in the year.

The secretariat of the Professional Development Division is staffed by two Project Executives who provide support to the Standing Committee on Continuing Education in the review of specialist CME.

Sample Calendars

The sample calendars for the 35 registered specialties are compiled biannually and submitted to the SMC for approval. The sample calendars serve as a guide of the recommended activities and journals to help fellows plan and meet their CME core requirements. The updated sample calendars are made available to fellows at <http://www.ams.edu.sg/continuing/cme.cfm>.

Accreditation of Specialist CME Activities and Claims

Apart from assisting the SMC in the recommendation of Core/Non-core CME points for specialist CME activities, the Education Committee also recommends the claims submitted by Fellows for attendances at overseas events, contributions in medical publications and other self-study activities.

SMC-CME Coordinating Committee

Dr Ho Lai Yun and Dr Christopher H K Goh are the representatives of Academy of Medicine on the SMC-CME Coordinating Committee. They provide Academy's feedback on SMC's guidelines for specialist CME and other CME matters.

Distance Learning Programme (DLP) Subcommittee

Chaired by Dr Christopher Goh (Scribe), the DLP subcommittee was formed to oversee the launch of the programme and to look into providing content for the DLP. The Education Committee, together with the representatives from each of the 41 specialties (inclusive of 6 dental specialties), assists in the provision of content for the modules. The representatives are nominated by the various College Presidents and Chapter Chairpersons.

Having obtained the approval on the accreditation of the Academy's DLP from the SMC, the programme was successfully launched on 1st November 2005. Each doctor is allowed 2 attempts per module and 2 CME points will be awarded per module for each specialty. Fellows have access to the DLP through the Member Login secured area via the Academy's website at www.ams.edu.sg using their MCR/DCR number and password. DLP modules for the different specialties have been posted online.

The generous support from the Lee Foundation is duly acknowledged on the homepage of the DLP website.

The DLP provides another alternative approach to assist our fellows in meeting their CME requirements. The DLP allows doctors the flexibility to attempt CME modules online and to learn and update their medical knowledge at their own pace and most convenient time.

Implementation of CME Accreditation Fees

The SMC-CME Coordinating Committee appointed a working subcommittee, chaired by A/Prof Gilbert Chiang, to study what other countries have implemented with regard to the accreditation of CME providers. The subcommittee would recommend to the CMECC and SMC how this could best be achieved in the Singapore context. The SMC decided to look into the accreditation of CME providers to solve the issue of accrediting individual CME activities.

Subsequently, SMC requested all professional bodies to compute the revised rates based on the proposed model as recommended by the SMC workgroup committee. In June 2005, the Council of the Academy of Medicine, Singapore submitted the revised CME accreditation fees based on cost recovery and taking into account the number of Category 1A and Category 1B events approved to date. Urgent applications to be charged on a "cost-plus" basis. The proposed policies for handling complaints and the penalties for accredited CME providers who fail to meet the accreditation standards was submitted as well.

The SMC Working Committee on the Accreditation of CME Providers met with the professional bodies on 6th July 2005 to review discuss the paper submitted by the Academy.

Maintenance of Certification (MOC) Programme

The concept paper on the MOC programme was forwarded to the Singapore Medical Council in August 2005 after the proposal was discussed at the Academy's Annual General Meeting in June 2005. Comments and feedback received from the general membership were taken into consideration and the draft was modified accordingly before the proposal was submitted to the SMC.

The Council appointed Dr Ho Lai Yun and Dr Lim Shun Ping to sit on the SMC Committee on Maintenance of Competency as Academy's representatives. Other representatives sitting on this committee include members from Singapore Medical Association (SMA), College of Family Physicians, Singapore (CFPS), the two clusters and members from the private sector. The 1st/2005 SMC Committee on MOC Meeting was held on 1st September 2005 and the concept paper submitted by the Academy was presented. The committee requested Academy, SMA and CFPS to meet on having a common proposal.

14.4 **Finance and Establishment Review Committee**

The Finance & Establishment Review Committee (FERC) was set up to review matters pertaining to finance and personnel developments. The Committee is chaired by Dr George Soh (Bursar) with Dr Ho Lai Yun (Master-Elect), Dr Fock Kwong Ming (Assistant Master), Dr Christopher H K Goh (Scribe), Dr Tan Bien Soo (Assistant Bursar) and Dr Low Cheng Hock (Master, ex-officio) as Members. At the time of writing of the Annual Report, the Committee had met 5 times.

- **Building & Investment (B&I) Subcommittee**

A Building and Investment Subcommittee under the FERC was set up in response to Dr VK Pillay's request to look into investing surpluses to yield higher returns and the financial implications on a long-term basis.

The Committee is chaired by Dr Fock Kwong Ming with Dr Chew Chin Hin (Past Master), Dr Ho Lai Yun, Dr Chen Fun Gee, Dr George Yeo Seow Heong and Dr Lim Shun Ping as Members.

The B&I Subcommittee met up with Dr Pillay's contacts to consider their recommendations on investment opportunities based on the risk profile of the Academy.

After careful review, the subcommittee recommended against taking up risks related to the movement of the SGD Swap Offer Rate and SGD Interest Rate Swap (interest rate-linked structured deposits). Bonds and other long-term investment

vehicles are also not recommended until the interest rate is stabilized. The Council agreed that Academy should not take up any foreign exchange risk and risk related to bonds with callable range.

The subcommittee met with another financial institution to consider another alternative i.e. the 2-month Upside Participating USD/SGD Principal Protected Deposit. One of the main advantages is its short-term tenure with market expectation of further interest rate hikes. In comparison with the current 2-month rate at 1.5% per annum for the fixed deposits that Academy is yielding, the Council agreed to give it a start to invest \$1 million under this 2-month protected deposit, which yields lowest and highest interest rates of 0.75% and 6.2% per annum respectively.

With the formation of Colleges, the Council took into consideration that there would be a need to utilize the Building & Endowment Fund for expansion purposes in the near future. In view of this, it may not be appropriate to commit funds on a long-term basis in bonds without absolute certainty that the funds would not be utilized.

The Council is looking into having a bigger and more structured building for expansion. The Academy has written to inform Prof Tan Ser Kiat, Group Chief Executive Officer of Singapore General Hospital of Academy's interest to explore for space in conjunction with the building of a medical hub at the Outram Campus. This is still in the preliminary stage of discussion and Academy would need the support from the Ministry of Health for this collaboration.

As the Building & Endowment Funds are fragmented in various fixed deposits, the Council worked on consolidating the funds.

14.5 **International Relations Committee**

The International Relations Committee facilitates the development of external relations with established partners and collaborators around the world. Apart from promoting the Academy internationally, the Committee is also involved in developing international initiatives and activities to enhance our global standing.

The Committee is chaired by Dr Low Cheng Hock (Master) with Dr Ho Lai Yun (Master-Elect), Dr Fock Kwong Ming (Assistant Master), Dr Christopher Goh (Scribe), Dr Tan Kok Chai (Censor-in-Chief) and Dr Peter Mack (Censor) as Members.

14.6 **Nomination Committee for the Master-Elect Position 2005-2006**

Under an existing bye-law as set out by the 2003-2004 Council, a Nomination Committee for the Master-Elect position comprising a Past Master, the incumbent Master, an elected Councillor (not standing

for election) and a Chapter Chairman may be formed to identify a Master-Elect from amongst the elected Councillors. With the formation of Colleges in 2004, the incumbent Council agreed to include a College President. The Past Master, elected Councillor, Chapter Chairmen and College President were selected by drawing lots.

The terms of reference for this committee are:-

- i) identifies elected councillors appropriate for the post,
- ii) requests for and reviews their plans for the Academy, and
- iii) makes their nomination(s) to the Council.

To facilitate the election of the Master-Elect position for 2005-2006, the Committee was chaired by Dr Low Cheng Hock (Incumbent Master) with Dr Chew Chin Hin (Past Master), Dr Chen Fun Gee (Elected Councillor), Dr John CM Wong (Chapter Chairman) and Dr Ho Tew Hong (College President) as Members.

14.7 Awards Committee

The Awards Committee was formed to recommend to the Council deserving and worthy candidates as recipients of existing prestigious awards, titles and lectureships administered by the Academy, which includes the Honorary Fellowship, Distinguished Academician and Council Medal. The Committee forwards their recommendations to the Council for final decision.

The Committee is chaired by Dr Dr Tan Kok Chai (Censor-in-Chief), Dr Gilbert Chiang (Censor), Dr Fock Kwong Ming (Censor) and Dr George Yeo Seow Heong (Censor) as Members.

14.8 Research/Travelling Fellowships Committee

The Research/Travelling Fellowships Committee is chaired by Dr Fock Kwong Ming (Assistant Master) with Dr Tan Bien Soo (Assistant Bursar), Dr Tan Kok Chai (Censor-in-Chief), Dr Chan Siew Luen (Chairman, Chapter of Dental Surgeons) and Dr Low Cheng Hock (Master, ex-officio) as Members.

In addition to the vetting of applications for the named Research/Travelling Fellowships, the Committee has also assisted in reviewing submissions for the Tun Abdul Razak Research Award for recommendation to the Council.

14.9 Standing Committee on Archives

Dr Chew Chin Hin (Past Master) is Chairman of the Standing Committee on Archives. The rest of the members are Dr Low Cheng Hock (Master, ex-officio), Dr Vernon Oh (Editor, Annals), Dr Raj Nambiar (Past Master) and Dr Tan Ngoh Chuan (Past Master). This committee co-ordinates the documentation of the history of the Academy, its achievements and its plans for future developments.

14.10 Standing Committee on Congresses

The Academy regularly organises congresses and scientific meetings to enhance the continuing professional development of specialists in Singapore. Each College/Chapter of the Academy organises an annual scientific meeting while the Academy biennially organises and hosts the Singapore-Malaysia Congress of Medicine. When requests are made, the Academy also co-organises scientific meetings with other professional bodies in Singapore.

The Standing Committee on Congresses comprises of Dr Fock Kwong Ming (Assistant Master as Chairman), Dr Christopher Goh (Scribe), Dr Tan Bien Soo (Assistant Bursar), Dr George Yeo (Member), Dr Lim Shun Ping (Member) and Dr Low Cheng Hock (Master, ex-officio).

Sponsorships of Meetings

Nominal sponsorship was approved in 2005 for the following meetings:

- 3rd Meeting of the Wound Healing Society (Singapore) and 5th Workshop on Advances in Cell Transplantation and its Clinical Applications, 5th - 7th August 2005
- The 12th International Conference on Biomedical Engineering jointly organized by the Faculties of Engineering and Medicine of the National University of Singapore and the Biomedical Engineering Society (Singapore), 7th - 10th December 2005.
- 3rd National Disease Management Conference jointly organised by NHG, SingHealth and supported by the Ministry of Health, 19th - 20th May 2006
- Regional Conference on Professionalism in Medicine, 22nd - 25th August 2006
- Regional Conference on Cost Effective Healthcare organised by the SGH-Postgraduate Medical Institute in conjunction with the 13th Annual SGH-Stanford Joint Update, 19th - 21st October 2006.

Travel Assistance

Travel assistance was approved for the following Fellows:

- Dr Tan Kok Chai for presenting oral paper entitled, "Coverage for Difficult Versatility and Reliability of Extended Trapezius Myocutaneous Flap" at the Annual Scientific Congress of Royal Australasian College of Surgeons in Perth, Australia from 9th - 13th May 2005.
- Dr Loh Hong Sai for presenting oral paper entitled, "Surgical and Therapeutic Laser Applications in Dentistry" at the 3rd Congress of the European Society for Oral Laser Applications (ESOLA) in Barcelona, Spain from 19th - 21st May 2005.

- Dr Hong Soo Wan for presenting oral paper entitled, "Autogenous Ear Reconstruction - My Experience" at the Annual Scientific Congress of Royal Australasian College of Surgeons in Perth, Australia from 9th - 13th May 2005.
- Dr Lee Seng Teik for presenting oral papers entitled, "Techniques and Long-Term Results of Complete Unilateral Cleft Lip/Palate" and "Techniques and Long-Term Results of Bilateral Cleft Lip/Palate" at the 10th International Congress on Cleft Palate and Related Craniofacial Anomalies in Durban, South Africa from 4th - 9th September 2005.

14.11 Seah Cheng Siang Memorial Research Fund Working Committee

An adhoc working committee was set up to look into the appropriate body to manage and administer the research component of the Seah Cheng Siang Memorial Research/Travelling Fellowship Fund. The committee was chaired by Dr Yeo Jin Fei (Censor) with Dr Christopher Goh (Scribe), Dr Chen Fun Gee (Censor), Dr Lim Shun Ping (Censor), Dr Lim Shih Hui (President, College of Physicians, Singapore) and Dr Quak Seng Hock (President, College of Paediatrics and Child Health, Singapore) as Members. Dr Ng Pock Liok, who was one of the fund-raisers for this memorial fund, was invited to attend the one-off meeting held on 10th March 2005 to give a briefing on the historical background. The committee's recommendations were forwarded to the Council for further deliberation.

The Council agreed to park the Seah Cheng Siang Memorial Research/Travelling Fellowship Fund with the Academy for a period of three years. The Fund Management Committee should have a composition of the following five members sitting on this committee for a period of three years:

- Chairman who should be a non-physician from the Council of the Academy
- One other member from the Council of the Academy
- President of the College of Physicians, Singapore or his nominee
- Two other suitable Fellows.

The nomination of the Chairman and the three other members [ie. (b) and (d) above] would be decided by the Council of the Academy.

15. ANNALS, ACADEMY OF MEDICINE, SINGAPORE

The members of the 2005 Editorial Board were Dr Vernon M S Oh (Editor and Chairman), Dr Yap Hui Kim (Deputy Editor), Dr Ng Beng Yeong (Treasurer), Dr Cheah Jin Seng, Dr Terrance SJ Chua, Dr Dennis Lim (till July 2005), Dr Erle Lim Chuen Hian, Dr Loke Kah Yin, Dr VS Rajadurai, Dr Saw Seang Mei, Dr Tan Eng King, Dr A Vathsala and Dr Felix X Sundram (Immediate Past Editor).

The following issues were published for 2005:

Vol 34 No. 1 January 2005	Preventive Nephrology Guest Editors: Drs A Vathsala, Yap Hui Kim
Vol 34 No. 2 March 2005	Free Papers
Vol 34 No. 3 April 2005	Free Papers
Vol 34 No. 4 May 2005	Otology and Neuro-otology Guest Editor: Dr Low Wong Kein
Vol 34 No. 5 June 2005	Free Papers
Vol 34 No. 6 July 2005	A Century of Medical & University Education in Singapore Guest Editors: Drs Cheah Jin Seng, Ng Beng Yeong
Vol 34 No. 7 August 2005	Free Papers
Vol 34 No. 8 September 2005	Medical Education Guest Editors: Drs Zubair Amin, Chong Yap Seng, Khoo Hoon Eng
Vol 34 No. 9 October 2005	Free Papers
Vol 34 No. 9 (Suppl) October 2005	Proceedings of the Combined Scientific Meeting 2005
Vol 34 No. 10 November 2005	Free Papers
Vol 34 No. 11 December 2005	Selected Lectures of the 39 Singapore-Malaysia Congress of Medicine

The journal received 176 Free Papers and 114 Theme Papers respectively in the year. For the Proceedings of the Combined Scientific Meeting 2005, we published about 1000 abstracts.

Planned for 2006

Vol 35 No. 1 January 2006	Free Papers
Vol 35 No. 2 February 2006	Free Papers
Vol 35 No. 3 March 2006	Ophthalmology: Current Concepts and Controversies Guest Editor: Dr Au Eong Kah Guan
Vol 35 No. 4 April 2006	Free Papers
Vol 35 No. 5 May 2006	SARS Revisited Guest Editors: Drs Chew Suok Kai, Leo Yee Sin, Tan Ban Hock
Vol 35 No. 6 June 2006	Free Papers
Vol 35 No. 7 July 2006	Complementary Alternative Medicine Guest Editor: Dr Lee Tat Leang
Vol 35 No. 8 August 2006	Free Papers
Vol 35 No. 9 September 2006	Medical Education Guest Editors: Drs Zubair Amin, Chong Yap Seng, Khoo Hoon Eng

Monthly Issue

From March 2005, the Annals has been published as a monthly issue.

Revamped Covers

In January 2005, the cover design of the Annals was revamped. Appropriate paintings or photographs were published. There was positive feedback from readers about the remodelled covers.

New sections in the Annals

The following sections were suggested:

1. Clinical vistas
2. Materia Non-medica
3. Junior Corner (intended for medical students, younger doctors and biomedical scientists)
4. Poetry
5. Humour, and issues centring on the Humanities
6. Links to other journals

Appointment of Treasurer

Dr Ng Beng Yeong was appointed Treasurer on 28th March 2005.

Members of the Specialist Advisory Panel 2005

The members of this Panel are Drs Balam Chowbay, Cheah Wei Keat, Chen Fun Gee, Chang Tou Choong, Pierce Kah-Hoe Chow, Fong Kok Yong, Carol Goh Yean Eng, Khoo Kei Siong, J J Mukherjee, London Lucien Ooi, Jeyaraj Prema Raj, Alex Sia Tiong Heng, Tan Bien Soo, Hugo van Bever.

Members of the International Advisory Panel 2005

The members of this Panel are Drs Paul W Brandt-Rauf, Juliana C N Chan (from July 2005), Peter J Ell, Richard N Fine, Ashley Grossman, Ho Yik Hong, Richard Horton (till May 2005), Richard H Hunt, Arthur K C Li, Edison Liu, Harvey Marcovitch, Albert Singer and R C N Williamson.

The Editorial Board records its appreciation to all Guest Editors and Expert Reviewers who gave their invaluable time and expertise to help further the international standing of the Annals. The Editorial Board also acknowledges the generous support of the Lee Foundation and the Pesi B Davar Memorial Charitable Trust for the year 2005.

16. GALLOWAY MEMORIAL LECTURESHIP

The Galloway Memorial Lectureship was instituted in 1959, in memory of the late Sir David Galloway, for award annually to all Academicians and practitioners of Medicine and its allied fields. Only original work will be considered, preference being given to clinical and/or scientific papers, which contribute to new knowledge.

The 2005 Galloway Memorial Lectureship was awarded to Associate Professor Tan Puay Hoon, Head, Histopathology Section, Department of Pathology, Singapore General Hospital. Her lecture entitled, "Breast Phyllodes Tumours: Morphology and Beyond" was delivered on 1st July 2005 during the 39th Singapore-Malaysia Congress of Medicine held at Grand Hyatt Singapore.

17. SEAH CHENG SIANG RESEARCH/TRAVELLING FELLOWSHIPS

No award was made for 2005.

18. MEDALS/BOOK PRIZE FOR MMed/BDS EXAMINATIONS**18.1 G A Ransome Gold Medal**

The G A Ransome Gold Medal was established in 1978, in memory of the late Emeritus Professor Sir Gordon Arthur Ransome. The Medal is awarded annually to the candidate who has distinguished himself in the MMed (Internal Medicine) Examination.

No award was made for 2005.

18.2 Academy of Medicine Gold Medal

The Academy of Medicine Gold Medal was established in 1989. The Medal is awarded annually to the best student who has successfully completed the Second Professional BDS Examination with a distinction in Pathology and Microbiology.

Miss Chay Pui Ling was awarded the Academy of Medicine Book Prize for 2005.

19. CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE BUILDING & ENDOWMENT FUND

The Building & Endowment Fund comprises pledges from members and donations from philanthropic bodies. Fellows who have yet to pay up the balance of their pledges are encouraged to do so. The Academy needs to build up a sinking fund to finance the maintenance of the Academy's premises and also a building fund for expansion of the current premises to accommodate the functions of the incorporated Colleges.

20. DONATIONS AND SUPPORT

The work of the Academy and the number of projects mounted are dependent on the continuous generous support of many members, philanthropic organisations, charitable institutions, individual benefactors, pharmaceutical companies and allied bodies.

The Academy records its deep appreciation to the following organisations which have made significant donations to the Academy in 2005: The Lee Foundation, The Shaw Foundation, Kwan Im Thong Hood Cho Temple and Pesi Davar Memorial Trust.

31 December 2005

Dr Christopher H K Goh

Scribe

on behalf of 2004-2005 and 2005-2006 Council



Dr Low Cheng Hock, Master of the Academy, presented the gold medallion to Dr Tan Puay Hoon for delivering the 2005 Galloway Memorial Lecture.



Mr Khaw Boon Wan, Minister for Health, speaking to one of the Inductees, Dr Baldev Singh at the Opening Ceremony of 39th Singapore-Malaysia Congress of Medicine and Induction Comitia 2005.



Dr Low Cheng Hock, Master of the Academy, with Mr Mohamad Maliki Osman, Parliamentary Secretary (Health, Community Development, Youth & Sports) and Mrs Mohamed Maliki Osman at the Opening Ceremony of the 39th Singapore Malaysia Congress of Medicine.



Professor Sir David J Weatherall FRS, Regius Professor of Medicine Emeritus, University of Oxford, delivering the 2005 Runme Shaw Memorial Lecture.



Professor Lim Pin, Past Master, Academy of Medicine, Singapore, 1980-1982 and Vice-Chancellor of National University of Singapore, 1981-1999, delivered the Centennial Lecture entitled "Celebrating Milestones Achieved and Pondering the Road Ahead".



During the Congress Banquet, Dr Chua Yang, winner of the individual championship for the 2005 Inter-Academy Golf Tournament, received the Academy of Medicine, Singapore Trophy, donated and presented by Dr Chew Chin Hin.

Appendices

NEW MEMBERS

The following 170 Academicians were admitted to **Fellowship** of the Academy of Medicine, Singapore for the year 2005:

Anaesthesiologists

Chee Wei Ter, Victor
 Chew Sook Leung, Suelyn
 Goh Chor Yong, Joyce
 Goy Wee Lip, Raymond
 Ho Hwee Shih
 Lee Pang
 Ong Gek Kim, Sharon
 Quah Chien Choon, Terrence
 Tan Geok Mui
 Tan Su Meng
 Thong Pao-Hsein

Dental Surgeons

Basanti Sankaran (Prosthodontics)
 Benjamin Charles Long (Endodontics)
 Chang Hui Sing (Orthodontics)
 Foo Mooh Thong (Prosthodontics)
 Goh Tarn Peng (Prosthodontics)
 Ho Kok Sen (Oral & Maxillofacial Surgery)
 Kau Chung How (Orthodontics)
 Khim Ma Ma (Endodontics)
 Koh Chu Guan (Periodontics)
 Kuek Meaw Charm (Orthodontics)
 Lim Chong Yang, Arthur (Orthodontics)
 Lim Gim Teck (Prosthodontics)
 Lui Jeen Nee (Endodontics)
 Myra Elliott Nee Lin Wen Jui (Oral & Maxillofacial Surgery)
 Quek Eng Yew, Christopher (Prosthodontics)
 Stefan Vaz (Orthodontics)
 Teh Kiat Seong (Prosthodontics)
 Teh Yi Mui, Marina (Orthodontics)
 Wong Wai Yee (Oral & Maxillofacial Surgery)
 Yasmin d/o Mohamed Akrum (Periodontics)
 Yeo Choon Poh, Aidan (Oral & Maxillofacial Surgery)
 Yong Than Fui (Orthodontics)

Emergency Physicians

Lee Mui Hua, Jean
 Manning, Peter George
 Quek Lit Sin
 Tan Hock Heng
 Wong Ern Yoong, Christopher

Obstetricians and Gynaecologists

Chua Sze Yuen, Irene
 Lim Li-Wen, Tracey
 Nair Shamini
 Ng Chee Mun, Christopher
 Ng Soon Yau, Joseph
 Poon King Hou

Quek Swee Chong
 Wong, Lisa
 Wong Mun Tat
 Upu Jazlan Shah Bin Joosoph

Paediatricians

Ho Chin Seng
 Lim Li-Chern, Dawn
 Lim Sok Bee
 Ong Bee Hwa, Natalie
 Yap Kok Peng, Fabian
 Zainal Muttakin Bin Abdul Rahman

Pathologists

Kumarasinghe, Gamini
 Paul, George
 Wong Su Yong
 Yu Chia Wen, Carmen

Physicians

Abdul Razakjr Bin Omar (Cardiology)
 Andrea Rajnakova (Gastroenterology)
 Aw Chen Wee (Dermatology)
 Chai Yui Huei, Josiah (Neurology)
 Chan Wai Lim, William (Rehabilitation Medicine)
 Chan Yuin Chew (Dermatology)
 Chew Li-Ching (Rheumatology)
 Chiam Toon Lim, Paul (Cardiology)
 Chong Wei Sheng (Dermatology)
 Chuo Mee Leh, Adeline (Geriatric Medicine)
 Dinesh Nair (Cardiology)
 Goh Boon Kee (Dermatology)
 Greaves, Malcolm Waston (Dermatology)
 Hsu Li Fern (Cardiology)
 Kee Yi Shern, Terence (Renal Medicine)
 Koh Boon Chai, Mickey (Haematology)
 Lai Yeow Loong (Internal Medicine)
 Law Weng Giap (Rhematology)
 Lee Siong See, Joyce (Dermatology)
 Leong Kui Toh, Gerard (Cardiology)
 Leong Yi Onn, Ian (Geriatric Medicine)
 Lim Thiam Seong, Christopher (Renal Medicine)
 Lim Thian Chai (Internal Medicine)
 Lim Wee Chian (Gasteroenterology)
 Loh Lih Ming (Endocrinology)
 Loh Su Ming, Yvonne (Haematology)
 Loh Teck Hiong, Henry (Dermatology)
 Low Fatt Hoe, Adrian (Cardiology)
 McLean, Roslyn Beatric (Rehabilitation Medicine)
 Merchant, Reshma Aziz (Geriatric Medicine)
 Ng Chee Keong (Cardiology)
 Ng See Ket (Dermatology)
 Ng Yee Sien (Rehabilitation Medicine)
 Ong Hean Yee (Cardiology)
 Poon Yew Hee, Donald (Medical Oncology)
 Salim Lim (Renal Medicine)

See Chai Keat (Cardiology)
 Seow Chuen Chai, Dennis (Geriatric Medicine)
 Tan Choon Kiat, Nigel (Neurology)
 Tan Hui Sieng, Florence (Endocrinology)
 Tee Kim Huat, Augustine (Respiratory Medicine)
 Teo Swee Guan (Cardiology)
 Theng Thiam Seng, Colin (Dermatology)
 Thomas Colleen Kim (Internal Medicine)
 Umapathi N Thirugnanam (Neurology)
 Wong Heng Yu (Gastroenterology)
 Wu Huei Yaw (Geriatric Medicine)
 Yoon Kam Hon (Rheumatology)

Psychiatrists

Chen Teck Meng
 Fernandez, George Joseph
 Kua Hai Kiat, Joshua
 Kwek Seow Khee
 Ng Koon Hock
 Lee Su Lan
 Sung Min

Public Health and Occupational Physicians

Annelise Van Halem Wilder-Smith (Public Health)
 Tan Hung Yong, Richard (Occupational Medicine)

Radiologists

Ajit Kumar Padhy (Nuclear Medicine)
 Arvind Kumar Sinha (Nuclear Medicine)
 Chiang Siew Hwa (Diagnostic Radiology)
 Das Deepti (Diagnostic Radiology)
 Htoo Maung Myint (Diagnostic Radiology)
 Khoo Teng Kew (Diagnostic Radiology)
 Low Su Chong, Albert (Diagnostic Radiology)
 Lu Jiade, Jay (Radiation Oncology)
 Ng Boon Keat (Diagnostic Radiology)
 Ng Leng Tai (Diagnostic Radiology)
 Ong Seng Chuan (Nuclear Medicine)
 P Chandra Mohan (Diagnostic Radiology)
 Pay Khim Hui (Diagnostic Radiology)
 Tan Gee Seng, Andrew (Diagnostic Radiology)
 Teh Hui Seong (Diagnostic Radiology)

Surgeons

Chan Kwai Onn (Otorhinolaryngology)
 Chan Shao-Wah, Georgette Geraldine (General Surgery)
 Chao Tar Toong, Victor (Cardiothoracic Surgery)
 Chen Chung Ming (General Surgery)
 Chin Yuan Hui, Andrew (Hand Surgery)
 Chiong, Edmund (Urology)
 Chng Nai Wee (Ophthalmology)
 Chng Siew Ping (General Surgery)
 Chong Khin Sze, Alphonsus (Hand Surgery)
 Chua Wei Han (Ophthalmology)
 Diddapur, Ravishankar Krishnamurthy (General Surgery)
 Fong Yan Kit (Urology)
 Guo Chang Ming (Orthopaedic Surgery)
 Ho Choon Kiat (General Surgery)
 Hwang Ying Khai, Peter (Neurosurgery)
 Iyer Shridhar Ganpathi (General Surgery)
 Lee Sao Bing (Ophthalmology)

Liauw Joo Yen, Jennifer (General Surgery)
 Lim Ing Ruen (Otorhinolaryngology)
 Mathew George Sebastian (General Surgery)
 Ng Tze Kiat (Urology)
 Ooi Oon Cheong (Cardiothoracic Surgery)
 Pan Chuan-Hsin, James (Ophthalmology)
 Preetha Madhukumar (General Surgery)
 Quah Hak Mien (General Surgery)
 Shanker Pasupathy (General Surgery)
 Sim Hong Gee (Urology)
 Tan Hiang Khoon (General Surgery)
 Tan Kiat Tee, Benita (General Surgery)
 Tan Ter Chyan (Hand Surgery)
 Tan Wan Hui, Nikolle (Ophthalmology)
 Tan Yah Yuen (General Surgery)
 Tang Kok Kee (Neurosurgery)
 Toh Khai Lee (Urology)
 Wang Jenn Chyuan (Ophthalmology)
 Wong Siang Yih, Andrew (General Surgery)
 Yeo Wan Yan, Allen (General Surgery)
 Yeo Yew San, Ian (Ophthalmology)
 Yip Wei Leon, Leonard (Ophthalmology)
 Yong Khet Yau, Vernon (Ophthalmology)

The following four Academicians were admitted to **Ordinary Membership** of the Academy of Medicine, Singapore for the year 2005:

Public Health and Occupational Physicians

Chua Swee Boon, Raymond (Public Health)
 Vineta Bhalla (Public Health)

Paediatricians

Lam Ching Mei, Joyce
 Tan Woon Hui, Natalie

SPECIALIST TRAINING COMMITTEES

Members of Specialist Training Committees for the Term 1 September 2004 to 31 August 2006

Anaesthesiology

Professor Lee Tat Leang

Dr Chan Soo Toon
 Assoc Professor Chen Fun Gee
 Dr Eugene Chin
 Dr Thomas Lew
 Dr Agnes Ng
 Dr Ong Biauwei Chi
 Cl A/Prof Koh Kwong Fah
 Dr Alex Sia

Cardiology

Assoc Professor Lim Yeap Teng

Dr Terrance Chua
 Cl Assoc Professor Koh Tian Hai
 Dr Jayaram Lingamanaicker
 Dr Low Lip Ping
 Dr Ng Kheng Siang
 Dr Tan Huay Cheem

Cardiothoracic Surgery	Professor Lee Chuen Neng Dr T Agasthian Dr Chua Yeow Leng Dr S Shankar Dr Joseph Sheares Dr Tong Ming Chuan Assoc Professor Wong Poo Sing	Geriatric Medicine	Assoc Professor Pang Weng Sun Cl Assoc Professor Philip Choo Dr Chan Kin Ming Dr Ding Yew Yoong Dr Ee Chye Hua Dr Carol Goh Dr Christopher Lien Dr James Alvin Low
Dermatology	Cl Professor Goh Chee Leok Cl Assoc Professor Roy Chan Dr Cheong Wai Kwong Dr Tan Suat Hoon Dr Tay Yong Kwang Dr T Thirumorthy Dr Chua Sze Hon	Haematology	Dr Goh Yeow Tee Dr Ponnudurai Kuperan Dr Lee Lai Heng Dr Liu Te Chih Dr Ronald Paul Ng Dr Diana Teo Dr Ting Wen Chang
Diagnostic Radiology	Assoc Professor Wang Shih-Chang Assoc Professor Thomas Chee Dr Francis Hui Professor Wilfred Peh Cl Professor David Stringer Dr Tan Bien Soo Dr Tan Tiong Yong Dr Harvey Teo Dr James Khoo Dr Michael Clarke	Hand Surgery	Assoc Professor Teoh Lam Chuan Dr Aymeric Lim Professor Robert Pho Assoc Professor Agnes Tan Dr Yong Fok Chuan
Emergency Medicine	Cl Professor Venkataraman Anantharaman Dr Goh Siang Hiong Dr Francis Lee Assoc Professor Lim Swee Han Cl Assoc Professor Peter Manning Dr Ng Kee Chong Cl Assoc Professor Shirley Ooi Assoc Professor Eillyne Seow Dr Sim Tiong Peng	Infectious Disease	Dr Brenda Ang Dr Leo Yee Sin Dr Helen Oh Assoc Professor Paul Tambyah Dr Tan Ban Hock Dr Wong Sin Yew
Endocrinology	Cl Assoc Professor C Rajasoorya Dr Daphne Khoo Professor Lee Kok Onn Dr Lim Heok Seng Dr Soon Puay Cheow Assoc Professor Thai Ah Chuan	Internal Medicine	Cl Professor Chee Yam Cheng Dr Chew Chin Hin Dr Kenneth Liew Cl Assoc Professor Ng Keng Yeen Professor Vernon Oh Cl Assoc Professor Ong Yong Yau Assoc Professor Benjamin Ong Dr Tay Jam Chin Dr Teo Eng Kiong
Gastroenterology	Professor Fock Kwong Ming Professor Ng Han Seong Assoc Professor Ng Keng Yeen Dr Lim Chee Chian Assoc Professor Lim Seng Gee Assoc Professor Yeoh Khay Guan	Medical Oncology	Professor John Wong Dr Ang Peng Tiam Dr Koo Wen Hsin Dr Lim Hong Liang Dr Tan Yew Oo Dr Sandeep Kumar Rajan Dr Robert Lim
General Surgery	Professor Soo Khee Chee Assoc Professor John Isaac Cl Professor Low Cheng Hock Dr Ngoi Sing Shang Cl Assoc Professor Lucien London Ooi Dr Tay Khoon Hean Cl Assoc Professor Wong Wai Keong	Neurology	Assoc Professor Benjamin Ong Dr Chang Hui Meng Cl Assoc Professor Lim Shih Hui Adj Assoc Professor Loong Si Chin Dr Tan Chai Beng Dr T Umapathi
		Neurosurgery	Assoc Professor Chumpon Chan Dr Chou Ning Dr Ho Kee Hang Cl Assoc Professor Ong Peck Leong Dr Seow Wan Tew Dr Yeo Tseng Tsai

Nuclear Medicine	Dr Anthony Goh Dr Yvonne Ho Dr David Ng Dr Shahid Mahmood	Paediatric Surgery	Assoc Professor K Prabhakaran Dr Cheah Siew Leng Dr Anette Jacobsen Dr Sim Chiang Khi Dr Chui Chan Hon
Obstetric & Gynaecology	Cl Assoc Professor Ho Tew Hong Dr Chang Tou Choong Assoc Professor Mary Rauff Dr Tan Kok Hian Dr Tay Eng Hseon Cl Assoc Professor Tay Sun Kuie Assoc Professor Yong Eu Leong Dr Yu Su Ling	Pathology (Main Committee)	Professor Aileen Wee Assoc Professor Gilbert Lau Assoc Professor Sunil K Sethi Dr Tan Ai Ling Assoc Professor Tan Puay Hoon
Occupational Medicine	Professor David Koh Dr (LTC) Gregory Chan Dr Magdalene Chan Professor Chia Kee Seng Assoc Professor Chia Sin Eng Adj Assoc Professor Lee Hock Siang Dr Lee See Muah Dr (Col) Richard Tan	Chemical Pathology (Subcommittee)	Assoc Professor Sunil K Sethi Dr Robert Hawkins Dr Wong Moh Sim Dr Yeo Chin Pin
Ophthalmology	Cl Professor Ang Chong Lye Dr Pauline Cheong Assoc Professor Paul Chew Dr Heng Wee Jin Dr Aliza Jap Dr Lim Tock Han Cl Assoc Professor Ong Sze Guan Dr Ronald Yeoh	Forensic Pathology (Subcommittee)	Assoc Professor Gilbert Lau Dr Paul Chui Dr Clarence Tan Dr Wee Keng Poh Dr Lai Siang Hui Dr George Paul
Orthopaedic Surgery	Professor Das De Shamal Dr Chin Thaim Wai Professor V Prem Kumar Dr Lai Choon Hin Dr Lo Ngai Nung Dr Low Cheng Ooi Assoc Professor Tan Seang Beng Dr Wong Ho Poh	Histopathology (Subcommittee)	Assoc Professor Tan Puay Hoon Dr Chew Sung Hock Dr Chuah Khooon Leong Dr Jacqueline Hwang Dr Poh Wee Teng Assoc Professor Teh Ming Dr Anjula Thomas
Otorhinolaryngology	Cl Assoc Professor Low Wong Kein Dr Abhilash Balakrishnan Dr Chew Chuan Tieh Cl Assoc Professor Christopher Goh Dr Peter Lu Assoc Professor Luke Tan Dr Samuel Yeak	Medical Microbiology (Subcommittee)	Dr Tan Ai Ling Dr Timothy Barkham Dr Gamini Kumarasinghe Dr Raymond Lin Dr Ling Ai Ee Dr Nancy Tee
Paediatric Medicine	Professor Low Poh Sim Dr Irene Chan Dr Chay Oh Moh Cl Assoc Professor Ho Lai Yun Adj Assoc Professor Lee Bee Wah Dr Lim Sok Bee Assoc Professor Quak Seng Hock Professor Yap Hui Kim	Plastic Surgery	Professor Foo Chee Liam Dr Fong Poh Him Cl Professor Lee Seng Teik Assoc Professor Lim Thiam Chye Dr Colin Song Dr Tan Kok Chai
		Psychiatry	Cl Assoc Professor Rathi Mahendran Assoc Professor Calvin Fones Assoc Professor Ko Soo Meng Cl Assoc Professor Leslie Lim Dr Ng Li Ling Cl Assoc Professor Ong Thiew Chai Dr Yap Hwa Ling
		Public Health Medicine	Cl Assoc Professor Goh Kee Tai Dr Arthur Chern Assoc Professor Chew Suok Kai Dr Jeffery Cutter Professor Lee Hin Peng Assoc Professor Lim Meng Kin Assoc Professor Wong Mee Lian Dr Mabel Yap

Radiation Oncology	Dr Vijay Kumar Sethi Dr Michael Back Dr Chua Eu Tiong Dr Lee Khai Mun Dr Lee Kim Shang Dr Edward Yang
Rehabilitation Medicine	Dr Kong Keng He Dr William Chan Dr Peter Lim Dr Adela Tow Dr Sherry Young
Renal Medicine	Dr Wong Kok Seng Dr Lina Choong Assoc Professor Evan Lee Dr Grace Lee Dr Sivaraman Pary Dr A Vathsala
Respiratory Medicine	Cl Assoc Professor Sonny Wang Dr Cynthia Chee Cl Assoc Professor Philip Eng Dr Hui Kok Pheng Assoc Professor Lee Kang Hoe Assoc Professor Lim Tow Keang Cl Assoc Professor Sin Fai Lam
Rheumatology	Assoc Professor Fong Kok Yong Assoc Professor Boey Mee Leng Dr Howe Hwee Siew Dr Ng Swee Cheng Dr Julian Thumboo
Urology	Professor Foo Keong Tatt Cl Assoc Professor Christopher Cheng Cl Assoc Professor Chia Sing Joo Dr David Consigliere Dr Ng Foo Cheong Dr Tan Eng Choon

MEDICAL CONGRESSES AND SCIENTIFIC MEETINGS/ WORKSHOPS ORGANISED/ SERVICED BY THE ACADEMY IN 2005-2006

28-30 January 2005

5th Regional MRCOG Part 2 Exam Training Course

College of Obstetricians and Gynaecologists, Singapore, Royal College of Obstetricians and Gynaecologists, KK Women's and Children's Hospital and KKH Examination Oriented Training Committee

19-20 February 2005

14th Annual Scientific Meeting

College of Radiologists, Singapore and Singapore Radiological Society

22-23 April 2005

1st Singapore Public Health and Occupational Medicine Conference

Chapter of Public Health and Occupational Physicians, Academy of Medicine, Singapore

30 June-3 July 2005

39th Singapore-Malaysia Congress of Medicine

Academy of Medicine, Singapore incorporating

Dental Surgery Symposia

*Chapter of Dental Surgeons,
Academy of Medicine, Singapore*

16th Annual Scientific Meeting

*Chapter of Pathologists, Academy of Medicine, Singapore
and Singapore Society of Pathology*

Psychiatry Sessions

*Chapter of Psychiatrists,
Academy of Medicine, Singapore*

Anaesthesiology Workshop

College of Anaesthesiologists, Singapore

Obstetric and Gynaecology Sessions

College of Obstetricians and Gynaecologists, Singapore

Paediatric Symposia

College of Paediatrics and Child Health, Singapore

2nd Annual Scientific Meeting

College of Physicians, Singapore

Radiology Symposia

College of Radiologists, Singapore

Surgery Sessions

College of Surgeons, Singapore

14-15 January 2006

Singapore Cardiac CT Course

Chapter of Cardiologists, College of Physicians, Singapore and College of Radiologists, Singapore

20-22 January 2006

6th Regional MRCOG Part 2 Exam Training Course

College of Obstetricians and Gynaecologists, Singapore, Royal College of Obstetricians and Gynaecologists, KK Women's and Children's Hospital and KKH Examination Oriented Training Committee

16-17 February 2006

5th Regional Workshop on Medical Writing for Radiologists

College of Radiologists, Singapore and Singapore Radiological Society

18-19 February 2006

15th Annual Scientific Meeting

College of Radiologists, Singapore and Singapore Radiological Society

13 -14 July 2006

2nd Singapore Public Health and Occupational Medicine Conference

Chapter of Public Health and Occupational Physicians, Academy of Medicine, Singapore

22-23 July 2006

3rd Annual Scientific Meeting

College of Physicians, Singapore

19-22 August 2006

Annual Singapore Paediatric Congress (ASPC)

College of Paediatrics and Child Health Singapore and Singapore Paediatric Society

August 2006

16th General Scientific Meeting

College of Anaesthesiologists, Singapore and Singapore Society of Anaesthesiologists

1 -3 September 2006

8th Annual Meeting of the Asia Pacific Association of Paediatric Urologists

Academy of Medicine, Singapore & KK Women's & Childrens' Hospital

September 2006

17th Annual Scientific Meeting

Chapter of Pathologists, Academy of Medicine, Singapore and Singapore Society of Pathology

November 2006

Congress of Surgery 2006

College of Surgeons, Singapore

LIST OF RECIPIENTS FOR LECTURESHIPS AND MEDALS

Lectureship / Medals	2005	2004	2003	2002	2001
Galloway Memorial Lectureship	Assoc Prof Tan Puay Hoon	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
Seah Cheng Siang Research/ Travelling Fellowships	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
G A Ransome Gold Medal	Nil	Nil	Nil	Dr Phua Ghee Chee	Dr Paul T L Chiam
Academy of Medicine Gold Medal	Miss Chay Pui Ling (Book Prize)	Ms Sharon S X Poh	Mr Lum Jing Li (Book Prize)	Ms Edelweis S F Tan (Book Prize)	Ms Lum Ooi Ying (Book Prize)

Chapter of Dental Surgeons

2005 - 2006 Committee Members



Standing (left to right):

Dr Varawan Sae-Lim (Co-opted Member), Dr Keson Tan (Co-opted Member), Dr Neo Tee Khin (Committee Member), Dr Victor Fan (Committee Member)

Seated (left to right):

Dr Christina Sim (Co-opted Member), Dr Ansgar Cheng (Vice-Chairman), Dr Chan Siew Luen (Chairman), Dr Andrew Aw (Honorary Secretary), Dr Marianne Ong (Committee Member)

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The 25th Annual General Meeting of the Chapter of Dental Surgeons was held on Friday, 22 July 2005 6.30pm, at the Lee Kong Chian Room, Academy of Medicine, Singapore, 142 Neil Road, Singapore 088871.

The following office-bearers for the year 2005-2006 were elected:

Chairman	: Dr Chan Siew Luen
Vice-Chairman	: Dr Cheng Chi-Chung, Ansgar
Honorary Secretary	: Dr Aw Kian-Li, Andrew
Committee Members	: Dr Fan Tai Weng, Victor Dr Neo Tee Khin Dr Ong Meng Ann, Marianne
Co-opted Members	: Dr Sae-Lim, Varawan Dr Tan Beng Choon, Keson Dr Sim Poh Choo, Christina

MEMBERSHIP

The total membership of the Chapter now stands at 150.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS

The 2004-2005 Committee held 3 Committee Meetings from the period of January 2005 to June 2005. The 2005-2006 Committee held 2 Committee Meetings from the period of July 2005 to December 2005. This was supplemented by active circulation and feedback on important issues via electronic mail, in which all committee members enthusiastically participated.

ACTIVITIES

Continuing Dental Education (CDE)

The following lectures were organised as part of the Chapter's efforts to promote continuing dental education:

5 May 2005

Implant Treatment Planning and Rehabilitation of the Anterior Maxilla

(co-organised with Prosthodontics Society (Singapore))

Assistant Professor: Dr Willy S.W. Chang

Chairperson: Dr Ansgar Cheng

3 Aug 2005

Periodontal Considerations in the Management of Impacted Anterior Teeth

(co-organised with Society of Periodontology (Singapore), Department of Preventive Dentistry, National University Hospital)

Consultant: Dr Marianne Ong

Chairperson: Dr Lim Lum Peng

5 October 2005

Challenges in the Diagnosis of Endodontic Pain

(Co-organised with Society of Endodontists Singapore)

Dr Lim Kian Chong (Gerald Private Practice)

Chairperson: Dr Benjamin Charles Long

10 November 2005

Clinical Controversies: Role of Platelet Rich Plasma

(Co-organised with Department of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery, Faculty of Dentistry, NUS)

Dr Chan Siew Luen (Private Practice restricted to Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery)

Chairperson: Dr Victor Fan

CHAPTER'S DISTANCE LEARNING PROGRAMME

Fellows can access the DLP at <http://www.ams.edu.sg/> with the member login. The DLP modules are from the specialties of Endodontics, Oral & Maxillofacial Surgery, Paediatric Dentistry, Periodontics, Prosthodontics and Oral Pathology. The DLP consists of an article that participants can read up on and 5 Multiple Choice Questions (MCQ) of 4 options where 1 option is the correct answer. There should be at least 3 questions answered correctly in order to pass the module.

The DLP will be accumulating actual CPE points. A pass in one module will be awarded with one point. Fellows are encouraged to participate in the DLP, regardless of speciality. A feedback form can be downloaded from the website, if any Fellow wishes to give any suggestions or comments.

CONTINUING PROFESSIONAL EDUCATION (CPE)

Academy of Medicine, Singapore obtained accreditation as a CPE provider for the dental specialties. In addition to DLP, the Chapter aims to organize one full day meeting and several lectures to meet the requirement of 15 hours per two-year cycle as an accredited provider.

Fellows may visit the SDC website at http://www.sdc.gov.sg/html/SDC_CPDS.html for more information on the CPE.

Upcoming CPE Lectures

Please visit the Chapter's website (<http://www.ams.edu.sg/chapters/dental4.cfm>) for further updates.

ADVANCED DENTAL SPECIALTY TRAINING

Published in January 2002, the training criteria for Dental Advanced Specialty Training contain the training requirements for the 6 recognised dental specialties: Endodontics, Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery, Orthodontics, Paediatric Dentistry, Periodontology and Prosthodontics.

It is now available on the Chapter's website at: <http://www.ams.edu.sg/chapters/dentalSurgeonsCriteria.cfm>.

Six dental specialty boards were formed to look into the revision of the Criteria for Dental Specialty Training Programmes as well as formalisation of the exit certification guidelines and procedures. The Chapter is currently looking into the re-certification process.

INTERIM CRITERIA TO FAMS

The Academy of Medicine, Singapore aspires to be the representative organization for all suitably qualified specialists in Singapore. To achieve this end, our Constitution stipulates the following criteria for attaining Fellowship for members of the dental profession under Section 1.1 Article 7(b):

- (b) Fellowship shall be open to qualified members of the Dental profession holding a qualification registrable with the Singapore Dental Council who
- (i) Have successfully completed an advanced specialty programme approved by the Academy for purposes of Fellowship admission; or
- (ii) Have been practicing a specialty for at least five years after full registration, of which at least two years must have been in an accredited department after acquiring an entry qualification, or in the case of candidates in approved restricted private practice, at least seven years after full registration, of which at least forty months must have been in approved restricted private practice in a recognized specialty after acquiring an entry qualification for specialist training acceptable to the Academy; and are of good general character and conduct, as testified to by three referees, two of whom must be Fellows of the Academy.

The Chapter of Dental Surgeons recognizes the fact that these criteria may not be the only measure of a dental specialist's skill and competence, and that they have prevented us from admitting some suitably qualified dental specialists into the Academy. As such, the Chapter has proposed and the Council has approved a peer-review process as an "Interim Criteria" to admit suitably qualified specialists into Fellowship.

The requirements of the Interim Criteria are as follows:

A. General Requirements:

1. *Minimum Time and Qualifications*
The applicant must have a minimum of 7 years of practice in the chosen specialty of which at least one year is spent in a full-time coursework program conducted by a recognized institution, leading to a higher qualification in that specialty. This qualification must be registered with the Singapore Dental Council and accepted by the Academy of Medicine, Singapore for the purpose of this admission exercise.
2. *Log of Cases*
The applicant must submit a log of cases to the Academy in accordance with the specification of the respective specialty board. The applicant must declare that he/she is the primary clinician in charge in these cases and that only verifiable cases (records available) can be submitted unless otherwise exempted by the respective specialty board.
3. *Case Presentation*
The applicant must present a selection of cases to a panel in accordance to the specification of the respective specialty board. The applicant must declare that he is the primary clinician in charge of these cases unless otherwise exempted by the respective specialty board.
4. *Exit Interview*
The applicant must attend an interview with a panel in accordance to the specification of the respective specialty board.
5. The decision of the Academy of Medicine, Singapore is final.

B. Specialty-Specific Requirements

This is available upon application.

OUTREACH PROGRAMME

Induction Ceremony

The Induction Ceremony was held jointly with the Opening Ceremony of the 39th Singapore-Malaysia Congress of Medicine on 30 June 2005 at Shangri-la hotel.

Dr Basanti Sankaran, Dr Lisa Tan, Dr Myra Elliott, and Dr Baldev Singh were inducted at the induction ceremony held.

The Chapter would like to take this opportunity to welcome them.

In recognition of Dr Yeo Jin Fei's contributions and long service on the Academy's Council for a total of 11 years, the Master presented Dr Yeo the Council Medal at the Induction Ceremony. Dr Yeo served as Chairman of the Chapter of Dental Surgeons for 3 years and as Censor for a consecutive period of 8 years. He is the first dental Fellow to receive the Council Medal. Heartiest congratulations to Dr Yeo!

39th Singapore-Malaysia Congress of Medicine, 31 June 2005-3 July 2005

The Chapter organised a one-day Dental Session on Sunday, 3 July 2005 in conjunction with the 39th Singapore-Malaysia Congress of Medicine. The theme for the Congress this year was "Celebrating 100 Years of Medical Education".

Professor Cheung Lim Kwong was invited to present lectures on "Cranio-maxillofacial Reconstructive Surgery and Maxillofacial Distraction Osteogenesis". Dr Cheung, who is the Associate Dean in Research and Discovery and Chair Professor in Oral & Maxillofacial Surgery of the Faculty of Dentistry, University of Hong Kong, presented 2 symposia. The first symposium was entitled "Advances in Cranio-maxillofacial Reconstructive Surgery" and the second symposium was entitled "Recent Advances in Maxillofacial Distraction Osteogenesis". Dr Myra Elliot and Dr Chan Siew Luen were the chairpersons for the symposia respectively.

Newsletter

The Chapter's second and third issue Newsletter was circulated to all Fellows of the Chapter and featured the latest updates on Chapter matters and other announcements. The Chapter welcomes feedback to improve the newsletter.

APPRECIATION

The Chapter wishes to record its appreciation and thanks to the Master, all Council members and the Fellows for their kind support.

December 2005
Dr Andrew Aw
Honorary Secretary
2005-2006 Chapter of Dental Surgeons

Chapter of Pathologists

2005 - 2006 Committee Members



Standing (Left to Right):

Dr Yeo Chin Pin (Co-opted Member), Dr Jacqueline S G Hwang (Committee Member), Dr George Paul (Committee Member) and Dr Raymond T P Lin (Co-opted Member)

Seated (Left to Right):

Dr Yap Wai Ming (Vice-Chairman), Dr Tan Ai Ling (Chairperson) and Dr Cuthbert E S Teo (Honorary Secretary)

Absent:

Dr Ponnudurai Kuperan (Committee Member) and Dr Tan Puay Hoon (Co-opted Member)

19TH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The 19th Annual General Meeting of the Chapter of Pathologists was held on Friday, 22 July 2005 at the Library, #03-16, Department of Pathology, Singapore General Hospital, Outram Road, Singapore 169608.

The following office-bearers for the year 2005 – 2006 were elected:

Chairperson	:	Dr Tan Ai Ling
Vice-Chairman	:	Dr Yap Wai Ming
Honorary Secretary	:	Dr Cuthbert E S Teo
Committee Members	:	Dr Jacqueline S G Hwang Dr George Paul Dr Ponnudurai Kuperan
Co-opted Members	:	Dr Raymond T P Lin Dr Tan Puay Hoon Dr Yeo Chin Pin

MEMBERSHIP

The total membership of the Chapter as at 31 December 2005 stands at 58.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS

The Committee held four meetings during the year 2004.

ACTIVITIES**1. Continuing Medical Education (CME)**

- 1.1 The Chapter co-organised the following lecture, with the Singapore Society of Pathology:

18 March 2005

Malignant Skin Adnexal Tumours

A/Prof Phillip Henry Mckee

Director of Dermatopathology, Brigham & Women's Hospital & Consultant Pathologist, The Children's Hospital, Boston, Massachusetts, USA

Chairperson: Dr Sim Chee Seng

1 December 2005

Inherited Metabolic Disorders in Singapore – 13 Years' Experience

Dr Tan It Koon

Former Consultant Clinical Biochemist, Department of Pathology, Singapore General Hospital

Chairperson: Dr Robert Hawkins

- 1.2 The Chapter co-organised the following lecture with the Department of Pathology & Laboratory Medicine, Tan Tock Seng Hospital and the Singapore Society of Pathology:

24 May 2005

Iron Overload & Deficiency - Live Internet Broadcast Session:

Recent Advances in the Laboratory Diagnosis of Iron Deficiency

Dr Daryl Nicol

Principal Managing Scientist, Laboratory Medicine Division, Royal Perth Hospital, Western Australia

Current Approaches to the Management of Iron Deficiency

Dr Paul Cannel

Clinical Haematologist & Head, Department of Haematology, Royal Perth Hospital, Western Australia

Hereditary Haemochromatosis: From Bench to Clinical Practice

Prof John Olynyck

Gastroenterologist & Hepatologist, School of Medicine & Pharmacology, Fremantle Hospital, Western Australia

Non-HFE Iron Overload

Dr Ric Rossi

Research & Development Biochemist at PathCentre, Queen Elizabeth II Medical Centre, Western Australia

Local Facilitator: Dr Robert Hawkins

- 1.3 The Chapter co-organised the following lecture with the Singapore Society of Pathology & Society of Infectious Diseases (Singapore):

24 October 2005

Mechanism & Detection of Antifungal Drug Resistance

Dr David S Perlin

President & Scientific Director, Public Health Research Institute, International Centre for Public Health & Professor, Department of Microbiology & Molecular Genetics, New Jersey Medical School, Newark, New Jersey, USA

Chairperson: A/Prof Leo Yee Sin

- 1.4 The Chapter co-organised the following Slide Update Session with the Singapore Society of Pathology and the Singapore Society of Haematology:

17 November 2005

Haematopathology Slide Seminar

Dr Tien Sim Leng

Senior Consultant, Department of Haematology, Singapore General Hospital

Dr Ho Liam Pock

Associate Consultant, Department of Pathology, Singapore General Hospital

Dr Noorainun Bte Haji Mohamad Yusof

Department of Haematology/Oncology, National University Hospital

Dr Ponnudurai Kuperan

Senior Consultant, Department of Pathology & Laboratory Medicine, Tan Tock Seng Hospital

Dr Fong Sing Zern

Registrar, Department of Pathology & Laboratory Medicine, Tan Tock Seng Hospital

Chairperson: Dr Ponnudurai Kuperan

- 1.5 The Chapter and the Singapore Society of Pathology was a nominal sponsor at the following lecture organised by the Medico-Legal Society, Singapore:

18 May 2005

The Challenges of Forensic Medicine in the New Age

Dr Mitra B. Kalelkar

Assistant Chief Medical Examiner, Cook County, Illinois, USA

Chairperson: Dr Wee Keng Poh

- 1.6 The Chapter and the Singapore Society of Pathology was a nominal sponsor at the following lecture organised by the Medico-Legal Society, Singapore and the Centre for Analytical Science, Health Sciences Authority:

16 November 2005

From Hero to Zero: The Fall of the Expert Witness

Prof Michael Green

Emeritus Professor of Forensic Pathology, University of Sheffield, UK

Chairperson: Dr Wee Keng Poh

- 1.7 The Chapter was a nominal sponsor at the following event by the Society of Colposcopy & Cervical Pathology of Singapore and the Department of Obstetrics & Gynaecology, Singapore General Hospital:

5 – 6 March 2005

10th Annual Colposcopy Course & 11th Annual Oration

Teaching faculty:

Prof Ronald W Jones, A/Prof Ho Tew Hong, A/Prof Giam Yoke Chin, A/Prof A llancheran, A/Prof Tay Sun Kuie, Dr Chew Ling, Dr Chew Sung Hock, Dr Fong Kah Leng, Dr Jacqueline S G Hwang, Dr Lee I Wuen, Dr Jeffrey H L Low, Dr Quek Swee Chong, Dr Pritam Singh, Dr Tay Eng Hseon, Dr Adeline Wong, Dr Lisa Wong and Dr Philip K L Yam.

- 1.8 The Chapter co-organised the following taped Microbiology Audio-Conference Sessions (Microbiology Tutorial Sessions), with the Singapore Society of Pathology:

9 May 2005

Just a Swab, You Say??? Balderdash

Dr Paul Bourbeau, PhD, ABMM

Director, Microbiology Associate, Geisinger Medical Laboratories, Geisinger Medical Center, Danville, PA, USA

Co-ordinator: Dr Tan Ai Ling

20 June 2005

Molecular Diagnostics in the Management of Hepatitis C Virus Infections

Dr Duane Newton, PhD in Biology

Assistant Director, Clinical Microbiology & Virology Laboratories, University of Michigan Medical Center & Clinical Assistant Professor, Department of Pathology University of Michigan Medical School, Michigan, USA

Co-ordinator: Dr Chan Kwai Peng

18 July 2005

Reaching your Clinicians: How to Make Changes in Microbiology

Dr Nancy E Cornish

Director, Microbiology, The Pathology Center & Children's & Methodist Hospitals, Omaha, Nebraska, USA

Co-ordinator: Dr Koh Tse Hsien

12 September 2005

What is a Wound Specimen & What Rules Do We Have for Microbiology Work-up?

Prof William E Brown, PhD

Professor, Department of Biological Sciences, Carnegie Mellon University, Pittsburgh, USA

Co-ordinator: Dr Mavis G C Yeo

- 1.9 The Breast Pathology Interest Group of the Chapter co-organised with the Singapore Society of Pathology, a Breast Pathology Slide Club/Symposium session. It was incorporated into the Chapter's 16th Annual Scientific Meeting held on 2 July 2005 at Magnolia 4, Level 3, Grand Hyatt Singapore. It was held in conjunction with the 39th Singapore-Malaysia Congress of Medicine, a meeting of the Academy of Medicine, Singapore from 30 June to 3 July 2005.

2 July 2005

Breast Pathology Symposium

Telomerase Activity in Breast Pathology

Prof Looi Lai Meng

President, College of Pathologists, Academy of Medicine, Malaysia & Senior Consultant Histopathologist, Department of Pathology, Faculty of Medicine, University of Malaya, Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia

Borderline Breast Lesions

Dr Tan Puay Hoon

Senior Consultant & Head, Histopathology Section, Department of Pathology, Singapore General Hospital

Is There a Role for Sentinel Lymph Node Biopsy in DCIS of Breast?

Dr Thomas C Putti

Assistant Professor & Senior Consultant, Department of Pathology, National University Hospital

Chairperson: A/Prof Tan Puay Hoon

2. PERINATAL & PAEDIATRIC PATHOLOGY UPDATE, 8 JANUARY 2005

The Chapter of Pathologists, Academy of Medicine, Singapore and the Pathology Specialist Training Committee, Histopathology Subcommittee organised a Perinatal and Paediatric Pathology Update. It was held on 8 January 2005 at the Conference Room, Level 2, #02-16, Department of Pathology, Singapore General Hospital. Registration was complimentary. There was a total attendance of 24 participants. The aim of this course was to fill participants with an approach to the perinatal/paediatric autopsy and to provide pathological insights into common paediatric tumours. The main target audience were histopathology trainees, medical officers, specialist pathologists/non-pathologists and other clinical colleagues. The scientific programme comprised a lecture on "An Approach to the Perinatal Autopsy", a paediatric slide seminar, 2 question and

answer sessions and a slide quiz. The visiting expert was Dr Ang Hui Kheng, Visiting Consultant, Department of Pathology, Singapore General Hospital. Dr Yap Wai Ming was the Chairperson.

3. 16TH ANNUAL SCIENTIFIC MEETING – 39TH SINGAPORE-MALAYSIA CONGRESS OF MEDICINE, 30 JUNE - 2 JULY 2005

The 16th Annual Scientific Meeting (half-day symposia) of the Chapter of Pathologists, Academy of Medicine Singapore and the Singapore Society of Pathology took place on 2 July 2005. The venue was at Magnolia 4, Level 3, Grand Hyatt Singapore. It was held in conjunction with the 39th Singapore-Malaysia Congress of Medicine, a meeting of the Academy of Medicine, Singapore held from 30 June to 3 July 2005.

This meeting comprised 2 symposia:

Symposium 1: Breast Pathology

- i) Prof Looi Lai Meng - Telomerase Activity in Breast Pathology
- ii) A/Prof Tan Puay Hoon – Borderline Breast Lesions
- iii) Dr Thomas C Putti – Is There a Role for Sentinel Lymph Node Biopsy in DCIS of Breast?

Symposium 2: Infectious Diseases – Review and Update

- i) Dr Hsu Li Yang – Community-associated and Nosocomial MRSA in Singapore
- ii) Dr Koh Tse Hsien – Clostridium difficile in Singapore
- iii) Dr Sng Li-Hwei – Update in the Laboratory Diagnosis of Tuberculosis

A free papers session and a Best Paper Award competition took place. The competition was open to all local trainees and clinical associates attached to a hospital/university department of pathology/laboratory medicine. A total of 6 free papers were presented of which 4 competed for the Best Paper Award. The panel of judges comprised: A/Prof Gilbert S C Chiang, Prof Looi Lai Meng and Dr Thomas C Putti. The winner was Dr Victor W L Ng, Department of Pathology, Singapore General Hospital. A trade exhibition was held in conjunction with the Singapore-Malaysia Congress of Medicine. Acre Engineering Pte Ltd was a sponsor of the 16th Annual Scientific Meeting.

40TH MALAYSIA-SINGAPORE CONGRESS OF MEDICINE, 2006

The Congress of Medicine, a meeting of the Academies of Medicine, Malaysia and Singapore, is held bi-annually and rotated between the two organisations to host the meeting. The Academy of Medicine, Malaysia will host the 40th Malaysia-

Singapore Congress of Medicine. The 2005 – 2006 Chapter of Pathologists Committee may participate in this meeting. Further details of the congress will be forwarded to the Academy of Medicine, Singapore once made available.

LOCAL DISTANCE LEARNING PROGRAMME, CATEGORY 3B

The 2005 – 2006 Chapter of Pathologists Committee contributed 3 modules towards the local distance learning programme category 3B spearheaded by the Main Education Committee, Academy of Medicine, Singapore. The programme was launched as at 1 November 2005. All medical/dental fellows who participate on-line will gain CME/CDE points. The passing rate is 60% and each fellow is allowed 2 attempts for each module. Successful fellows would be awarded 2 CME points for each medical module and 1 CDE point for each dental module. Fellows who are authors/question-setters of modules preferably from a peer-reviewed journal such as the Annals, Academy of Medicine, Singapore would be awarded 2 CME points.

PROPOSED MAINTENANCE OF CERTIFICATION PROGRAMME

The 2004 – 2005 Chapter of Pathologists Committee held a Dialogue Session on 22 April 2005. The objective of this session was to brief fellow pathologists/ collate feedback on the Proposed Maintenance of Certification Programme for Specialists in Singapore. It is expected that the programme will be made mandatory by the Singapore Medical Council (SMC) in January 2007. Fellows of Colleges/Chapters of the Academy of Medicine, Singapore would be given automatic registration. Non-Fellows could apply for enrolment onto the programme through the Academy of Medicine, Singapore. The Chapter of Pathologists would be adopting the proposed generic framework of the Academy of Medicine, Singapore. The Main Education Committee, Academy of Medicine, Singapore headed by Dr Ho Lai Yun has submitted a concept paper to the SMC on 16 August 2005. Its proposal suggests a CPD-MOC system of 30 points per year for a 5 year cycle of which half of the total points would be from specialty-related core activities. The expected date of commencement is on 1 January 2007. The SMC convened its first meeting for the Maintenance of Certification on 1 September 2005. The Academy of Medicine, Singapore will be informed of its decision.

APPRECIATION

The Chapter wishes to record its appreciation and thanks to all members and the secretariat for their kind support.

31 December 2005
Dr Cuthbert E S Teo
Honorary Secretary
2005 -2006 Chapter of Pathologists

Chapter of Psychiatrists

2005 - 2006 Committee Members



1st Row (Left to Right):

Dr Kok Lee Peng (Committee Member), Dr Yap Hwa Ling (Chairperson), Dr Ng Beng Yeong (Honorary Secretary)

2nd Row (Left to Right):

Dr Chong Siow Ann (Co-opted Member), Dr R M Winslow (Committee Member), Dr Ong Thiew Chai (Committee Member) and Dr Calvin S L Fones (Vice-Chairman)

Absent:

Dr Rathi Mahendran (Co-opted Member), Dr Parvathy d/o Pathy (Co-opted Member)

19TH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The 19th Annual General Meeting of the Chapter of Psychiatrists was held on Thursday, 28 July 2005 at the Lecture Room, Level 5, Department of Psychological Medicine, Main Building, National University Hospital, 5 Lower Kent Ridge Road, Singapore 119074.

The following office-bearers for the year 2005 – 2006 were elected:

Chairperson	: Dr Yap Hwa Ling
Vice-Chairperson	: Dr Calvin S L Fones
Honorary Secretary	: Dr Ng Beng Yeong
Committee Members	: Dr Kok Lee Peng Dr Ong Thiew Chai Dr R M Winslow
Co-opted Members	: Dr Chong Siow Ann Dr Rathi Mahendran Dr Parvathy d/o Pathy

MEMBERSHIP

The total membership of the Chapter as at 31 December 2005 stands at 82.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS

The Committee held 4 meetings during the year 2005.

ACTIVITIES**1. Continuing Medical Education (CME)**

- 1.1 The Chapter co-organised the following CME Lectures with Mount Elizabeth-Charter, Behavioural Health Services:

4 January 2005

Use of Antidepressants in Children and Adolescents

Dr Tian Cheong Sing
Consultant Psychiatrist, Mount Elizabeth Medical Centre

Chairperson: Dr Inez Perera

1 February 2005

Parkinson's Disease: An Update

Dr Yeo Poh Teck
Consultant Neurologist, Gleneagles Medical Centre

Neuropsychiatry of Parkinson's Disease

Dr Chan Keen Loong
Consultant Psychiatrist, Tan Tock Seng Hospital

Chairperson: Dr Paul W Ngui

19 February 2005

Symposium on ElectroConvulsive Therapy:

1) Practice of ECT

i) Thymatron ECT

Dr Adrian C C Wang
Consultant & Chief Psychiatrist, Institute of Mental Health

ii) Ectonus ECT

Dr Inez Perera
Consultant Psychiatrist, Gleneagles Medical Centre

2) Indications

i) Depression

Dr Ng Beng Yeong
Consultant Psychiatrist, Singapore General Hospital

ii) Non Depression Indications for ECT

Dr Chan Keen Loong
Consultant Psychiatrist, Tan Tock Seng Hospital

Discussants: Dr Tan Chue Tin & Prof Chee Kuan Tsee

3) Continuation & Maintenance ECT

i) Singapore Experience

Prof Chee Kuan Tsee
Emeritus Consultant, Institute of Mental Health

Discussants: Dr Tan Chue Tin & Dr C B Khare
Chairperson: Dr Wong Kim Eng

1 March 2005

Amphetamine Type Substance Abuse in Singapore

Dr Brian K L Yeo
Consultant Psychiatrist, Mount Elizabeth Medical Centre

Chairperson: Dr Tan Chue Tin

5 April 2005

Neuropsychiatry of Sleep

Dr Michael H L Yap
Consultant Neurologist and Physician, Mount Elizabeth Medical Centre

Treatment Issues in Chronic Insomnia

Dr Ng Beng Yeong
Consultant Psychiatrist, Singapore General Hospital

Chairperson: Dr Kok Lee Peng

3 May 2005

Update on Post-Natal Depression

Dr Sim Li Ping
Consultant Psychiatrist, Mount Elizabeth Medical Centre

Chairperson: Dr Paul W Ngui

5 July 2005

Handling the Difficult Litigious Patient

Dr Ko Soo Meng
Consultant Psychiatrist, Raffles Hospital & Adjunct Associate Professor, National University of Singapore

Chairperson: Dr R Nagulendran

8 July 2005

Treatment of Depression to Remission

Dr Douglas S M Kong
Consultant Psychiatrist, Mount Elizabeth Medical Centre

Management of Depression Using Cognitive Behavioural Therapy

Mr Craig McIver
Clinical Psychologist, Mount Elizabeth-Charter, Behavioural Health Services

Chairperson: Dr Francis T S Ngui

28 July 2005

Overview of Problem & Pathological Gambling

Dr R M Winslow
Senior Consultant & Chief Psychiatrist, Institute of Mental Health

Chairperson: Dr John C M Wong

3 August 2005

Update on Mood Stabilizers

Dr Peh Lai Huat

Senior Consultant Psychiatrist, Changi General Hospital

Chairperson: Dr Tan Chue Tin

4 October 2005

Pathological Gambling

Dr R M Winslow

Senior Consultant & Chief Psychiatrist, Institute of Mental Health

Chairperson: Dr Brian K L Yeo

- 1.2 The Chapter co-organised the following Symposium with the Department of Psychological Medicine, Tan Tock Seng Hospital:

27 October 2005

A Symposium on Psychopharmacological Management of Disturbed Patients

Use of Parenteral Midazolam

Dr Edward C P Pang

Consultant Anaesthetist, Pang & Kwa Anaesthetic Associates

Guidelines for the Use of Parenteral Lorazepam

Dr Joshua H K Kua

Consultant Psychiatrist, Institute of Mental Health

Use of Newer Antipsychotics

A/Prof Calvin S L Fones

Senior Consultant & Chief, National University Hospital

Chairperson: Dr Ong Thiew Chai

- 1.3 The Chapter co-organised the following Symposium with the Society for Geriatric Medicine, Singapore.

26 – 28 August 2005

1) Challenges in the Treatment of Mood Disorders:

i) Depression in Asia – Epidemiology & Treatments

Dr Chua Hong Choon

Consultant & Chief, Institute of Mental Health

ii) Newer Antidepressants – Mechanisms of Action

Mr Klaus Peter Bøgesø

Vice President

Medicinal Chemistry Research, H Lundbeck A/S, Copenhagen Valby, Denmark

iii) Comorbid Anxiety & Depression

Dr Dan J Stein

Director, Medical Research Council Unit on Anxiety Disorders, University of Stellenbosch, Capetown, South Africa

iv) Evidence-Based Treatment in SAD & GAD – From Research to Practice

A/Prof Elmars Rancans

Associated Professor, Department of Psychiatry, Riga Stradins University, Riga, Latvia

Chairperson: Dr Chua Hong Choon

2) Controversies in the Treatment of Mood Disorders:

i) Treatment Outcomes in Long Term Depression

Prof Sidney H Kennedy

Professor of Psychiatry & Psychiatrist-in-Chief, University Health Network, University of Toronto, Ontario, Canada

ii) The Challenges in Treating Severe Depression & Suicidality

Prof Stuart A Montgomery

Emeritus Professor of Psychiatry, Imperial College of Science, Technology & Medicine, University of London, UK

iii) Quality of Life in Depression & Anxiety – Does it Matter?

Prof Koen Demyttenaere

Head, Department of Adult Psychiatry & Consultant Psychiatrist, Department of Obstetrics, Gynaecology & Endocrinology, University Hospital Gasthuisberg, Catholic University of Leuven, Belgium

Chairperson: Prof Sidney H Kennedy

3) Treating & Managing Symptoms:

i) Dementia & Treatment Options in Asia

Dr Christopher L H Chen

Senior Consultant Neurologist, Department of Neurology, National Neuroscience Institute, Singapore General Hospital & Adjunct Associate Professor, Department of Pharmacology, Faculty of Medicine, National University of Singapore

ii) Living with Alzheimer's Disease

Ms Lindy Chia

Caregiver, Alzheimer's Disease Association (Singapore)

iii) Restoring Glutamatergic Signalling in Alzheimer's Disease – A New Approach

A/Prof Jan Egebjerg

*Associate Professor (Lektor), Institute for Molecular Biology, University of Aarhus, Åhus, Denmark
Director, Molecular Neurobiology, H Lundbeck A/S, Copenhagen Valby, Denmark*

iv) Treating Cognitive & Functional Deficits in Alzheimer's Disease

Prof Bengt Winblad

Professor, Department of Geriatric Medicine & Chief Physician, Huddinge University Hospital, Huddinge, Sweden

v) Management of Behavioural Disturbances Throughout the Progression of Alzheimer's Disease

Dr Jeanne Jackson
Geriatric Psychiatrist Consultant, Private Practice, Hamden, Connecticut & Medical Director, Alzheimer's Resource Centre, Southington, Connecticut, USA

vi) Rationale for Treating Dementia from Mild to Severe Alzheimer's Disease

Dr David George Wilkinson
Consultant in Old Age Psychiatry, Hampshire Partnership NHS Trust, Moorgreen Hospital, Southampton, England, UK

Chairperson: Dr David G Wilkinson

- 1.4 The Chapter was a nominal sponsor at the following Symposium organised by GlaxoSmithKline Pte Ltd:

27 January 2005

Symposium on Manage the Ups & Downs of Bipolar Disorders – Evidence Based Management Options

Dr Gary S Sachs
Director, Bipolar Mood Disorder Clinic, Director, Harvard Bipolar Research Program, Massachusetts General Hospital & A/Professor of Psychiatry, Harvard Medical School, Boston, USA

Chairperson: Dr John C M Wong

2. 1 DAY SYMPOSIA – 39th SINGAPORE-MALAYSIA CONGRESS OF MEDICINE, 30 JUNE TO 3 JULY 2005

The 2004 – 2005 Chapter of Psychiatrists Committee organised a 1-day symposium on 2 July 2005 at Magnolia 2 and 3, Level 3, Grand Hyatt Singapore. It was held in conjunction with the 39th Singapore-Malaysia Congress of Medicine, a meeting of the Academy of Medicine, Singapore held from 30 June to 3 July 2005. There was a total attendance of 67 registrants.

The scientific programme comprised three sessions:

Symposium 1: The Asian Tsunami Experience

- i) Maj (Dr) Christopher C S Cheok – Acute Stress Disorder and Coping in Indonesian Survivors of the Indian Ocean Earthquake and Tsunami of 26 December 2004
- ii) Dr Alex Su – Psychological Care for Front Rescuers: Phuket
- iii) Dr Tang Hui Kheng – Psychological Care during the Recovery Phase: Sri Lanka
- iv) Ms Clare Yeo – Psychological Care for the Next-of-Kin of Victims: Phuket
- v) Dr Cuthbert E S Teo – Disaster Victim Identification (DVI): Handling the Stress - A Personal View

Chairperson: Dr John C M Wong

Plenary Lectures 1 & 2:

- i) Dr Mike Shooter – Ethical Issues in Modern Psychiatry
- ii) Prof Philip Boyce – Mental Health of Men in the Transition to Fatherhood

Chairperson: Dr Calvin S L Fones

Symposium 2: Psychiatry

- i) Dr Chiam Peak Chiang – Psychiatric Disorders in the Elderly – Findings from National Mental Health Survey
- ii) Dr Sim Kang – Testing Models of Thalamic Dysfunction in Schizophrenia Using Neuroimaging

Chairperson: Dr Chong Siow Ann

A question and answer session was conducted at each symposium.

3. QUARTERLY PROFESSIONAL LECTURE

The 2004 – 2005 Chapter of Psychiatrists Committee organised a new activity as part of its Continuing Medical Education programme. Four Professional Lectures would be held quarterly. The panel of speakers would be senior fellow psychiatrists. The aim is to reach out to younger psychiatrists and peers to build a fraternity spirit of professionalism. The vision is to build up these sessions into regular forums of discussion to facilitate the shaping of professional and ethical practice amongst the younger psychiatrists. Lundbeck Export A/S is the official sponsor for all lectures.

The Inaugural Professional Lecture was held on:

22 September 2005

The Changing Face of Psychiatry: A Personal Odyssey

Dr Paul W Ngui
Consultant Psychiatrist, Camden Medical Centre

Chairperson: Dr John C M Wong

NATIONAL MENTAL HEALTH COMMITTEE

The Chapter of Psychiatrists, Academy of Medicine, Singapore was invited by the Director of Medical Services, Ministry of Health, Singapore to sit on its National Mental Health Committee. Dr John C M Wong, Immediate Past Chairman was the Chapter's official representative. Its significant role was to propose a National Policy for Mental Health and to advise the Ministry of Health, Singapore on the provision and development of psychiatric services and facilities. The inaugural meeting took place on 17 August 2005.

SPECIAL INTEREST GROUP IN ELECTROCONVULSIVE THERAPY

The 2004 – 2005 Chapter of Psychiatrists Committee decided to have a Subcommittee in ElectroConvulsive Therapy. An Inaugural Special Interest Group was formed in February 2005. The Organising Chairman is Dr Adrian C C Wang. The Committee would be represented by Specialist Psychiatrists from various institutions: Changi General Hospital, National University Hospital, Singapore General Hospital and Tan Tock Seng Hospital. The private sector has two representatives: Adam Road Hospital and Mount Elizabeth Medical Centre. The main task is to look into the standards of ECT delivery and address issues such as the indications, consent, training and treatment guidelines.

MEDICO-LEGAL SEMINAR

The Chapter of Psychiatrists, Academy of Medicine, Singapore plans to hold a half-day Medico-Legal Seminar in the year 2006. The invited speaker would be from the Attorney-General's Chambers. Dr Calvin S L Fones would be the moderator.

40TH MALAYSIA-SINGAPORE CONGRESS OF MEDICINE, 2006

The Congress of Medicine a meeting of the Academies of Medicine, Malaysia and Singapore is held bi-annually and rotated between the two organisations to host. The Academy of Medicine, Malaysia will host the 40th Malaysia-Singapore Congress of Medicine. The 2005 – 2006 Chapter of Psychiatrists Committee would consider participating in this meeting. Further details of the congress will be forwarded to the Academy of Medicine, Singapore once made available.

EDUCATION COMMITTEE

Dr Ng Beng Yeong was reappointed as the Chapter's representative of the Education Committee for the term 2005 – 2006.

PROPOSED MAINTENANCE OF CERTIFICATION PROGRAMME

The 2004 – 2005 Chapter of Psychiatrists Committee held a brief update and dialogue session on 14 April 2005. The objective of this session was to brief fellow psychiatrists/ collate feedback on the Proposed Maintenance of Certification Programme for Specialists in Singapore. It would probably be made mandatory in January 2007. Fellows of the Academy of Medicine, Singapore would be given automatic registration. Non-Fellows could apply for enrolment onto the programme through the Academy of Medicine, Singapore. The Main Education Committee, Academy of Medicine, Singapore, headed by Dr Ho Lai Yun, has submitted a concept paper to the Singapore Medical Council on 16 August 2005. Its proposal suggests a CPD-MOC system of 30 points per year

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31 December 2005

Dr Ng Beng Yeong

Honorary Secretary

2005 - 2006 Chapter of Psychiatrists

Chapter of Public Health & Occupational Physicians

2005 - 2006 Committee Members



Standing left to right

Dr Adeline Seow (Co-opted member), Dr Pwee Keng Ho (Committee Member), Dr Derrick Heng (Committee Member), Dr Lee Chien Earn (Co-opted member), Dr Kenneth Choy (co-opted member)

Seated left to right

Dr Loh Yik Hin (Honorary Secretary), Dr Jeffery Cutter (Chairman), Dr Lee Lay Tin (Vice-Chairman)

Absent:

Dr Mabel Yap (Committee member)

The Office-bearers for the year 2004-2005 were elected as follows:

Chairman : Dr Jeffery Cutter
 Vice-Chairman : Dr Gregory Chan
 Honorary Secretary : Dr Pwee Keng Ho
 Members : Dr Lee Hock Siang
 Dr Saw Seang Mei
 Dr Voo Yau Onn
 Co-opted Members : Dr Lau Hong Choon
 Dr Mabel Yap

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The 24th Annual General Meeting of the Chapter of Public Health & Occupational Physicians was held on Thursday, 21 July 2005 at 6:00pm at the Learning Corner, College of Medicine Building, 16 College Road, Singapore 169854.

The Office-bearers for the year 2005-2006 were elected as follows:

Chairman : Dr Jeffery Cutter (re-elected)
 Vice-Chairman : Dr Lee Lay Tin
 Honorary Secretary : Dr Loh Yik Hin
 Members : Dr Pwee Keng Ho
 Dr Derrick Heng
 Dr Mabel Yap
 Co-opted Members : Dr Kenneth Choy
 Dr Lee Chien Earn
 Dr Adeline Seow

MEMBERSHIP

The membership of the Chapter stands at 100 (as of 31 December 2005).

COMMITTEE MEETINGS

The 2004 - 2005 committee held three committee meetings from 01 January 2005 to 21 July 2005. The 2005 - 2006 committee held two committee meetings from 21 July 2005 to 31 December 2005.

ACTIVITIES

The Chapter organized the inaugural Singapore Public Health and Occupational Medicine Conference on 22-23 April 2005. A total of 30 CME lectures were also organized from January 2005 to December 2005.

First Singapore Public Health and Occupational Medicine Conference, 22-23 April 2005

The First Singapore Public Health and Occupational Medicine Conference, incorporating the 10th Annual Scientific Meeting of the Chapter was held on Friday on 22 - 23 April 2005, at the Grand Copthorne Waterfront Hotel. The theme of the conference was "New Frontiers in Public Health and Occupational Medicine".

Mr Moses Lee, Permanent Secretary, Ministry of Health, Singapore was invited as the Guest-of-Honour to grace the opening of the conference.

The scientific programme comprised a keynote lecture, 5 Plenary Lectures and 3 Symposia sessions. The conference was a success with 150 participants, 23 free papers (15 from Public Health Medicine specialty & 8 from Occupational Medicine specialty), 24 posters and 20 speakers (14 local and 6 overseas).

Continuing Medical Education

The following continuing medical education lectures were organized:

- CME events co-organised with Department of Community, Occupational and Family Medicine (COFM), Yong Loo Lin School of Medicine, National University of Singapore

7 January 2005

A Public Health Perspective on the Regulation of Medicinal Products in Singapore

Dr John Lim

Director, Centre for Drug Administration, Health Sciences Authority

Chairperson: Professor Lee Hin Peng

14 January 2005

Rotavirus Gastroenteritis Disease Burden in Asia Pacific & Development of Live Attenuated Vaccine

Dr Hans L Bock

Vice-President & Director, Clinical R&D & Medical, Affairs (Asia Pacific / Middle East / Africa), Glaxo Smith Kline Biologicals

Chairperson: Associate Professor Wong Mee Lian

28 January 2005

Molecular Mechanisms Involved in the Chemosensitization Activity of Luteolin, a Flavonoid from Chrysanthemum

Assistant Professor Shen Han-Ming

Department of Community, Occupational & Family Medicine, National University Singapore

Chairperson: Professor Ong Choon Nam

4 February 2005

The Intifada: Impact on the Health of Palestinians

A/Professor Lim Meng Kin

Department of Community, Occupational & Family Medicine, National University Singapore

Chairperson: Associate Professor Phua Kai Hong

14 February 2005

Gene-Environmental Interactions of Complex Ocular Diseases

Professor Barbara EK Klein

Department of Ophthalmology & Population Health, University of Wisconsin, Madison, USA

Chairperson: Associate Professor Saw Seang Mei

18 February 2005

The Morbidity Profile of Outpatients in Singapore

Clinical Associate Professor Shanta Emmanuel, CEO, National HealthCare Group Polyclinics

Chairperson: Professor David Koh

25 February 2005

The SAF Response to the Tsunami – The Meulaboh Experience

Dr Edwin Low

Senior Project Officer, HQ SAF Medical Corps

Public Health Challenges in Meulaboh

Dr Vernon Lee

Medical Officer, HQ SAF Medical Corps

Chairperson: Associate Professor Chia Sin Eng

1 April 2005

Epidemiology of Rotavirus Gastroenteritis

Dr Irving Boudville

Director, Epidemiology, Safety & Pharmacovigilance, Asia Pacific, Middle East & Africa, Glaxo Smith Kline Biologicals

Chairperson: Associate Professor Adeline Seow

8 April 2005

The SAF Response to the Tsunami – The Banda Aceh Experience

LTC (Dr) Fan Swee Weng
Branch Head, RSAF Aeromedical Centre

Molecular Biology in Public Health: From Research Lab to the Field

Adjunct Associate Professor Eric Yap
Distinguished Member of Technical Staff, DMERI@DSO National Laboratories, Adjunct Associate Professor, Dept of Community Occupational & Family Medicine

Chairperson: Adjunct Associate Professor Lionel Lee

1 July 2005

New Vaccines on the Horizon

Dr Hans L Block
Vice-President & Director, Clinical R&D & Medical Affairs, Asia Pacific, Middle East, Africa GlaxoSmithKline Biologicals

Chairperson: Associate Professor Goh Lee Gan

5 August 2005

Mosquito-borne Diseases in Singapore and their Public Health Impact

Dr Christina Liew
Senior Research Scientist, Environmental Health Institute, National Environment Agency

Chairperson: Professor Lee Hin Peng

30 August 2005

Population Ageing: A Global Phenomenon and Its Consequences

Professor Joseph Troisi
Director, European Institute of Gerontology (EIG), WHO Collaborating Centre for Ageing, Deputy Director, United Nations International Institute of Ageing (UN-INIA)

Chairperson: Associate Professor Goh Lee Gan

2 September 2005

New Genomic Approaches To The Study of TB Susceptibility

Dr Mark Thomas Seielstad
Senior Group Leader, Population Genetics and Genetic Epidemiology, Genome Institute of Singapore

Chairperson: Associate Professor Chia Kee Seng

9 September 2005

Examples of Mathematical Modeling of Infectious Diseases – Practical Applications

Professor Eduardo Massad
Professor of Medical Informatics, School of Medicine, University of Sao Paulo, Brazil

Chairperson: Dr Teoh Yee Leong

23 September 2005

The Management of Post-Stroke Patients in the Community

Dr Koh Choon Huat, Gerald
Assistant Professor, Department of Community, Occupational & Family Medicine, National University of Singapore

Chairperson: Professor Lee Hin Peng

30 September 2005

Preparing for the Next Flu Pandemic

Dr Jeffery Cutter
Deputy Director, Communicable Disease Policy, Ministry of Health

Chairperson: Adjunct Associate Professor Kenneth Hughes

4 October 2005

The Pharmaceutical Industry in Singapore – Regulatory and Financing Policies

Dr John Lim
Deputy Chief Executive Officer & Director, Centre for Drug Administration, Health Sciences Authority

Associate Professor Goh Lee Gan
Dept of COFM & Medical Advisor, NTUC Income,

Associate Professor Li Shu Chuen
Department of Pharmacy, NUS

Moderator: Associate Professor Phua Kai Hong
Department of COFM & Lee Kuan Yew School of Public Policy, NUS

7 October 2005

The Association between Circulating White Blood Cell Count and Cancer Mortality Results from the Blue Mountains Eye Study, Australia

Dr Anoop Shankar
Assistant Professor, Department of Community, Occupational & Family Medicine, National University of Singapore

Chairperson: Associate Professor Adeline Seow

12 October 2005

The National Institute for Occupational Health & Occupational Medicine in South Africa

Professor Mary Ross
Director, National Institute for Occupational Health, South Africa

Chairperson: Associate Professor Chia Sin Eng

14 October 2005

Training Village Doctors in Rural Yunnan

Dr Tan Lai Yong

Clinical Lecturer, School of Public Health, Kunming Medical College, Yunnan, China

Chairperson: Associate Professor Adeline Seow

28 October 2005

Vaccines – Adverse Events

Adjunct Associate Professor A Wilder Smith

Head, Traveller's Health & Vaccination Centre, Tan Tock Seng Hospital

Chairperson: Adjunct Associate Professor Kenneth Hughes

11 November 2005

Does Tea Prevent Breast and Colorectal Cancer? – Examining Epidemiological Evidence

Dr Koh Woon Puay

Assistant Professor, Department of Community, Occupational & Family Medicine, National University of Singapore

Chairperson: Associate Professor Chia Sin Eng

18 November 2005

Metabolic Syndrome and Cardiovascular Disease in Singapore

Dr Tai E-Shyong

Clinician Scientist, Singapore Health Services

Chairperson: Dr Jeannette Lee

12 December 2005

Early Detection of Emerging Infections through Computer Based Surveillance - Lessons from the 2002 Winter Olympics for Influenza Surveillance

Dr Adi Gundlapalli

Asst Professor of Medicine, University of Utah Investigator, NIH Regional Center of Excellence for Biodefense and Emerging Infectious Diseases, University of Utah

Chairperson: Dr Paul Ananth Tambyah

- CME events co-organised with Health Promotion Board

19 February 2005

Seminar on Health Surveillance

Dr David McQueen

Assistant Director for Global Health Promotion, National Centre for Chronic Disease Prevention and Health Promotion, Centres for Disease Control and Prevention, Atlanta, USA

Chairperson: Dr Jeffery Cutter

- CME events co-organised with Professional Standards & Development Division (PS&D)/ Clinical Standards and Technology Assessment Branch, Health Service Development Division (HSD), Ministry of Health.

16 August 2005

2005 Visiting Academician

Health Services Research and Health Technology Assessment: A Canadian Perspective

Professor Devidas Menon

Professor of Health Policy and Management, Faculty of Medicine and Dentistry, University of Alberta, Edmonton, Canada

Vice-President, Health Technology Assessment International

Chairperson: Dr Pwee Keng Ho

- CME events co-organised with Professional Standards & Development Division (PS&D), Ministry of Health.

28 September 2005

Introduction to Grid Computing and Its Application in Healthcare and Life Sciences

Mr Choo Thong Tiong

National Grid Office

Dr Patrick Tan

National Cancer Centre, Leader of Life Sciences Virtual Grid Community

4 October 2005

Primary Care Reforms in the UK – Where do we go from there?

Professor Thomas Stuart Murray

Principal in General Practice, Greater Glasgow Health Board; Director of Postgraduate General Practice Education, West of Scotland; and Professor of General Practice, University of Glasgow

- CME event co-organised with Professional Standards & Development Division (PS&D) & Operations Group, Ministry of Health.

12 October 2005

Preparing for the Next Flu Pandemic

Dr Jeffery Cutter

Deputy Director, Communicable Disease Policy, Ministry of Health

26 October 2005

Preparing for the Next Flu Pandemic [Repeat session]

Dr Jeffery Cutter

Deputy Director, Communicable Disease Policy, Ministry of Health

VISITING ACADEMICIAN 2005

Professor Devidas Menon, an expert in the field of Health Technology Assessment (HTA), was the 2005 Visiting Academician for the Chapter of Public Health & Occupational Physicians. He was invited to speak at the event "Health Services Research and Health Technology Assessment: A Canadian Perspective". The event was co-organised with Professional Standards & Development Division (PS&D) & Clinical Standards and Technology Assessment Branch, Health Service Development Division (HSD) of the Ministry of Health.

DISTANCE LEARNING PROGRAMME

The Academy of Medicine, Singapore, launched their Distance Learning Programme on 1 November 2005. For the first quarter launch, the Chapter of Public Health & Occupational Physicians submitted 1 module entitled "Malignant Mesothelioma: Experience at the Singapore General Hospital". Two CME points will be awarded for attending the module.

APPRECIATION

The Chapter wishes to place on record its appreciation of and thanks to all Fellows and the Secretariat for their kind support.

31 December 2005

Dr Loh Yik Hin

Honorary Secretary

2005 - 2006 Chapter of Public Health & Occupational Physicians, Singapore

List of Masters, Academy of Medicine, Singapore

1957 – 1959	Dr Gordon A Ransome
1959 – 1960	Dr C Elaine Field
1960 – 1961	Dr D W C Gawne
1961 – 1964	Dr Gwee Ah Leng
1964 – 1966	Dr Khoo Oon Teik
1966 – 1968	Dr K Shanmugaratnam
1968 – 1970	Dr Yahya Cohen
1970 – 1973	Dr Seah Cheng Siang
1973 – 1975	Dr Chew Chin Hin
1975 – 1978	Dr Robert C K Loh
1978 – 1980	Dr V K Pillay
1980 – 1982	Dr Lim Pin
1982 – 1984	Dr Chow Khuen Wai
1984 – 1987	Dr Lawrence K C Chan
1987 – 1990	Dr Tan Ngor Chuan
1990 – 1992	Dr Raj Mohan Nambiar
1992 – 1995	Dr Chao Tzee Cheng
1995 – 1998	Dr Tan Ser Kiat
1998 – 2000	Dr Chee Yam Cheng
2000 – 2002	Dr Walter T L Tan
2002 – 2004	Dr K Satkunanantham
2004 – 2006	Dr Low Cheng Hock

College of Anaesthesiologists, Singapore

2nd Annual General Meeting

Notice is hereby given that the 2nd Annual General Meeting of the College of Anaesthesiologists, Singapore will be held on Saturday, 29 April 2006 at 11.00am at the Lecture Hall, National Cancer Centre Lecture Hall, 11 Hospital Drive, Singapore 169810.

AGENDA

1. Minutes of the 1st Annual General Meeting held on 2 July 2005.
2. Report of the 2005-2006 Council.
3. Presentation of the Audited Accounts as at 31 December 2005.
4. Election of the 2006-2008 Council.

The following nominations to the 2006-2008 Council have been received and accepted:

Nominee	Proposer	Seconder
Dr Boey Wah Keong	Dr Ng Hui Nai	Dr Seow Lay Tin
Dr Chong Jin Long	Dr Edward Pang	Dr Ernest Lim
Dr Khoo Siew Tuan	Dr Ernest Lim	Dr Ng Hui Nai
Dr Koay Choo Kok	Dr Edward Pang	Dr Noelle Lim

5. Re-appointment of the Auditors.
6. Other business, notice of which shall be given in writing to the Scribe at least seven(7) days prior to such Meeting.

18 April 2006
Dr Lai Fook Onn
Honorary Secretary

1st Annual General Meeting

Minutes of the 1st Annual General Meeting of the College of Anaesthesiologists, Singapore held on Saturday, 2 July 2005 at 1.30pm at Magnolia 1, Grand Hyatt, 10 Scotts Road, Singapore 228211.

The following members were present:

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| 1. Dr Boey Wah Keong | 2. Dr Suelyn Chew |
| 3. Dr Chin Kin Wuu | 4. Dr Chong Yeen Yoong |
| 5. Dr Choo Yien Mei | 6. Dr Gan San San |
| 7. Dr Khoo Siew Tuan | 8. Dr Koay Choo Kok |
| 9. Dr Kong Chee Fai | 10. Dr Kwa Bee Hua |
| 11. Dr Kwek Tong Kiat | 12. Dr Lai Fook Onn |
| 13. Dr Lee Huiling | 14. Dr Liam Beng Ling |
| 15. Dr Lim Boon Leng | 16. Dr Lim Eng Siong |
| 17. Dr George Lim | 18. Dr Ernest Lim |
| 19. Dr Edwin Low | 20. Dr Maung Thant |
| 21. Dr Leela Nair | 22. Dr Ng Hui Nai |
| 23. Dr Kelvin Ngiam | 24. Dr Edward Pang |
| 25. Dr Rachael Pereira | 26. Dr Phua Wee Thuan |
| 27. Dr Si Hoe Kok Chun | 28. Dr Tan Soon Kiam |
| 29. Dr Dicky Tay | 30. Dr Lilian Tsou-Lee |
| 31. Dr Wang Wen Cheng | 32. Dr Sally Wong |
| 33. Dr Wong Kahoe | 34. Dr Monica Woo |
| 35. Dr Catherine Yap | 36. Dr Van Weng Koon |

The following members were unable to attend and had tendered their apologies:

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| 1. Dr Chan Soo Toon | 2. Dr Chen Fun Gee |
| 3. Dr Nelson Chua | 4. Dr Ho Hwee Shih |
| 5. Dr Koh Kwong Fah | 6. Dr Loo Shi |
| 7. Dr Agnes Ng | 8. Dr Seow Lay Tin |

In attendance:

Ms Michelle Choy

Secretariat, College of Anaesthesiologists, Singapore.

1. PREAMBLE

- 1.1 There being a quorum, the President and Chairman, Dr Edward Pang, called the meeting to order at 1.40pm.
- 1.2 The House noted that the current Council of the College is actually acting as the Interim Council to hold office until the 1st Annual General Meeting. The 1st President and Council will be officially declared elected and their term of office shall begin at the 1st Annual General Meeting i.e. 2 July 2005.

2. AUDITED ACCOUNTS AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2004

The House

- a) was informed by the President that the College is extremely poor, with less than \$3000 as shown in the statement of accounts and the main reason was that only 25% of the paid-up Fellows' subscription were transferred to College, while the Academy takes the balance of 75%. The Academy would provide secretariat support for the first three years from the time the College was incorporated;
- b) agreed with Dr Phua Wee Thuan's suggestion that since the College has just been incorporated, negotiation for a bigger portion of the Fellows' subscription should be done at a later stage when the College is more stable; was aware that without sufficient funds, the College would not be able to organize any events; and
- c) adopted the audited accounts as at 31 December 2004 as proposed by Dr Leela Nair and seconded by Dr Gan San San.

3. ANNUAL REPORT OF THE 2004-2005 COUNCIL

The House adopted the Annual Report of the 2004-2005 Council as proposed by Dr Phua Wee Thuan and seconded by Dr Lim Eng Siong.

4. 15TH GENERAL SCIENTIFIC MEETING, 13 & 14 August 2005, Meritus Mandarin

The House was reminded to support the forthcoming 15th General Scientific Meeting, which is jointly held annually with the Singapore Society of Anaesthesiologists (SSA). This year the Meeting has been scheduled for 13 and 14 August 2005 at Meritus Mandarin.

5. APPOINTMENT OF AUDITORS

The House resolved that G S Tan & Co. be re-appointed the auditor for year 2004 since the Academy and other five Colleges also used them, noting an observation that the audit fee appeared to be lower than others; and that the Council might wish to consider appointing a better established auditor when the financial status of the College improved.

6. AMENDMENTS TO THE ARTICLES OF ASSOCIATION

The House

- a) considered the proposed amendments to the Articles of Association of the College as set out under item 4 of the agenda;
- b) with regard to the proposed amendments to Article 45, understood that the proposed amendment was to make it easier for the Council to convene meetings;
- c) heard Dr Rachael Pereira point out that, when there is a need to cast votes, an even number of Council numbers might lead to a tie, and felt that it would be better if the quorum, as spelt out in the constitution, remain at an odd number of five;
- d) recorded similar views by Dr Boey Wah Keong, but if the Council has difficulties in convening meetings, then he would respect the decision of the Council and agreed to the proposed amendments to Article 45 since the Fellows have empowered the Council to exercise their decisions;
- e) passed the following as a special resolution:

THAT, subject to the approvals of the Minister of Finance, the Comptroller of Income Tax and Commissioner of Charities, the Articles of Association of the Colleges of Anaesthesiologists be amended in the following manner:

- A) To substitute Article 45 with the following Article:

"45 Unless otherwise determined by the Council, the quorum at meetings of the Council shall be four. However, a quorum of at least 50% of the Council should be present for any major decision to be passed."

7. ACCREDITATION OF CONTINUING MEDICAL EDUCATION (CME) POINTS / CME-MAINTENANCE OF CERTIFICATION (MOC)

The House

- a) noted a request that the Council should consider increasing the number of points accredited for each CME activity;
- b) recorded views expressed by Dr George Lim that doctors have to spend a lot of their time attending talks and meetings in order to obtain the required points;
- c) was informed by the President that, the accreditation of points for CME activities is still under the control of SMC until such time when the MOC is approved, and he also agreed that more points may be allotted for practical work which was only accredited for 2 CME points;
- d) heard Dr Rachael Pereira, who pointed out that the MOC has not been finalized and would be discussed at the Academy Education Committee, the guidelines/criteria would be across the board and not only apply to the Anaesthesiologists. The main reason for the proposal of MOC was that SMC/MOH wanted doctors in Singapore to have an equivalent level of standard with other countries and has asked Academy to draw up a system that would suit the specialists themselves and at the same time keep up with high standards for public safety;
- e) was invited to send any suggestions/opinions to the Council pertaining to the MOC as agreed at the Annual General Meeting of the Academy. The Education Committee will consist of new members from different hospitals to draw up a fresh proposal on MOC;
- f) requested clarification on the decision of the College Council on the issue of log book;
- g) noted from the President that the decision of the Council was for a log book; noting further, in respect of the issue on log book, as follows:
 - ii. recorded strong objection from several members to the decision of the Council to submit the proposal of minimum requirement of 50 cases per year and also objected to any form of eligible examinations or assessments;
 - iii. Dr Edward Pang, President – at the Academy Education Committee meeting held on 2 March 2005, the final decision was not to include category on examination and clinical practice but unfortunately the College of Surgeons introduced another version for log book which created the confusion. At the Academy Annual General Meeting held on 28 May 2005, it was resolved that the incoming Academy Council would reconstitute a new Education Committee to reconsider the whole proposal before submitting to SMC for approval; pointed out that doctors should bear in mind that the proposal is only their views, SMC might not accept it and would introduce log book/examination. The final decision would be by SMC;
 - iv. Dr Phua Wee Thuan – noted that the College Councillors, who voted for log books at the 4th meeting of the Council, should be more careful in their deliberations, as they are representing the interest of the members of the faculty, and majority of the members were against the idea of log book;
 - v. Dr Kwek Tong Kiat, Council Member – elaborated that, at the 4th meeting of the Council, Councillors were asked to vote for the paper put up by one of the Council members who represented the College on the Academy Education Committee. That paper presented was the framework and one of the criteria included 250 points over 5 years plus components to reflect that members were actively practicing. What was voted on was whether the College has the intention to follow what other Colleges will be doing or be different. What was decided that evening was in no way definite; the understanding was that whatever was put up will just be suggestions. The Council will not decide on anything that will be against the interest of the members. Council was aware that the logbook will be unpopular, but felt that it was important that the College should not be different from other Colleges, and be the odd one out;
 - vi. Dr George Lim, Vice-President and Honorary Treasurer – does not recall that there was a casting of votes for log book at the meeting of the Council. Discussions were for doctors who were Anaesthesiologists that were going for long leave, for example, sabbatical or maternity leave, for a period of six months to a year. Council thought that upon their return, they should actively practice for at least one or two months under probation;
- i. Dr Edward Pang, President - at the 4th meeting of the Council held on 18 February 2005, discussions were not solely on the logbook, but on the minimum number of cases required, which was 50 cases per year as proposed, along with other categories for Anaesthesia. These were brought up by one of the Council members who represented the College at Academy Education Committee. Casting of votes was conducted and the only Council member who voted against the proposal of cases was Dr Edward Pang;

- h) recorded view expressed by Dr Boey Wah Keong that such an important issue should be brought up for discussion even before a casting of votes has taken place;
- i) requested for a copy of the minutes of the meeting of the Council that was held on 18 February 2005.
- j) Dr Edward Pang, President – related the paper (adapted from the College of Physicians) that was drafted by Dr Chen Fun Gee, representative of the College on Academy Education Committee, which included the following component:
- Clinical practice – to maintain the standard and quality of clinical care, each clinician must show evidence that there is involvement in clinical care after a long leave and must be under supervision (as mention by Dr George Lim, item vi. above).
- Dr Pang is not sure whether this was a right move, and personally, he is against it because according to him, when a doctor knows the basics, there is not a need to be under supervision unless it is a new technique;
- k) Dr Edward Pang, President – at the Academy Annual General Meeting held on 28 May 2005, the vote was against the log book and any form of regulatory measures. In fact, the Academy's main tasks should be purely teaching and training doctors to upgrade the standard of practice. Whereas, the SMC/MOH is the body that has the right and power to regulate doctors but they have given the specialists a chance to introduce measures to self regulate. If the specialists were unable to self regulate themselves, then SMC/MOH would step in;
- l) unanimously agreed with Dr Phua Wee Thuan that the College of Anaesthesiologists should work on the MOC proposal as a family and not be divided into private and institutional sectors; and
- m) applauded the President, when he said that the reason he took up the position as President of the College, was to unite all sectors of Anaesthesiologists, like the good old days.

8. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

8.1 Distance Learning Programme (DLP)

The House

- a) was informed by the President that the Council has made enquiries with several overseas journals for the purpose of continuing medical education, and to facilitate the possibility of members subscribing to these journals at a lower corporate fee through the College;
- b) noted favourable view by the President to select the British Journal of Anaesthesia – Continuing Education in Anaesthesia, Critical Care and Pain (CEACCP) which produce six issues per year at US\$32 for bulk order of 150 subscribers through the College;
- c) supported the suggestion but pointed out that approval be sought from SMC to confirm that CEACCP was listed in the sample core CME calendar under the category for journal reading; and
- d) thanked the President that he would try to approach drug companies for full or partial sponsorship so that members need not have to pay for the journal.

The meeting closed at 2.45pm.

2 July 2005

Minutes recorded by Ms Michelle Choy, Secretariat
Vetted by Dr Lai Fook Oon, Honorary Secretary,
College of Anaesthesiologists, Singapore

Annual Report of the 2005 - 2006 Council

1. THE COUNCIL

The following Council Members were declared elected to the 2005-2006 Council at the 1st Annual General Meeting held on 2 July 2005. They are:

President:	Dr Edward Pang
Vice-President/Honorary Treasurer:	Dr George Lim
Honorary Secretary:	Dr Lai Fook Onn
Council Members:	Dr Chen Fun Gee
	Dr Kwek Tong Kiat
	Dr Lim Boon Leng

2. COLLEGE CREST AND MOTTO



The College Crest consists of a central shield, poppy bulb and leaves - medicinal plant around it and a banner at the bottom with a motto, which encapsulates the ideals and visions of the College.

At the top of the shield is the National flag of Singapore where the College originates. The chevron symbolizes the coming-together of all medical specialties to provide the best medical care. The symbols of anaesthesia are the two poppy bulbs, which signify the use of opiates for pain relief, and the anaesthetic bobbin. The banner contains the College Motto - "Semper Vigilant". This means - Ever (always) Vigilant.

3. MEMBERSHIP

The total membership of the College as at 31 December 2005:

Local	115
Overseas	3

Members not conferred as Fellows of the College of Anaesthesiologists:

Local	9
Overseas	12

4. CONTINUING MEDICAL EDUCATION

4.1 Continuing Medical Education Lectures

The following CME lectures were organised:

5 January 2005

"Interventional Pain Procedures for Anaesthetists" (jointly organised with the Singapore Society of Anaesthesiologists)

Dr Charles D Brooker

Director, Chronic and Cancer Programme in Anaesthesia and Pain Management, Royal North Shore Hospital, NSW, Australia

Chairperson: Dr Bernard M K Lee

4 March 2005

"The Duke Post-Graduate Medical Education Experience: Duke Cardiothoracic Anaesthesia and Critical Care"

(jointly organised with the Singapore Society of Anaesthesiologists)

Associate Professor Mark Stafford-Smith

Director of Duke Cardiothoracic and Critical Care Fellowship, Division of Cardiothoracic Anesthesia and Critical Care Medicine, Duke University Medical Center, USA

Chairperson: Dr Edward Pang

4.2 Combined Anaesthetic Meetings

4.2.1 The following Combined Anaesthetic Meetings were co-organised with the Singapore Society of Anaesthesiologists:

19 February 2005

Anaesthesia for Off-pump CABG

Dr Kong Chee Seng

Anaesthetic Associates Singapore, Mt Elizabeth Medical Centre

Dr Ranjodh Singh

Ranjodh Singh Anaesthesia Pte Ltd, Gleneagles Medical Centre

Dr Sriram Shankar

Senior Consultant, Department of Cardiothoracic Surgery, National Heart Centre

Chairpersons: Dr George Lim and Dr Sally Wong

Aftershock – Intra and Post-operative Management of Patients with Suspected Anaphylactic Reaction: Case Presentation and Discussion on Intra-op Management

Dr Sim Yen Yen

Registrar, Department of Anaesthesia, Changi General Hospital

Update – Investigation of Patients with Suspected Anaphylactic Reaction

Dr Bernard Thong

Consultant, Department of Rheumatology, Allergy and Immunology, Tan Tock Seng Hospital

Chairperson: Dr Tan Soo Guan

28 May 2005

Anaesthesia Beyond our Borders: Cleft Surgery in Malang, Indonesia

(Sponsored by Roche (S) Pte Ltd)

Dr Tan Kian Hian

Registrar, Department of Anaesthesia and Surgical Intensive Care, Singapore General Hospital

Tsunami Sharing

Dr Shani Tan

Senior Consultant, Department of Paediatric Anaesthesia, KK Women's and Children's Hospital

Chairperson: Dr Chee Huei Leng

Intensive Care Medicine – Developing the Next Lap The Perspective from Anaesthesiology

Dr Tan Hui Ling

Consultant, Department of Anaesthesiology, Tan Tock Seng Hospital

Dr Loo Shi

Senior Consultant, Department of Anaesthesiology, Tan Tock Seng Hospital

Chairperson: Dr Thomas Lew

19 November 2005

On Track with CTrach LMA

Dr Raymond Goy

Associate Consultant, Department of Anaesthesia, National University Hospital

Dr Eugene Liu

Senior Consultant, Department of Anaesthesia, National University Hospital

Chairperson: Dr Eugene Liu

Hyperbaric Oxygen (HBO) Therapy: Essentials of HBO

Dr Chow Wei En

Medical Officer, Republic of Singapore Navy

Applications of HBO

Dr Raymond Siew

Medical Officer, Department of Anaesthesia, Singapore General Hospital

Chairperson: Dr Edwin Low

Anaesthetic Consideration for Patient Coming for Lapbanding Surgery

Dr Tan Chiew Peng

Registrar, Department of Anaesthesia, Alexandra Hospital

Obstructive Sleep Apnoea (OSA)

Dr Azman Johan

Respiratory Physician, Department of General Medicine Alexandra Hospital

Chairperson: Dr Syed Beevee

4.2.2 For year 2006, the Council of the College of Anaesthesiologists, Singapore and the Exco-Committee, Singapore Society of Anaesthesiologists have arranged for the Combined Meetings to be held every two months for a duration of 2 hours per session.

4.3 15th General Scientific Meeting, 13 And 14 August 2005

The 15th General Scientific Meeting was jointly organised by the College of Anaesthesiologists, Singapore and the Singapore Society of Anaesthesiologists. The Meeting was held on the 13 and 14 August 2005 at Meritus Mandarin Singapore with the theme – "Evidence Based Anaesthesia".

Dr Alex Sia was the Chairman, Organising Committee of the 15th General Scientific Meeting. The programme included the following sessions:

i) 2 Plenary Lectures:

- Evidence Based Anaesthesia – MASTER, ENIGMA, B-WARE and Beyond
Professor Paul S Myles
Director (acting) and Head of Research Department of Anaesthesia and Pain Management Alfred Hospital and Departments of Anaesthesia, Epidemiology and Preventive Medicine, Monash University, Australia
- Evidence Based Medicine – Spinal Headache and Postoperative Nausea and Vomiting
Professor Michael Paech
Associate Professor of Obstetric Anaesthesia School of Medicine and Pharmacology University of Western Australia, Perth and Senior Specialist Anaesthetist Department of Anaesthesia and Pain Medicine King Edward Memorial Hospital for Women and Royal Perth Hospital, Australia

ii) 5 Symposia

- Obstetrics:
 - o Update on Maternal Morbidity and Mortality – the Anaesthetist's Perspective
 - o Labour Analgesia Techniques – Evidence Based Approach
 - o Postpartum Haemorrhage – Old Problem, New Options
- Finding The Evidence in Anaesthesia:
 - o The Sceptical Anaesthetist
 - o Critical Appraisal of Scientific Literature
 - o Big Trials in Anaesthesia
- Update – What's New:
 - o Transplantation Anaesthesia
 - o Perioperative Medicine
 - o Paediatric Medicine
 - o Regional Anaesthesia / Pain Management
- Cardiothoracic:
 - o Pre-operative Cardiovascular Evaluation
 - o Thoracic Anaesthesia
 - o Cardiac Anaesthesia
- Pro-Con:
 - o Central Neuraxial vs Peripheral Nerve Blocks for Lower Limb Surgery
 - o Infection Control in OT – “What I Wear and What I Do is Not Going to Affect Infection Rates in OT”

iii) 3 Workshops

- Thoracic Anaesthesia
- Evidence Based Medicine
- Nursing Workshop on Airway

iv) 2 Nursing Symposia

- Monitoring in OT
 - o Monitoring in the OT: What a Waste!
 - o Monitoring in Recovery Room: How Much is Sufficient?
- Adult and Paediatric Resuscitation
 - o Adult Resuscitation: Beyond Cardiac Compression
 - o Conventional vs E-learning Teaching for BCLS
 - o Paediatric Resuscitation: A Trained Nurse Makes a Difference

v) Best Papers: Poster and Oral Presentation

A total of 20 papers were submitted and accepted for presentation

- Dr Chong Chin Ted, Department of Women's Anaesthesia, KK Women's and Children's Hospital won the Best Poster Award. The title of the winning poster was “Combined Spinal Epidural causes Higher Block than Equivalent Single Shot Spinal Anaesthesia in Elective Caesarean Patients”

- Dr Edwin Seet, Department of Anaesthesia, Tan Tock Seng Hospital won the Best Free Paper (Oral Presentation) Award. The title of the winning paper was “Post Total Knee Arthroplasty Analgesia, which Technique is Best?”

4.4 The 39th Singapore-Malaysia Congress Of Medicine, 30 June – 3 July 2005

The 39th Singapore-Malaysia Congress of Medicine was jointly organised by the Academy of Medicine, Singapore, the Academy of Medicine of Malaysia, and the Faculty of Medicine, National University of Singapore. The theme of the Congress was “Celebrating 100 Years of Medical Education”. The Opening Ceremony on 30 June 2005 was held at the Shangri-La Hotel and the Scientific Sessions from 1 – 3 July was held at the Grand Hyatt Hotel.

The representative of the College of Anaesthesiologists is Dr Edward Pang. A Regional Anaesthesia Workshop was held on 2 July 2005 at the Experimental Surgery Laboratory, Singapore General Hospital. The Workshop Convenor was Dr Yeo Sow Nam.

5. APPRECIATION

The College wishes to record its appreciation to all our Fellows for their support and efforts rendered in the past year as well as for ongoing projects.

31 December 2005

Dr Lai Fook Onn

Honorary Secretary

on behalf of 2005-2006 Council

College of Obstetricians and Gynaecologists, Singapore



The content of the Shield is the Caduceus. The wing-topped staff is a Roman symbol for truce, neutrality and noncombatant status with two snakes winding about it. The symbol of two intertwined snakes is related to other serpent symbols of fertility, wisdom and healing. The Caduceus is used as a symbol of Medicine.

Supporting the Shield on the left is the Lion which represents Singapore. The Lion symbolizes courage, strength and excellence. On the right is a typical modern Singaporean Woman, one who juggles work and family, the very same that the profession has sworn to provide the best medical care for.

The Mantle is the national flower, Vanda Miss Joaquim. It symbolizes Singapore and the coming together of all the Obstetrics and Gynaecology subspecialties. The banner contains the College Motto – “In Scientia Veritas, In Arte Honestas”. This means – In Science Truth, In Art Honour.

2005 - 2006 Council



Standing (Left to Right)

Dr Yeo Seow Heong (Chairman, Section of Maternal Fetal Medicine), Dr Tay Eng Hseon (Chairman, Section of Gynaecological Oncology), Dr Lee Keen Whye (Council Member [co-opted]), Dr See Tho Kai Yin (Council Member [co-opted]).

Seated (Left to Right)

Dr Christine Yap (Council Member [co-opted]), Dr Fong Chuan Wee (Honorary Treasurer), Dr Lai Fon-Min (Vice-President), Dr Ho Tew Hong (President), Dr Jeffrey Low (Honorary Secretary), Dr Sheila Loh (Chairperson, Section of Reproductive Medicine).

Absent

Dr Roy Ng (Chairman, Section of Urogynaecology), Dr Chang Tou Choong (Council Member), Dr Suresh Nair (Council Member), Dr Ann Tan (Council Member).

2nd Annual General Meeting

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the 2nd Annual General Meeting of the College of Obstetricians and Gynaecologists, Singapore will be held on Monday, 15 May 2006 at 6.30pm at the Lecture Theatre (Training Centre), KK Women's and Children's Hospital, 100 Bukit Timah Road, Singapore 229899.

AGENDA

1. Minutes of the 1st Annual General Meeting held on 24 June 2005
2. Annual Report of the 2005 Council
3. Presentation of the Audited Accounts as at 31 December 2005
4. Election of the 2006-2008 Council

The following 3 nominations have been received prior to closing time:

Candidate	Proposer	Seconder
Suresh Nair	Ng Kwok Weng, Roy	Mary Rauff
Tan Kok Hian, Kelvin	Ho Tew Hong	Lee Lih Charn
Chang Tou Choong	Phyllis Liauw	Beh Suan Tiong

The above duly elected Councillors will take office with effect from the 2nd Annual General Meeting

5. Appointment of Auditors
6. Other business, notice of which shall be given in writing to the Honorary Secretary at least seven days prior to such meeting

24 March 2006

Dr Jeffrey Low

Honorary Secretary

1st Annual General Meeting

Minutes of the 1st Annual General Meeting of the College of Obstetricians and Gynaecologists, Singapore (COGS) held on Friday, 24 June 2005 at 6.30pm at Lecture Theatre, Training Centre, KK Women's and Children's Hospital, 100 Bukit Timah Road, Singapore 229899

Present:

1. Dr Arunachalam Ilancheran
2. Dr Beh Suan Tiong
3. Dr Chan Weng Buen
4. Dr Peggy S S Cheng
5. Dr Chua Yang
6. Dr Francis C W Fong
7. Dr Cordelia C C Han
8. Dr William H C Han
9. Dr Ho Tew Hong
10. Dr Lai Fon-Min
11. Dr Lee I Wuen
12. Dr Lee Keen Whye
13. Dr Lim Lean Soon
14. Dr Sheila K E Loh
15. Dr Loh Seong Feei
16. Dr Jeffrey J H Low
17. Dr Suresh Nair
18. Dr Roy K W Ng
19. Dr Alex K H Ooi
20. Dr Mary Rauff
21. Dr Ann S A Tan
22. Dr John C S Tee
23. Dr Wee Horng Yen
24. Dr Yam Kwai Lam
25. Dr John P Y Yam
26. Dr George S H Yeo

Absent with apologies:

1. Dr Yvonne G S Chan
2. Dr Chng Keok Pang
3. Dr Chong Kwang Dick
4. Dr Heng Tung Lan
5. Dr Kek Lee Phin
6. Dr Phyllis C Y Liauw
7. Dr Poon King Fu
8. Dr Pritam Singh
9. Dr Tan Wee Khin
10. Dr Wong Peng Cheang
11. Dr Peter Y K Yong

In attendance:

Ms Michelle Choy, Secretariat, COGS

1. PREAMBLE

There being a quorum, the Chairman, Dr Ho Tew Hong, President of the College of Obstetricians and Gynaecologists, Singapore, thanked everyone for coming to the 1st Annual General Meeting of the College and called the meeting to order at 7.00pm.

- 1.1 The House observed one minute of silence in memory of the following two Fellows who passed away between the period May 2004 to May 2005:

- Dr Wong Sze Pun – December 2004
- Dr Lim Fang Kan – February 2005

2. ANNUAL REPORT OF THE 2004-2005 COUNCIL

The House adopted the Annual Report of the 2004-2005 Council as proposed by Dr Lai Fon-Min and seconded by Dr Suresh Nair.

3. COLLEGE CREST AND MOTTO

The House received a verbal explanation on the different components of the crest from Dr Chua Yang, as follows:

The Shield

The classic shaped shield is used in the College shield, similar to the shield in the Academy of Medicine emblem.

The content of the shield is the caduceus. This is the wing-topped staff, with two snakes winding about it, carried by Hermes, given to him, according to the legend, by Apollo. The symbol of two intertwined snakes appeared early in Babylonia and is related to other serpent symbols of fertility, wisdom, and healing. This staff of Hermes was carried by Greek heralds and ambassadors and became a Roman symbol for truce, neutrality, and noncombatant status. The caduceus is much used as a symbol of medicine.

The Supporters

Supporting the shield on the left is the lion which represents Singapore. The lion symbolizes courage, strength and excellence.

Supporting the shield on the right is a typical modern Singaporean woman, one who juggles work and family, the very same our profession has sworn to provide the best medical care for. The woman is an Academician dressed in the formal gown which serves as a historic link to the Academy. She carries her baby, symbolizing the practice of obstetrics as well as the preservation of traditional family values.

The Mantle

Instead of having helmets and cloaks, which traditionally symbolizes the bearer's heritage, there is the national flower, Vanda Miss Joaquim. This is another symbol of Singapore and the orchid here also symbolizes the coming together of all the subspecialties under one roof – the College.

The Banner

The banner contains our College motto "Scientia Veritas, in Arte Honestas". This means – in science truth, in art honour.

Clinical medicine has always been a subtle mastery of both the science of evidence and the artistry of the doctor-patient relationship. This is particularly relevant when our specialty cares for the woman.

The motto reminds us to maintain our clinical standards and to be guided in our management by evidence based medicine; at the same time to always have our patients' best interests at heart, to be ethical and honorable in our practice.

The House agreed that the crest was very well done and recorded a vote of thanks to Dr Chua Yang for her ideas and effort.

4. AUDITED ACCOUNTS AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2004

The House

- a) received a verbal financial report for the year ended 31 December 2004 from Dr Fong Chuan Wee, Honorary Treasurer.
- b) noted replies from the President, Dr Ho Tew Hong to the following queries :
 - i. Dr Alex Ooi -
 - How much of Fellows' subscriptions were returned to the College?

25 percent of paid up subscriptions were transferred to College. It was agreed that Academy would provide secretariat support to the College for the first three years from the time the College was incorporated i.e. August 2004. After which, the College should be financially independent and on its own.

- ii. Dr Lai Fon-Min –
 - Will there be a gradual increase of the Fellows' subscriptions to the College for the next two years?
 - After 3 years, when the College is independent, will Academy levy a rental fee for office space?

No, according to the agreement, it would remain at 25 percent.

There is no indication that the Academy would charge rental fee for office space as College is still part of Academy. On the other hand, Academy might impose a levy on secretariat support if the College chose to continue using the services.

- c) adopted the audited accounts as at 31 December 2004 as proposed by Dr A Ilancheran and seconded by Dr Alex Ooi.

5. 39TH SINGAPORE-MALAYSIA CONGRESS OF MEDICINE, 30 JUNE TO 3 JULY 2005

The House

- a) noted that Dr Ann Tan is the Coordinator for the College for this event.
- b) The College encouraged Fellows to support the College by registering to attend the Obstetric and Gynaecology sessions. These included the symposia on "Infertility" and "Early Pregnancy Care, PGD and Stem Cells Update" held on 2 July 2005 at Grand Hyatt and "Gynaecological Ultrasound for Infertility Workshop" and "Nuchal Translucency Course" on 3 July 2005 at the Training Centre, KK Women's and Children's Hospital.
- c) Fellows with FAMS were given concession registration rates compared to non-FAMS.

6. ISSUES ON SUBSPECIALTIES

6.1 The House

- a) was informed by the President, Dr Ho Tew Hong that
- i. when the College was incorporated, there were 4 subspecialty Sections being put in place in the constitution. Following which, there were elections for chairpersons and committee members for each Section. The main idea was to provide support for areas of interests in the various subspecialties.
 - ii. the Council understood that the subspecialties or what would constitute a subspecialty and who should enter the subspecialty needed to be defined.
- b) agreed to invite chairperson of the Sections to give a brief account on this matter and noted that the Education Committee was to be chaired by Dr Lai Fon-Min, Vice-President of the College. The Council had tasked Dr Lai to coordinate with the 4 Sections on the role of the various Obstetrics and Gynaecology Subspecialties and to have a clear unified approach under the College.

6.2 The House heard reports and views from Chairpersons of the 4 Sections as well as from members, as follows:

- a) Dr Lai Fon-Min
- i. the Chapter of Obstetricians and Gynaecologists Committee (before the incorporation of the College) felt that the 4 subspecialties – Gynaecological Oncology, Maternal Fetal Medicine, Reproductive Medicine and Urogynaecology, which were very long been recognised by other overseas Colleges should be created. It was intended for further development.
 - ii. the Council had asked for views and feedback from the 4 Sections and to formalise a framework for consistent directions rather than diverge along the College.
 - iii. at the moment, subspecialty development is at a very preliminary stage. The plan was to produce a time frame and feedback/views from members were needed for the development of subspecialties.
- b) Dr Ho Tew Hong – was aware that Fellows were concerned and worried over what the College would want to do about subspecialties. The Council would try to involve Fellows and find out which would be the best direction to proceed. Fellows should take it in a way that the Council is not to harm their interests but at the same time realized the importance for them to move with time. Hopefully, in the near future, there would be some forms of recognition for Fellows who wanted to devote a lot of their time to a particular area of interest. The speed and pace would depend on Fellows themselves. The 4 Sections should work together and align themselves rather than going different ways.
- c) Dr Sheila Loh, Chairperson, Section of Reproductive Medicine
- i. clarified to Fellows on the intentions of a survey on the Development of Reproductive Medicine Specialty which might not be clearly worded and had caused worries.
 - ii. the Committee received 44 replies out of over 200 forms sent. The Council was merely seeking feedback on directions for development of subspecialties. From the replies, it appeared that the views were divided. The only important point in the survey was that there should be some development of continuing medical education curriculum. The general consensus was that not every procedure needed to be accredited.
 - iii. concluded that the Section of Reproductive Medicine might not be ready for this yet.

d) Dr Roy Ng, Chairman, Section of Urogynaecology

- i. has obtained feedback from committee members on the Section of Urogynaecology;
- ii. Dr Ng wanted to reassure everyone that to-date in Singapore there were no recognized accreditation subspecialties except for IVF procedures.
- iii. it was felt that there should be some form of training system in the future. The system could either follow the American or British method of subspecialty training for Urogynaecology.
- iv. at the moment, the main idea of the Section was to concentrate on the training and gathering more knowledge of continuing medical education activities.

e) Dr Yeo Seow Heong, Chairman, Section of Maternal Fetal Medicine

- i. The Section should not be seen as a regulator in the practice of Obstetrics.
- ii. The followings were planned :
 - to refine standards of practice in Obstetrics – clinical practice guidelines and consensus statements of what the Chapter has been doing in the past;
 - to organize and evaluate education programmes, for example continuing medical education lectures, courses, workshops, distance learning programme, public forum, etc. and help with continuing professional development in Maternal Fetal Medicine;
 - to establish teaching and training programme for Obstetric Ultrasound.

f) Dr Alex Ooi

- i. lauded the issue of subspecialties development for the future and suggested that the Council should be inclusive rather than exclusive.
- ii. enquired why there were only 4 subspecialties within the College unlike other overseas fraternity Colleges, with other interest groups such as Gynaecologic Endoscopic and Minimally Invasive Surgeons of Singapore (GEM) included.

Dr Ho Tew Hong, President

- iii. when Dr Chang Tou Choong, Chairman of the then Chapter of O&G drafted the Memorandum of Articles, 4 subspecialties were considered because they were well recognized internationally.

- iv. the College had no objections in having interest groups such as GEMS, which was formed by the Obstetrical and Gynaecological Society of Singapore. The College felt that it should not duplicate and instead fully support the formation of GEMS by the Society.

Dr Lai Fon-Min, Vice-President and Chairman, Education Committee

- v. felt that there is a need for the Sections of the College to meet to define the frame work with the main focus in defining standards of practice in each area, developing consensus guidelines and statements and also organizing continuing medical education activities.
- vi. the Council hopes that these interest groups would fall under the umbrella of the College.

Dr Ho Tew Hong

- vii. the College consensus was to promote subsection interests and bring up the standard of practice in various ways so that everybody could benefit from it.
- viii. the College expressed its keen interest to promote continuing education activities, for example, courses, congresses, workshops and to establish training programmes and consensus guidelines.

- g) Dr A Ilancheran – the idea was not to separate anybody and was to raise standard.

h) Dr Jeffrey Low

- i. all should be aware that
 - Although Singapore is a small country, in time to come the subspecialties would be demanded by the population and patients that the doctors were serving. Fellows cannot ignore the evidence that the clinical outcome was shown to be better in certain area where care was provided by subspecialists.
 - Subspecialty should not be confused with special areas of interest. There are many areas of interest, for example, colposcopy and procedures related to endoscopy, which do not fall into the definition of subspecialty.

- ii. generally interest groups should promote and raise the standard of the practice of these procedures.

i) Dr Lee Keen Whye

- i. a few doctors met and discussed on the survey related to Reproductive Medicine subspecialty and there were concerns from the Fellows and these included :
- medico legal issues
 - ways of representation and guidance
 - what would be the required number of subspecialists

7. MAINTENANCE OF CERTIFICATION (MOC)

The House was informed by the President that the whole issue on MOC would be reverted to the reconstituted Education Committee of the Academy to review the original proposals.

8. 2ND COLLEGE OF OBSTETRICIANS AND GYNAECOLOGISTS LECTURE AND DINNER

The House was reminded by the President of the lecture and dinner to be held on 2 July 2005 at Grand Hyatt. The speaker will be Professor Allan Templeton, President of the RCOG.

9. RE-APPOINTMENT OF AUDITOR

The House re-appointed G S Tan & Co as the auditor for year 2005.

10. VOTE OF THANKS

The House recorded a vote of thanks to the Council of the College for doing a good job for the past one year.

The meeting closed at 8.10 pm.

24 June 2005

Minutes recorded by Ms Michelle Choy

Vetted by Dr Jeffrey Low, Honorary Secretary, COGS

Annual Report of the 2005 - 2006 Council

1. THE COUNCIL

The following were elected as office bearers of the 2005-2006 Council of the College of Obstetricians and Gynaecologists, Singapore. The Council took office from the 1st Annual General Meeting held on Friday, 24 June 2005 at 6.30pm at Lecture Theatre, Training Centre, KK Women's and Children's Hospital, 100 Bukit Timah Road, Singapore 229899:

President	Dr Ho Tew Hong
Vice-President	Dr Lai Fon-Min
Honorary Secretary	Dr Jeffrey Low
Honorary Treasurer	Dr Fong Chuan Wee
Council Members	Dr Chang Tou Choong Dr Suresh Nair Dr Ann Tan

Chairpersons of Sections

Gynaecological Oncology	Dr Tay Eng Hseon
Maternal Fetal Medicine	Dr Yeo Seow Heong
Reproductive Medicine	Dr Sheila Loh
Urogynaecology	Dr Roy Ng

Co-opted Council Members	Dr Lee Keen Whye, OGSS Dr See Tho Kai Yin, OGSS Dr Christine Yap, OGSS
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2. SUBSPECIALTY SECTIONS

The following were elected as Executive Committee of the Sections of the College:

Section of Gynaecological Oncology

Chairman	Dr Tay Eng Hseon
Vice-Chairman	Dr A Ilancheran
Honorary Secretary	Dr Denas Chandra
Committee Members	Dr Ho Hon Kwok Dr Ho Tew Hong Dr Jeffrey Low
Co-opted Member	Dr Tay Sun Kuie

Section of Maternal Fetal Medicine

Chairman	Dr Yeo Seow Heong
Vice-Chairman	Dr Chang Tou Choong
Honorary Secretary	Dr Arijit Biswas
Deputy Honorary Secretary	Dr Tan Hak Koon
Committee Members	Dr Mary Rauff Dr Ann Tan
Co-opted Member	Dr Tony Tan

Section of Reproductive Medicine

Chairman	Dr Sheila Loh
Vice-Chairman	Dr Koh Chung Fai
Honorary Secretary	Dr Loh Seong Feei
Committee Members	Dr Suresh Nair Dr Wong Peng Cheang Dr Yu Su Ling

Section of Urogynaecology

Chairman	Dr Roy Ng
Vice-Chairman	Dr Han How Chuan
Honorary Secretary	Dr Chua Hong Liang
Committee Members	Dr Fong Yoke Fai Dr Lee Lih Charn Dr Paul Tseng

Co-opted Members	Dr Lisa Chin Dr Chew Sek Yuen Dr See Tho Kai Yin
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3. MEMBERSHIP

The total membership of the College as at 31 December 2005 comprises:

Local	186
Overseas	4

Fellows not transferred as Fellows of the College of Obstetricians and Gynaecologists comprises:

Local	27
Overseas	2

4. COUNCIL MEETINGS

The Council held 7 meetings (excluding 1st AGM) in the year 2005.

5. CONTINUING MEDICAL EDUCATION

5.1 The following CME lecture was organised:

14 October 2005

Endocrine Events and Their Clinical Consequences in Ageing Men

(jointly organised with the Obstetrical & Gynaecological Society of Singapore)

Professor Bruno Lunenfeld
*Emeritus Professor of Obstetrics and Gynaecology,
Faculty of Life Sciences Bar-Ilan University, Israel*

Chairperson: Professor P C Wong
*Head, Department of Obstetrics and Gynaecology,
National University Hospital*

5.2 Participated as a nominal sponsor at the following events:

5-6 March 2005

10th Annual Colposcopy Course & 11th Annual Oration

(organised by Department of Obstetrics & Gynaecology, SGH)

Keynote Speaker: Professor Ronald Jones

He is the Clinical Professor and Director to the Department of Lower Genital Tract Diseases, National Women's Hospital, Auckland. New Zealand. Currently he is the President of the International Society for the Study of Vulvovaginal Disease

Teaching Faculty: A/Prof Ho Tew Hong, A/Prof Giam Yoke Chin, A/Prof A Ilancheran, A/Prof Tay Sun Kuie, Dr Chew Ling, Dr Chew Sung Hock, Dr Fong Kah Leng, Dr Jacqueline Hwang, Dr Lee I Wuen, Dr Jeffrey Low, Dr Quek Swee Chong, Dr Pritam Singh, Dr Tay Eng Hseon, Dr Adelina Wong, Dr Lisa Wong, Dr Philip Yam Kwai Lam

29 April – 1 May 2005

First ISUOG Obstetric Ultrasound Outreach Course

(co-organised by Department of Maternal Fetal Medicine, Division of O&G, KKH and ISUOG)

Local Organising Committee Chairman:
A/Prof Yeo Seow Heong

Regional Representatives:
Dr Lau Tze Kin (Hong Kong)

Teaching Faculty:

Overseas - Sturla Eik-Nes, Harm-Gerd K Blaas, Anne Brantberg, Eva Tegnander, Gerd Inger Lanke (from National Center for Fetal Medicine, Trondheim University Hospital, Trondheim, Norway)

Local - Dr Ann Tan, Dr Kelvin KH Tan, Dr Kenneth Kwek, Dr Tony Tan, Dr Yan Ying Liu

14 May 2005

Safe Surgery for Gynaecologists – An Interactive Workshop

(organised by Department of Gynaecological Subspecialties, Division of O&G, KKH)

Teaching Faculty:

Dr Jeffrey Low, Dr Anthony Siow, Dr Wendy Teoh, Dr Adeline Wong, Dr Bernard Chern, Dr Han How Chuan

6-7 July 2005

Advanced Surgical Workshop On Urogynaecology & Pelvic Floor Reconstruction 2005

(organised by Urogynaecology Centre, KKH)

Keynote Speaker: Professor Linda Cardozo

She is a world-renowned Consultant Obstetrician and Urogynaecologist practicing in King's College Hospital, London, UK.

Teaching Faculty:

Dr Han How Chuan, Dr Lee Lih Charn, Dr Christopher Chong Yew Luen, Dr Roy Ng

23-24 July 2005

Labour Ward & Intrapartum Management Course

(organised by Maternal Fetal Medicine Section, Department of O&G, SGH)

Keynote Speaker: Dr Sara Paterson-Brown

She is the Lead Consultant for Labour Ward Obstetrician and Gynaecologist at Queen Charlotte's and Chelsea Hospital, London. She also conducts the RCOG Labour Ward Management Special Skills Module and is a trainer for the MOET (Management of Obstetric Emergencies and Trauma) course in UK.

Teaching Faculty:

Dr Mickey Koh Boon Chai, Dr Kelvin Tan Kok Hian, A/Prof George Yeo SH, Dr Tan Lay Kok, Dr Kenneth Kwek, Dr Chee Huei Leng, Dr Devendra K

6-8 September 2005

GOU Annual Visiting Lecturer

(organised by Gynaecological Oncology Unit, KKH)

Lecture 1: Urological Complications from Gynaecological Surgery - Prevention & Management

Lecture 2: Gynaecological Surgery without Medicolegal Problems - is it possible?

Speaker: Dr Ravindran Jegasothy

Head & Senior Consultant

Department of O&G, Hospital Seremban

Honorary Lecturer, UKM, UM & USM

Honorary Senior Lecturer, IMU, Malaysia

Chairman of Ethics Committee, Malaysian Medical Association, Member of Ethics Committee, AMM, MMC

22 October 2005

Gynaecological Cancer Care Symposium

(organised by Gynaecological Oncology Unit, KKH)

Programme:

- Workshop on the Management of Chronic Cancer Pain
- Lunch, Lecture & Introduction of OxyContin
- Seminar on Living with Gynaecological Cancers
- Launch of the KKH Women's Cancer Support Group

Teaching Faculty:

Dr Tay Eng Hseon, Dr Jeffrey Low, Dr Angel Lee, Dr Wu Tuck Seng, Dr Rosalie Shaw, Dr Akhileswaran, NM Rajammal, Dr Yeo Sow Nam, Dr Foo Kian Fong, SSN Huang Fang, Ms Phuah Kar Yin, Ms Frances Yeo, Ms Catherine Chua

5.3 World Infertility Month, June 2005

World Infertility Month (WIM) is a worldwide campaign that aims to provide support and raise public awareness in order to increase understanding about infertility and other issues surrounding it. In June 2005, several events were organised by the Section of Reproductive Medicine, College of Obstetricians and Gynaecologists, Singapore as follows:

- Public Forum on 11 June 2005: "Ready, Steady, Start a Family"
Speakers: Dr Rosie King, a renowned Australian sex and relationship therapist, Dr Koh Chung Fai, Dr Christine Yap
- Public Forum on 18 June 2005: "Fertility: Helping Dreams Come True"
Welcome Speech: A/Prof Ho Tew Hong
Guest-of-honour: Mrs Yu-Foo Yee Shoon, Minister of State, MCDYS
Speakers: Dr Cheng Li Chang, Dr Yu Su Ling, Ms Yip Wan Yue, Dr Seng Shay Way, Dr Yeong Cheng Toh
- Launch of Patient Information Pamphlet "Infertility Information – Sometimes dreams need a little help"
- Launch of an Infertility information website
- Media/Press Release in The New Paper, TODAY, Shinmin Daily, Lianhe Wanbao, Live Interview
- Mandarin Public Forum on 25 June 2005

5.4 39th Singapore-Malaysia Congress Of Medicine, 30 June - 3 July 2005

The College of Obstetricians and Gynaecologists, Singapore participated in the 39th Singapore-Malaysia Congress of Medicine held from 30 June - 3 July 2005 at Shangri-La Hotel. The theme of the Congress was "Celebrating 100 Years of Medical Education". Dr Ann Tan was appointed as the College representative in the Organising Committee of the Congress. Two Obstetrics and Gynaecology Symposia were held on 2 July 2005 and two Workshops were held on 3 July 2005 as follows:

- i) Symposium 1: Infertility
 - The Infertility Work Up - Dr Haris Hamzah (Malaysia)
 - IVF - Choice of Regimens Agonist vs Antagonist: How to Make Better Senses of Things - Dr Loh Seong Feei (Singapore)
 - Restorative Surgery I: Therapeutic Hysteroscopy - Dr Lee Keen Whye (Singapore)
 - Restorative Surgery II: Therapeutic Laparoscopy - Dr Yap Lip Kee (Singapore)
- ii) Symposium 2: Early Pregnancy Care, PGD and Stem Cells Update

- Preimplantation Diagnosis – The Promise of Better Results? - Dr Christine Yap (Singapore)
- Cord Blood Banking and Stem Cells – What all OBGYNs Need to Know? - Dr Patrick Tan (Singapore)
- Early Pregnancy Care I: The Role of Ultrasound - A/Prof Yeo Seow Heong (Singapore)
- Early Pregnancy Care II: The Role of Hormones and Nutrition - Professor Zainul Rashid Md Razi (Malaysia)

There was no submission of papers for the Free Paper Session.

iii) Nuchal Translucency Course

Course Convenors: Dr Ann Tan and A/Prof Yeo Seow Heong

Teaching Faculty:

Overseas - Dr Jon Hyett

Local - A/Prof Yeo Seow Heong, Dr Lai Fon-Min, Dr Tony Tan, Dr Kenneth Kwek

iv) Gynaecological Ultrasound For Infertility Workshop Course Convenors: Dr Suresh Nair and Dr Ong Chou Li

Teaching Faculty: Dr Ann Tan, Dr Ong Chou Li, Ms Lee Sook Ling, Dr Yu Su Ling, Dr Lam Shu Lin, Dr Jothi Kumar, Dr Loh Seong Feei, Dr Lai Fon Min

5.5 Symposium On Medical Litigation and Labour Ward Emergencies, 25-27 November 2005

The Symposium was jointly organised by the Section of Maternal Fetal Medicine, College of Obstetricians and Gynaecologists, Singapore and Department of Maternal Fetal Medicine, KKH. The Scientific Programme comprised understanding the principles of risk management, the role of litigation authorities, specifically in relation to obstetric practice. The lectures and hands-on workshop, imparting practical skills with interactive components in this symposium have provided critical skills and knowledge of labour ward to improve the care of mother and baby.

Keynote Speaker: Mr David TY Liu

He is the Consultant Obstetrician & Gynaecologist at Nottingham City Hospital in United Kingdom.

Teaching Faculty: A/Prof Yeo Seow Heong, Dr Tan Kok Hian, Dr Kenneth Kwek, Dr Tony Tan, Dr Melissa J P Batilando, Dr Quek Bin Huey, Dr Chong Yap Seng, A/Prof Ho Lai Yun, Dr Devendra K, Dr Jackie Tan

5.6 2nd Certificate Course in Obstetric Ultrasound, 7-9 January 2006

The course was jointly organised by the Fetal Assessment Unit (The Centre for Prenatal Diagnosis and Obstetric Ultrasound), Thomson Medical Centre, Singapore and College of Obstetricians and Gynaecologists, Singapore.

The course was directed at busy obstetricians and sonologists / sonographers who want to be kept abreast of the latest in contemporary management of obstetric ultrasound issues and it comprised of lectures and Hands-on Ultrasound session.

Teaching Faculty:
Dr Suresh Seth (Guest Speaker)
Mediscan Systems, Chennai, India

Professor Peter Stone
Professor of Maternal Fetal Medicine and Head, Department of Obstetrics and Gynaecology, University of Auckland, New Zealand
Chairman, Training and Accreditation Committee (New Zealand)
Royal Australian and New Zealand College of Obstetricians and Gynaecologists

Dr Chang Tou Choong
Head of Fetal Maternal Medicine, Fetal Assessment Unit, Thomson Medical Centre
Visiting Consultant, Department of Maternal Fetal Medicine, KK Women's and Children's Hospital
Associate Professor, Department of Obstetrics and Gynaecology, University of Auckland, New Zealand

5.7 **6th Regional MRCOG Part II Examination Course, 20-22 January 2006**

The course was jointly organised by the College of Obstetricians and Gynaecologists, Singapore, in partnership with KK Hospital O&G Examination Oriented Training Committee, Royal College of Obstetricians and Gynaecologists and the Singapore Representative Committee RCOG. This highly successful course helps trainee doctors in O&G from Singapore and neighbouring countries to prepare for the MRCOG Part II examinations. The two distinguished RCOG examiners were Professor William Ledger (Chair, MRCOG Examination Committee) and Dr Nigel Davies (Chair, DRCOG Committee and Member of the MRCOG Examination Committee). The course was well attended by a total of 35 candidates (1 absentee) from Hong Kong, Malaysia and Singapore.

6. **CLINICAL PRACTICE GUIDELINES AND CONSENSUS STATEMENTS**

The following consensus statements were drafted with the help from Convenors who are experts in these fields and the final production of the statements shall be circulated to the members of the College of Obstetricians and Gynaecologists, Singapore for their inputs.

Obstetrics

- i) Management of pre-eclampsia
- ii) Management of post-partum haemorrhage
- iii) DVT prophylaxis in obstetrics and gynaecology

Gynaecology

- i) Management and evaluation of menorrhagia (including management of fibroids)
- ii) Management of recurrent early pregnancy loss
- iii) Evaluation of women with urinary incontinence.

7. **EDUCATION COMMITTEE**

Subspecialty Development

The Education Committee will work closely on the definition of the generic terms of reference for the Subspecialties and a standard set of questions for survey will be circulated to all fellows of the College for feedback.

Launch of the Distance Learning Programme (DLP)

The Distance Learning Programme (DLP) has been officially launched on 1st November 2005. The DLP would allow doctors the flexibility to attempt CME/CDE modules online and to learn and update their medical/dental knowledge. The passing rate for each module is 60% and each doctor is allowed up to two attempts for each module should they fail in their first attempt. Two CME points will be awarded for passing each medical module and one CDE point for each dental module. Fellows may access the DLP through the Member Login secured area via the Academy's website at www.ams.edu.sg using their MCR/DCR number and password.

Maintenance of Certification (MOC)

The Singapore Medical Council (SMC) has requested the Academy of Medicine, Singapore to submit a concept paper on the proposed MOC programme for specialists in Singapore. The Academy Education Committee on MOC, chaired by Dr Ho Lai Yun, has proposed a MOC programme and the Academy has submitted the concept paper for SMC's consideration.

8. **APPRECIATION**

The College wishes to record its appreciation to all Fellows for their support and efforts rendered in the past year as well as for ongoing projects.

31 December 2005
Dr Jeffrey Low
Honorary Secretary
on behalf of 2004-2005 Council



2nd College of Obstetricians and Gynaecologists Lecture and Dinner held on 2 July 2005. From left to right: Prof Low Cheng Hock, Master, Academy of Medicine, Singapore, A/Prof Ho Tew Hong, President, College of Obstetricians and Gynaecologists and Prof Allan Templeton, President, Royal College of Obstetricians and Gynaecologists.

College of Paediatrics & Child Health



In the centre of the Shield, the Chevron symbolises the coming-together of all medical specialties to provide the best medical care for the nation.

The two children represent paediatrics and healthy children. The snake coiling around the rod symbolizes "healing". The four circular red dots joined together by olive leaves symbolise the four races living harmoniously in Singapore and in the pink of health.

Supporting the Shield are two lions which represent Singapore. The olive branches symbolise anointing and medicinal values. The Motto "Recta Sapere" urges us to seek and savour the truth at all times.

2005 – 2006 Council



Standing (left to right):

Dr Lee Bee Wah (Council Member), Dr Anne Goh (Council Member), Dr Daisy Chan (Council Member)

Seated (left to right):

Dr Samuel Rajadurai (Honorary Treasurer), Dr Quak Seng Hock (President), Dr Ho Lai Yun (Vice President), Dr Daniel Goh (Honorary Secretary)

2nd Annual General Meeting

Notice is hereby given that the 2nd Annual General Meeting of the College of Paediatrics and Child Health, Singapore will be held on Monday, 15 May 2006 at 5.30pm at Tutorial Room, Ward 54, Block 5 Level 4 Singapore General Hospital, Outram Road, Singapore 169608.

AGENDA

1. Minutes of the 1st Annual General Meeting held on 22 July 2005
2. Annual Report of the 2005 Council
3. Presentation of Audited Accounts as at 31 December 2005
4. Election of the 2006-2008 Council

The following 4 nominations have been received prior to closing time:

Candidate	Proposer	Secunder
Daisy Chan	Ho Lai Yun	Yeo Cheo Lian
Anne Goh	Phua Kong Boo	Lim Kim Whee
Lee Bee Wah	Daniel Goh	Quak Seng Hock
Ong Hian Tat	Daniel Goh	Quak Seng Hock

The above duly elected Councillors will take office with effect from the 2nd Annual General Meeting.

5. Appointment of Auditors
6. Other business, notice of which shall be given in writing to the Honorary Secretary at least seven days prior to such meeting.

2 May 2006
Dr Daniel Goh
Honorary Secretary

1st Annual General Meeting

Minutes of the 1st Annual General Meeting 2005 of the College of Paediatrics & Child Health, held on Friday, 22 July 2005, at Conference Room 2, Women's Towers Level 1, KK Women's and Children's Hospital.

Present (18):

Dr Quak Seng Hock	President
Dr Daniel Goh	Honorary Secretary
Dr Samuel Rajadurai	Honorary Treasurer
Dr Daisy Chan	Council Member
Dr Anne Goh	Council Member
Dr Lynette Shek	College Member
Dr Marion Aw	College Member
Dr Chay Oh Moh	College Member
Dr Michael Toh	College Member
Dr Ho Pui San	College Member
Dr Roy Joseph	College Member
Dr Teo Siak Hong	College Member
Dr Ong Eng Keow	College Member
Dr Irene Chan	College Member
Dr Jenny Tang	College Member
Dr Ivy Ng	College Member
Dr Chong Chia Yin	College Member
Dr Warren Lee	College Member

In Attendance:

Mr Cheong Kah Seng	Project Executive (AMS)
Ms Ho Yen Theng	Finance Executive (AMS)

Absent with Apologies:

Dr Ho Lai Yun	Vice-President
Dr Lee Bee Wah	Council Member
Dr Yeo Cheo Lian	College Member
Dr Loke Kah Yin	College Member
Dr Lian Wee Bin	College Member
Dr Stacey Tay	College Member
Dr Agnes Tay	College Member
Dr June Lou	College Member
Dr Sylvia Choo	College Member

1. PREAMBLE

The College of Paediatrics and Child Health Annual General Meeting 2005 was originally scheduled on 02 July 2005 in conjunction with 39th Singapore-Malaysia Congress of Medicine. However, there being less than a quorum of 20 members, the meeting was adjourned to 22 July 2005.

The 1st College Annual General Meeting was held on 22 July 2005 at KK Women's and Children's Hospital. Dr Quak Seng Hock, President of the College of Paediatrics and Child Health, called the meeting to order at 1750hrs and welcomed all members.

2. ANNUAL REPORT OF THE 2004-2005 CPCHS COUNCIL

The President gave a brief illustration on the College Crest and its Coat of Arms. He updated the House that the total membership for the College stood at 129 as at December 2004. The College has organised a total of three CME events in 2004.

The President informed that the College Inaugural Lectureship was held on 30 April 2005 at Sheraton Towers and Dr Ho Lai Yun delivered the lecture entitled "Caring for Children with Special Needs in Singapore".

2.1 Distance Learning Programme (DLP)

The House was informed by the President that the DLP was currently under developing stage and would be opened to all members of the Academy and Colleges in the near future. The DLP modules are in the form of Multiple Choice Questions (MCQ). This would serve as an additional channel for members to gain Continuing Medical Education (CME) points.

2.2 Maintenance of Certification (MOC)

One of the members enquired on the status of the MOC proposal and the President replied that it was still under discussion/debate and there will be more meetings to solidify and actualize the final proposal. However, he assured that the logbook system would be removed from the final MOC proposal.

The President introduced to the House, Dr Daniel Goh, Honorary Secretary of the College. He is also the representative for Education Committee and will be in charged of updating the College with regards to matters on MOC.

Without further issues, the House adopted the 2004-2005 Annual Report as proposed by Dr Ivy Ng and seconded by Dr Ho Pui San.

3. AUDITED ACCOUNTS FOR COLLEGE OF PAEDIATRICS AND CHILD HEALTH, SINGAPORE

Dr Samuel Rajadurai, Honorary Treasurer of the College presented the accounts, with aid of power point slides on the College accounts as at 31 December 2004.

Ms Ho Yen Theng, Finance Executive of the Academy, informed the House that 25% of the total paid up subscriptions would be transferred to the College on a pro-rated basis for funding the College. The President updated the House that the Paediatric Lectureship is a fund built up from previous event and is designated for Lectureship under the College.

Dr Joseph Roy suggested that the accounts should be passed by members before it is printed in the annual report. Dr Quak replied that any issues/ changes to the accounts could still be raised during the Annual General Meeting and it will be amended in the next annual report. However, the President noted his suggestion.

The House noted that the College is in a healthy statement of accounts for the year 2004-2005 and adopted the accounts as proposed by Dr Marion Aw and seconded by Dr Roy Joseph.

4. RE-APPOINTMENT OF AUDITORS

The House agreed to the Council's recommendation to re-appoint G.S. Tan & Co. as auditors for the accounts ending 31 December 2005.

5. ANY OTHER MATTERS

5.1 Fund Raising For College

The President raised the issue on the financial stability of the College. He commented that College should try to raise more funds and generate more income for future sustainability.

Dr Samuel Rajadurai suggested to organise more meetings where sale of exhibition booths could be included to generate more income. The President added that College should organise its own meetings so that the profits/losses will be solely bore by the College.

One of the members highlighted that we could get subsidy from Singapore Tourism Board and Singapore Medicine if we organise regional / international meetings.

Overall, the House was in favour towards the idea of organising more meetings to generate funds and income for the College. The President concluded that the College Council will further discuss and plan for these meetings at the next Council meeting.

Without further issues, the College President thanked all members for attending this 1st College Annual General Meeting and for their support to the activities of the College.

There being no other business, the meeting ended at 7.30pm.

Recorded by: Mr Cheong Kah Seng, Project Executive

Vetted by: Dr Quak Seng Hock, President of CPCHS
Dr Daniel Goh, Honorary Secretary of CPCHS

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ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The 1st Annual General Meeting of the College of Paediatrics and Child Health, Singapore was originally scheduled on 2 July 2005 in conjunction with the 39th Singapore-Malaysia Congress of Medicine. However, there being less than a quorum of 20 members, the meeting was adjourned to 22 July 2005 at Conference Room 2, (Training Centre, Women's Tower, Level 1), KK Women's and Children's Hospital.

The office-bearers for the year 2005-2006 were elected as follows:

President	Dr Quak Seng Hock
Vice-President	Dr Ho Lai Yun
Honorary Secretary	Dr Goh Yam Thiam, Daniel
Honorary Treasurer	Dr Rajadurai, Victor Samuel
Council Members	Dr Goh Eng Kim, Anne Dr Chan Kwai Lin, Daisy Dr Lee Bee Wah

Dr Ho Lai Yun, Dr Daisy Chan, Dr Lee Bee Wah and Dr Anne Goh will retire at the next Annual General Meeting. All are eligible for re-election except Dr Ho Lai Yun who will take office as Master, Academy of Medicine in May 2006.

MEMBERSHIP

The total membership of the College now stands at 142 (as at 31 December 2005).

COUNCIL MEETINGS

The Council met at least once bi-monthly to consider the business and affairs of the College. At the time of writing the Annual Report, the 2005-2006 Council held six meetings during the year 2005.

CONTINUING MEDICAL EDUCATION

The following Continuing Medical Education (CME) lectures were organized:

27 May 2005

Approach to the Child with Developmental Delay

Professor Veena Kalra

Professor and Head, Department of Pediatrics, All India Institute of Medical Sciences (AIIMS)

Chairperson: Dr Yeo Cheo Lian

Head, Department of Neonatal and Developmental Medicine, SGH and Senior Consultant, Child Development Unit, KKH

21 September 2005

Controversies on ITP

(co-organised with Department of Paediatric Medicine, KK Women's & Children's Hospital)

Professor George B. Segel

MD, Professor of Pediatrics, Medicine and Oncology, Department of Pediatrics, University of Rochester School of Medicine

Chairperson: Dr Tan Ah Moy

Head, Haematology/Oncology

Department of Paediatric Medicine Subspecialities, KK Women's & Children's Hospital

39TH SINGAPORE-MALAYSIA CONGRESS OF MEDICINE, 30 JUNE – 03 JULY 2005

A full day session of the College of Paediatrics and Child Health was held on 2 July 2005 at Grand Hyatt, Singapore. It was well attended by doctors and nurses. There were a total of three symposia held by the College and a lunch symposium sponsored by Mead Johnson Nutritionals. The representative from the College for this congress was Dr Daisy Chan.

During the congress, Dr Jill Sewell, President of The Royal Australasian College of Physicians was conferred Fellowship of the College. A total of 12 free papers were presented at the Free Paper Sessions. Dr Marion Aw emerged as the winner for the Best Free Paper Award and received a prize money of S\$200.00.

The Congress generated a surplus of approximately \$67,382. Of this, the College would be disbursed with \$6,701 based on trade and registration income generated by the College after deducting relevant and necessary expenses incurred.

INAUGURAL LECTURESHIP AND DINNER FOR COLLEGE OF PAEDIATRICS AND CHILD HEALTH, SINGAPORE

To celebrate the formation of the college, an inaugural lectureship was organised on 30 April 2005 at Sheraton Towers Hotel. There was an Inauguration Ceremony of the College followed by the Inaugural College of Paediatrics and Child Health Lecture, delivered by Dr Ho Lai Yun on "Caring for Children with Special Needs in Singapore", and the College Dinner. It was well attended by about 130 guests and Professor Low Cheng Hock, Master, Academy of Medicine, Singapore was the Guest-of-Honour.

DISTANCE LEARNING PROGRAMME (DLP)

The Distance Learning Programme (DLP) was officially launched on 1 November 2005. The DLP would allow doctors

the flexibility to attempt Continuing Medical Education (CME)/ Continuing Dental Education (CDE) modules online and to learn and update their medical/ dental knowledge at their own pace and most convenient time while at the same time gain CME/ CDE points.

The College of Paediatrics and Child Health, Singapore had submitted 2 modules for the DLP. Fellows who wish to access the DLP may do so through the member login secured area via the academy's website at www.ams.edu.sg using their MCR/ DCR number and password.

PAEDIATRICS AND CHILD HEALTH JOURNAL

The College of Paediatrics and Child Health would be publishing a refereed journal entitled "Paediatrics And Child Health". The journal is a joint publication of the College and the Singapore Paediatric Society and will be published quarterly. The inaugural issue would be distributed in April 2006.

This journal, although new, has had a rich history, having evolved from its predecessors, the Singapore Paediatric Journal and the Journal of the Singapore Paediatric Society.

Dr Quak Seng Hock is the chief editor of the journal and the members of the editorial board consist of Dr Ho Lai Yun, Dr Daniel Goh, Dr Quek Swee Chye and Dr Phua Kong Boo.

ANNUAL SINGAPORE PAEDIATRIC CONGRESS (ASPC 2006)

The College of Paediatrics and Child Health, Singapore and the Singapore Paediatric Society are planning to organise the Annual Singapore Paediatric Congress (ASPC 2006) on 19-20 August 2006 (Saturday and Sunday). A post-congress workshop comprising the "Advance Resuscitation In Children" (ARC) course will be held on 21-22 August 2006 at KK Women's and Children's Hospital. The congress will involve active participation from the region. An organising committee has been formed to plan the plenary lectures and symposia. Please look out for the 1st preliminary announcement and we look forward to your participation.

APPRECIATION

The College wishes to express its heartfelt thanks to all members for their unfailing support of ongoing projects and activities in the past year's activities and record its appreciation and thanks to the secretariat for their kind support.

31 December 2005
Dr Goh Yam Thiam, Daniel
Honorary Secretary 2005-2006
College of Paediatrics and Child Health



Picture taken at the inaugural lectureship of the College of Paediatrics And Child Health, Singapore at Sheraton Towers on 30 April 2005.

First row, Left to Right: Dr Ho Lai Yun (Vice-President), Dr Daisy Chan (Council Member), Dr Daniel Goh (Honorary Secretary), Dr Lee Bee Wah (Council Member)

Second row, Left to Right: Dr Samuel Rajadurai (Honorary Treasurer), Dr Quak Seng Hock (President), Dr Low Cheng Hock (Master, AMS).



Dr Quak Seng Hock (President) presenting a token of appreciation to Dr Ho Lai Yun at the Inaugural Lectureship and Dinner at Sheraton Towers on 30 April 2005.



Dr Jill Sewell, President of the Royal Australasian College Physicians, receiving the fellowship from Dr Quak Seng Hock (President), College of Paediatrics and Child Health, Singapore at 39th Singapore - Malaysia Congress of Medicine.

College of Physicians, Singapore



The Emblem of the College shall consist of a shield supported by 2 lions on each side. The lions represent Singapore and dauntless courage. Within the shield, the Chevron symbolizes the coming-together of the specialties of internal medicine under one roof – the College. The 16 bars in the Chevron represent 14 current and future chapters. The column represents fortitude and constancy; with a serpent coiled around it representing wisdom with fortitude. The orchid Vanda Miss Joaquim is the Singapore's national flower. Its hardy and resilient qualities and its ability to bloom throughout the year are the characteristics which reflect our quest for progress and excellence. The Singapore's Lion Head symbolizes courage, strength and excellence, as well as resilience in the face of challenges.

On top of the Shield is a banner with the wordings "College of Physicians". Below the shield is a banner inscribed with the Academy of Medicine, Singapore's motto, "Recta Sapere", which urges us to seek and savour the truth at all times.

2005 – 2006 Council



Standing (Left to Right)

Dr Wong Sin Yew (Chairman, Chapter of Infectious Disease Physicians), Dr Christopher Chen (Chairman, Chapter of Neurologists), Dr Vernon Oh MS (Chairman, Chapter of General Physicians), Dr Ho Kheng Thye (Chairman, Chapter of Cardiologists), Dr Leong Keng Hong (Chairman, Chapter of Rheumatologists), Dr Roy Chan KW (Chairman, Chapter of Dermatologists)

Seated (Left to Right)

Dr Khoo Kei Siong (Council Member), Dr Chan Kin Ming (Honorary Treasurer), Dr Ng Keng Yeen (Vice-President), Dr Lim Shih Hui (President), Dr Julian Thumboo (Honorary Secretary), Dr Sum Chee Fang (Council Member), Dr Terrance Chua SJ (Council Member)

Absent with apologies

Dr C Rajasooriya (Chairman, Chapter of Endocrinologists), Dr Richard Guan (Chairman, Chapter of Gastroenterologists), Dr Philip Choo WJ (Chairman, Chapter of Geriatricians), Dr Patrick Tan HC (Chairman, Chapter of Haematologists), Dr Toh Han Chong (Chairman, Chapter of Medical Oncologists), Dr Kong Keng He (Chairman, Chapter of Rehabilitation Physicians), Dr Wong Kok Seng (Chairman, Chapter of Renal Physicians), Dr Alan Ng WK (Chairman, Chapter of Respiratory Physicians), Dr Cynthia Goh (Chairman, Section of Palliative Medicine)

2nd Annual General Meeting

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the 2nd Annual General Meeting of the College Of Physicians, Singapore will be held on Saturday, 29 April 2006 at 2.00pm at the Lecture Hall (Level 4), National Cancer Centre, 11 Hospital Drive, Singapore 169610.

AGENDA

1. Minutes of the 1 Annual General Meeting held on 25 June 2005
2. Report of the Council for the period 1 January to 31 December 2005
3. Matters Arising
4. Presentation of the Audited Accounts as at 31 December 2005
5. Election of the 2006-2008 Council

The following four nominations to the 2006-2008 Council have been received prior to closing time:

Nominee	Proposer	Secunder
Roland Chong S E	Ratnagopal, Pavanni	Yeoh Swee Inn
Terrance Chua S J	Ng Keng Yeen	Wong Kok Seng
Khoo Kei Siong	Julian Thumboo	Ang Peng Tiam
Leo Yee Sin	Lim Shih Hui	Lim Poh Lian

As the number of nominations exceeds the number of vacancies, election by postal ballots was being carried out. The three candidates with the highest votes were declared elected. The duly elected councilors (in alphabetical order by surname) were:

- i) Roland Chong S E
- ii) Terrance Chua S J
- iii) Khoo Kei Siong

6. Appointment of Auditors
7. Other business, notice of which shall be given in writing to the Honorary Secretary at least seven (7) days prior to such Meeting

14 March 2006
Dr Julian Thumboo
Honorary Secretary

1st Annual General Meeting

Minutes of the 1st Annual General Meeting of the College of Physicians, Singapore held on Saturday, 25 June 2005 at 2.00pm Lecture Hall, Level 4, National Cancer Centre, 11 Hospital Drive, Singapore 169610.

The following members were present:

1. Dr Chan Guek Cheng, Noreen
2. Dr Chan Kin Ming
3. Dr Chan Kum Wah, Roy
4. Dr Chew Chin Hin
5. Dr Choo Wee Jin, Philip
6. Dr Ho King Hee
7. Dr Khoo Kei Siong
8. Dr Lau Tang Ching
9. Dr Leong Sou Fong, Rosslyn
10. Dr Lim Ai Chi, Peter
11. Dr Lim Heok Seng
12. Dr Lim Shih Hui
13. Dr Lim Shun Ping
14. Dr Ng Keng Yeen
15. Dr Ng Kwok Choy
16. Dr Ng Wei Keong, Alan
17. Dr Oh Min-Sen, Vernon
18. Dr Ong Yong Yau
19. Dr Pinheiro Leslie
20. Dr See Hui Ti
21. Dr Sitoh Yih Yiow
22. Dr Sum Chee Fang
23. Dr Tan Hooi Hwa
24. Dr Tan Huat Chye, Patrick
25. Dr Julian Thumboo
26. Dr Tien Sim Leng
27. Dr Wong Hon Yip, Raymond
28. Dr Wong Kok Seng

A total of 76 Fellows tendered their apologies for not being able to be present.

In attendance:

Ms Ho Yen Theng, Finance Executive
Academy of Medicine, Singapore

Ms Sharon Loo, Secretariat
College of Physicians, Singapore
Academy of Medicine, Singapore

The President of the 2004-2006 Council, Dr Lim Shih Hui, called the meeting to order at 2.05pm.

1. PREAMBLE

- 1.1 The President, Dr Lim Shih Hui, thanked all Fellows who were present for attending the College's 1st Annual General Meeting.
- 1.2 The House rose and observed one minute of silence in memory of Dr Vincent Kwok Kian Choo, who passed away in 2004 and Dr Sivakami Devi, who passed away in June 2005.

2. ANNUAL REPORT OF THE 2004-2005 COUNCIL

The Annual Report was passed by the Fellows without amendment.

3. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE ANNUAL REPORT

3.1 The Council

It was noted that the following 7 Interim Council Members elected in August 2004 by postal ballot will take office after this AGM as the 2005-2007 Council:

President:	Dr Lim Shih Hui
Vice-President:	Dr Ng Keng Yeen
Honorary Secretary:	Dr Julian Thumboo
Honorary Treasurer:	Dr Chan Kin Ming
Council Members:	Dr Terrance Chua Tju Siang
	Dr Khoo Kei Siong
	Dr Sum Chee Fang

3.2 Membership

As of 25 June 2005, there were 14 Chapters in College of Physicians. The following elected interim Chairmen will take office as Chairmen of their respective Chapters for 2005-2007:

Cardiologists	Dr Ho Kheng Thye
Dermatologists	Dr Roy Chan Kum Wah
Endocrinologists	Dr C Rajasoorya
Gastroenterologists	Dr Richard Guan
General Physicians	Dr Vernon Oh
Geriatricians	Dr Philip Choo
Haematologists	Dr Patrick Tan
Infectious Disease Physicians	Dr Wong Sin Yew
Medical Oncologists	Dr Toh Han Chong
Neurologists	Dr Christopher Chen Li Hsian
Rehabilitation Physicians	Dr Kong Keng He
Renal Physicians	Dr Wong Kok Seng
Respiratory Physicians	Dr Alan Ng Wei Keong
Rheumatologists	Dr Leong Keng Hong

It was noted that of the 623 physicians registered with the Singapore Medical Council, 473 are Fellows of the Academy of Medicine, Singapore. Of these 473 Fellows, 434 have had their membership transferred

to the College of Physicians. The remaining 39 fellows will have their membership transfer effected upon payment of outstanding dues to the Academy of Medicine, in accordance with the Memorandum and Articles of Association of College of Physicians.

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

Cardiologists	68
Dermatologists	41
Endocrinologists	35
Gastroenterologists	39
General Physicians	41
Geriatricians	26
Haematologists	18
Infectious Disease Physicians	11
Medical Oncologists	20
Neurologists	31
Rehabilitation Physicians	13
Renal Physicians	26
Respiratory Physicians	44
Rheumatologists	21

The President urged these Fellows to quickly settle their dues with the Academy so that they could be Fellows of the College and respective Chapters.

3.3 Annual Subscription to the College

The main income of the College will be through Fellow's annual subscriptions to the Academy of Medicine, Singapore. As determined by the Council of the Academy of Medicine, Singapore, 25% of the annual subscription received by the Academy from Physicians Fellows would be transferred to the College. If Fellows do not settle their dues, the income of the College would thus be affected.

3.4 College Bye-Laws and Regulations

Dr Lim SH requested that Fellows read through the College Bye-Laws and Regulations which were sent together with the Notice of Meeting. If any Fellows have any suggestions or amendments, they were requested to write to or email Dr Lim SH or College Secretariat.

3.5 Inaugural Annual Scientific Meeting (Friday, 20 August 2004)

The House noted that Professor Chee Yam Cheng, Assistant Chief Executive Officer (Clinical), National Healthcare Group and Senior Consultant, Department of Medicine, Tan Tock Seng Hospital, Singapore delivered the Inaugural College of Physicians (Singapore) Lecture entitled "The Role of Internal Medicine as a Specialty in the Era of Subspecialisation" at the College's Inaugural Scientific Meeting.

4. AUDITED ACCOUNTS AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2004

- 4.1 Dr Chan Kin Ming informed the House that the main income of the College in 2004 was from the transfer of funds from the Academy of Medicine, Singapore. There were no other sources of income as the College was only incorporated in September 2004. Academy of Medicine, Singapore transferred 25% of the subscription to the College which amounted \$13,483. After a further transfer of 25% to the various Chapters, the net revenue for the College is \$10,112.
- 4.2 The Operating Cost was \$4,600. Parts of the operating cost were for the new College's logo and professional fees to incorporate the College.
- 4.3 The College's total net current assets amounted to \$146,332. This amount was largely from accumulated funds from the following:
1. Seah Cheng Siang Memorial Lecture
 2. Chapter of Dermatologists Lecture
 3. Chapter of Neurologists Lecture
 4. College of Physicians (Singapore) Lecture

5. SEAH CHENG SIANG MEMORIAL LECTURE

- 5.1 Dr Lim SH informed the House that there are 3 components in the Seah Cheng Siang Memorial Fund:
1. Seah Cheng Siang Gold Medal
 2. Seah Cheng Siang Memorial Lecture Fund
 3. Seah Cheng Siang Research Fund
- 5.2 The Seah Cheng Siang Memorial Lecture Fund is now under the care of the College of Physicians. Based on guidelines, up to \$10,000 per year would be spent on the air fare and honorarium. For the past 4 years, the fund was not utilized for airfare. This was because invited speakers were either stationed in Singapore or airfare were paid for by pharmaceutical company (Prof Carol Black).
- 5.3 The Seah Cheng Siang Research Fund would be handled by the Academy of Medicine, Singapore for the next three years. A Committee would be formed, including representatives from College of Physicians, to formulate a good plan to grow the fund. At the end of the three years, an evaluation of the status of the fund would be performed. If needed at that time, the management of this fund would be transferred to College of Physicians.

6. SUCCESSFUL REGISTRATION OF IPC STATUS

The House noted that the College had been registered as an Institute of Public Character (IPC) and also successfully registered itself as a member of The

Health Endowment Fund (HEF) scheme thus donations received are tax deductible. Fellows were encouraged to help to raise funds for their respective Chapters. If a Chapter raises its own funds, these funds could be used to fund its Continuing Professional Development (CPD) activities.

7. RE-APPOINTMENT OF AUDITORS

It was agreed to re-appoint G.S.Tan & Co as the auditor for the College.

8. 2ND ANNUAL SCIENTIFIC MEETING

The College's 2nd Annual Scientific Meeting would be held in conjunction with the 39th Singapore-Malaysia Congress of Medicine on 1 and 2 July 2005. Dr Ng Keng Yeen is the Chairman of the organising committee as well as representing the College in the main Congress organising committee. The programme included five symposia, two named lectures and two free paper sessions.

The 15th Seah Cheng Siang Memorial Lecture would be delivered by Professor Roger Williams, Director, Institute of Hepatology, University College London, UK, titled "Liver Transplantation: Lessons Learnt and Future Horizons". The 2nd College of Physicians (Singapore) Lecture, titled "Challenges in Medical Education in the Making of Tomorrow's Doctors" would be delivered by Professor Dame Carol Black, President, Royal College of Physicians (London).

1st College Conferment Ceremony. Three overseas Presidents: Dr C Anderson Hedberg, Professor Dato' Mrs S T Kew and Professor Dame Carol Black would receive fellowship from the College. To recognise his contributions to the College of Physicians, the medical community in Singapore and in the development of internal medicine, the College shall confer Honorary Fellowship on Dr Chew Chin Hin.

It was highlighted that all named Lectures would be open to everyone, including those who did not register for the 39th Singapore-Malaysia Congress of Medicine.

9. UPDATE ON CONTINUING PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME (CPD) & MAINTENANCE OF CERTIFICATION (MOC)

- 9.1 At the Academy's AGM, it was decided to form a review committee. The review committee would comprise specialists from both the public and private sectors. This is to ensure that any proposals made would be durable and achievable for all specialists, while being relatively easy to achieve and maintaining high professional standards.

9.2 Dr Lim Shun Ping, one of the representatives from Academy of Medicine in the SMC-MOC committee, informed the House that the first meeting would be on 29 July 2005. He would be a channel of feedback between the committee and the College of Physicians and Academy of Medicine.

9.3 Dr Lim SH stressed that regardless of the outcome of this SMC-MOC Committee meeting, the College and the respective Chapters have to prepare a good CPD programme for the Fellows and to maintain the highest standard of medical practice.

10. FUTURE OF THE COLLEGE AND CHAPTERS

10.1 The College would handle three groups of doctors:

- Specialists
- Trainees in Advanced Specialty Training (AST)
- Trainees in Basic Specialty Training (BST)

10.2 As of now, the main objective for the College and Chapters is to focus on Specialists' CPD and maintenance of certification. The Chapters would play a complimentary role in the training and accreditation of specialists by providing a national training programme.

10.3 In the future, the College might be involved in the MRCP/MMed exam. The next MOU is scheduled to be signed in 2007, at which time the College of Physicians could be one of the three parties involved. Thus the College would have a more important role to play in the certification of basic training.

10.4 Training and accreditation of ASTs would be an important role for the College and Chapters to play in the future. However, the College would have to first handle CPD well. By end of 2006, good CPD programmes should be put in place for our fellows.

10.5 The most important asset of the College is the fellows and their contributions. Dr Lim appealed to Fellows to sacrifice a little more time for the College and Chapters.

11. ANY OTHER MATTERS

11.1 At the request of Dr Lim Shun Ping, Dr Lim SH updated the House on the issue of why fellows need to contribute towards the building fund. There are plans to look for a new building to house all the Colleges. There is a need for a separate building to meet the needs of the Academy of Medicine, SMA and College of Family Physicians. Master, Academy of Medicine had written to the SingHealth Group CEO regarding this. The building fund is to cater for the future expansion of the Academy of Medicine.

11.2 Dr Roy Chan asked for confirmation on the issue of accumulating points starting from 2006. Dr Lim SH, replied that in the proposal made, it was recommended that all Fellows of the Academy be allowed to start accumulating points from 2006 if the cycle were to start from 2007. This would need to be approved by SMC.

11.3 The next AGM would be held on the last Saturday of April 2006. Half of the elected Council members would retire. The College Council had agreed that the President, Vice-President, Honorary Secretary and Treasurer would be in office for a total of two years. The other three Council members, Dr Khoo Kei Siong, Dr Sum Chee Fang and Dr Terrance Chua Siang Jin would retire. However, they would be eligible for re-election.

11.4 Dr Lim SH appealed to the Fellows to volunteer their service to the College either as College Council members or Chapter Specialty Board Members.

11.5 Dr Lim SH thanked all the Council members and Chapter Chairmen and Chapter Specialty Board Members for the time and helping the College to progress further.

There being no other matters, the meeting ended at 2.55pm.

Minutes recorded by Ms Sharon Loo (Secretariat)
Vetted by Dr Julian Thumboo (Honorary Secretary)
Approved by Dr Lim Shih Hui (President)

13 July 2005

Annual Report of the 2005 - 2006 Council

1. 1ST ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The 1st Annual General Meeting of the College of Physicians, Singapore was held on Saturday, 25 June 2005 at the Lecture Hall, National Cancer Centre, 11 Hospital Drive, Singapore 169610.

2. THE COUNCIL

The following Council Members took office as the 2005-2006 Council after the 1st Annual General Meeting:

President:	Dr Lim Shih Hui
Vice-President:	Dr Ng Keng Yeen
Honorary Secretary:	Dr Julian Thumboo
Honorary Treasurer:	Dr Chan Kin Ming
Council Members:	Dr Terrance Chua Tju Siang Dr Khoo Kei Siong Dr Sum Chee Fang

3. CHAIRPERSONS OF CHAPTERS

The following elected interim Chairmen took office as the Chairmen of their respective Chapters for 2005-2006:

Cardiologists	Dr Ho Kheng Thye
Dermatologists	Dr Roy Chan Kum Wah
Endocrinologists	Dr C Rajasoorya
Gastroenterologists	Dr Richard Guan
General Physicians	Dr Vernon Oh Min-Sen
Geriatricians	Dr Philip Choo Wee Jin
Haematologists	Dr Patrick Tan Huat Chye
Infectious Disease Physicians	Dr Wong Sin Yew
Medical Oncologists	Dr Toh Han Chong
Neurologists	Dr Christopher Chen Li-Hsian
Rehabilitation Physicians	Dr Kong Keng He
Renal Physicians	Dr Wong Kok Seng
Respiratory Physicians	Dr Alan Ng Wei Keong
Rheumatologists	Dr Leong Keng Hong

4. MEMBERSHIP

4.1 As of 31 December 2005, the College had a total of 466 fellows.

4.2 The total membership of 466 comprises:

Local Fellows	455
Overseas Fellows	11

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

Cardiologists	74
Dermatologists	48
Endocrinologists	37
Gastroenterologists	42
General Physicians	42
Geriatricians	27
Haematologists	19
Infectious Diseases Physicians	11
Medical Oncologists	21
Neurologists	34
Rehabilitation Medicine	14
Renal Physicians	27
Respiratory Physicians	46
Rheumatologists	24

5. 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 2005-2007 Council had met five times.

6. 2ND ANNUAL SCIENTIFIC MEETING

The College had its 2nd Annual Scientific Meeting in conjunction with the 39th Singapore-Malaysia Congress of Medicine from 1-3 July 2005 at the Grand Hyatt Singapore. The theme of the Congress was "Celebrating 100 Years of Medical Education". The programme for the College's 2nd Annual Scientific Meeting was as follows:

Friday, 1 July 2005

Symposium 1: Trends in Cancer Management

- New Developments in Cancer Screening
Dr Peter Ang, Department of Medical Oncology, National Cancer Centre
- Emerging Small Molecule Targeted Agents in Current and Future Cancer Treatment
Dr Goh Boon Cher, Department of Hematology-Oncology, National University Hospital
- Molecular & Immunologic Therapies
Dr Toh Han Chong, Department of Medical Oncology, National Cancer Centre
- Prognostic Determinants of Haematological Malignancies
Dr Benjamin Mow, Department of Hematology-Oncology, National University Hospital

- Community-based Cancer Care
Dr Koo Wen Hsin, Department of Medical Oncology, National Cancer Centre

Symposium 2: Immunologically-Based Therapies In Human Disease

- Immunologically-based Therapies in Allergic Disorders
Assoc Professor Chng Hiok Hee, Department of Rheumatology, Allergy & Immunology, Tan Tock Seng Hospital
- Immunologically-based Therapeutics in Dermatology
Dr Lawrence Khoo, National Skin Centre
- New Developments in Immunosuppression for Rheumatic Diseases
Professor Dame Carol Black, Royal College of Physicians & Royal Free and University College Medical School, London
- Haematopoietic Stem Cell Transplant for Auto-immune Disorders
Dr Patrick Tan, Haematology and Stem Cell Transplant Centre, Mt Elizabeth Hospital

Free Paper Sessions – a total of 13 papers were received for presentation.

Saturday, 2 July 2005

Symposium 3: Emerging Trends in Infectious Diseases

- Emerging Viral Diseases
Dr Ling Ai Ee, Department of Pathology, Singapore General Hospital
- Vancomycin-resistant Enterococcal Infections
Dr Tan Ban Hock, Department of Internal Medicine, Singapore General Hospital
- Infections Related to Subutex Abuse
Dr Lim Poh Lian, Communicable Diseases Centre, Tan Tock Seng Hospital
- Latest Advances in Anti-Retroviral Treatment
Assoc Professor Leo Yee Sin, Communicable Diseases Centre, Tan Tock Seng Hospital

Symposium 4: Preservation of Function in the Failing Organ

- Emerging Modalities in the Management of Cardiac Failure
Dr Bernard Kwok, Department of Cardiology, National Heart Centre
- Advances in the Treatment of Dementia
Dr Christopher Chen, Department of Neurology, National Neuroscience Institute
- Advances in the Management of Liver Failure
Professor Roger Williams, Institute of Hepatology, University College London, UK

Symposium 5: General Physicians or Hospitalists for Acute Medical Care-Which Model for Singapore?

- Should General Physicians or Sub-Specialists Undertake Acute Medical Care in Public Hospitals?
Professor Chee Yam Cheng, Department of General Medicine, Tan Tock Seng Hospital

- The Hospitalist in Acute Medical Care in the USA
Dr C Anderson Hedberg, American College of Physicians
- The General Physician in Acute Medical Care in the United Kingdom
Dr Ian Starke, Royal College of Physicians (London)

15th Seah Cheng Siang Memorial Lecture

Liver Transplantation: Lessons Learnt and Future Horizons

Professor Roger Williams, Institute of Hepatology, University College London, UK

2nd College of Physicians (Singapore) Lecture

Challenges in Medical Education in the Making of Tomorrow's Doctors

Professor Dame Carol Black, Royal College of Physicians (London)

College Conferment Ceremony

At this 1st College Conferment Ceremony, Dr Chew Chin Hin was conferred Honorary Fellowship, to recognize his contributions to the College of Physicians, the medical community and in the development of Internal Medicine in Singapore. Three Presidents of fraternal Colleges (Dr C Anderson Hedberg, Professor Dato' Mrs S T Kew and Professor Dame Carol Black) received Fellowships from the College, to recognize their contributions in fostering stronger ties between their respective organization and our College.

7. 3RD ANNUAL SCIENTIFIC MEETING

7.1 The 3rd Annual Scientific Meeting is scheduled to be held on 22-23 July 2006. The details will be announced at a later date.

7.2 The 16th Seah Cheng Siang Memorial Lecture titled "Changing Face of Cardiology Practice, Training and Research in Singapore" will be delivered by Professor Chia Boon Lock, Senior Consultant, National University Hospital at the 3rd Annual Scientific Meeting.

7.3 The 3rd College of Physicians (Singapore) Lecture, titled "Translational Research – From Bench to Bedside and From Bedside to Bench", will be delivered by Professor Woo Keng Thye, Emeritus Consultant & Advisor, Singapore General Hospital at the 3rd Annual Scientific Meeting.

8. MAINTENANCE OF CERTIFICATION AND DIALOGUE SESSIONS

The College contributed to the drafting of the Academy's proposal on Maintenance of Certification (MOC). It held two dialogue sessions in March and April with its Fellows to gather feedback on the Academy's proposal. Two additional sessions were held

at Gleneagles Hospital and Mount Elizabeth Hospital in May 2005. Comments received were helpful and were incorporated into the 2nd revision, which was subsequently submitted to SMC-MOC Committee for consideration in September 2005.

9. SEAH CHENG SIANG MEMORIAL FUND AND MEDAL

9.1 The College is now administering the endowment fund for the Seah Cheng Siang Memorial Lecture.

9.2 The Academy will continue to administer the Seah Cheng Siang Memorial Research/Traveling Fellowship Fund for a period of 3 years, from 2005 to 2008. The Fund Management Committee of the Academy will ensure the growth and productive use of the Fund. If the objectives could not be met, the management of the Fund would then be entrusted to the College.

9.3 The Seah Cheng Siang Memorial Medal was established from the Seah Cheng Siang Memorial Fund. The Gold Medal is awarded annually to the top candidate in the M Med (Internal Medicine) Examination. No award was made for 2005.

10. 1ST STRATEGIC PLANNING SESSION AND FUTURE DIRECTIONS

10.1 After having settled a number of operational issues arising from the transformation of the Chapter of Physicians to the current College in August 2004, the College held its 1st Strategic Planning Session on 17 September 2005 at the Board Room, Singapore General Hospital. The purpose of the session was to help the Council draw the road map for the College for the next three years.

10.2 After reviewing the strength, weaknesses, opportunities and threats of the College, the Council, Chapter & STC representatives, and senior Fellows who attended the session reaffirmed the followings:

10.2.1 Vision: "To be the recognized leader in training, education, advocacy, and enhancement of professional satisfaction for internal medicine and its subspecialties"

10.2.2 Mission: "To promote and maintain the highest professional and ethical standards in internal medicine and its subspecialties"

10.2.3 Core Values: E-IMPACT.

- Excellence
- Integrity
- Mutual Respect
- Professionalism
- Adaptability
- Commitment
- Teamwork

10.2.4 The group identified and brainstormed around the following six strategic priorities:

- i. Provide and strengthen Continuing Professional Development (CPD) programme
- ii. Augment postgraduate training and specialist certification
- iii. Promote practice of and sustain interest in general internal medicine
- iv. Improve college standing nationally and internationally
- v. Attract and maintain membership
- vi. Increase college revenue and build financial reserve

10.3 Based on these six strategic priorities, the following 6 main committees will be set up at College level in 2006 to implement the College's strategic plans. These Committees will augment each other. In addition, they will receive support from Standing Committees of the College and relevant Chapter's Committees, especially in areas of CPD for Fellows and training of specialists in Singapore.

- i) Continuing Professional Development (CPD) Committee
- ii) Postgraduate Training & Certification (PTC) Committee
- iii) General Medicine Committee
- iv) National and International Relations (NIR) Committee
- v) Membership Committee
- vi) Finance Committee

11. ANNUAL MEETINGS OF THE OVERSEAS COLLEGES

11.1 CPS was recognized by the American College of Physicians (ACP) as the professional body for Physicians in Singapore. Dr Lim SH was invited as President of CPS to attend the Annual Session from 14 to 16 April 2005. He was conferred Honorary Fellowship of the ACP at the Convocation Ceremony.

11.2 CPS has been invited by the American College of Physicians (ACP) to attend the Annual Session from 6 to 8 April 2006. Dr Vernon Oh will represent CPS to attend the Annual Session in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

11.3 CPS has been invited by The Royal Australasian College of Physicians (RACP) to attend the 2006 RACP Congress from 7 to 10 May 2006. Dr Lim Shih Hui will represent CPS to attend the Congress in Cairns, Queensland.

12. DISTANCE LEARNING PROGRAMME (DLP)

The Distance Learning Programme (DLP) was officially launched on 1 November 2005. The DLP allows Fellows to the flexibility to attempt Continuing Medical Education (CME) modules online and to learn and update their medical knowledge at their own pace and most convenient time while at the same time gain CME points.

CPS had submitted the following five modules for the DLP:

- i. The Role of Capsular Distention in Adhesive Capsulitis
- ii. Guidelines for the Management of Pemphigus Vulgaris
- iii. Radionuclide Therapy of Hepatocellular Carcinoma
- iv. Development of Autoantibodies before the Clinical Onset of Systemic Lupus Erythematosus
- v. Hydralazine for Treatment of Severe Hypertension in Pregnancy: Meta-Analysis

Fellows who wish to access the DLP may do so through the member login secured area via the Academy's website www.ams.edu.sg using their MCR/DCR number and password.

13. A TALK ON PACES EXAMINATION

As part of the effort to augment postgraduate training, the College organized a talk entitled "The PACES Examination: What UK Examiners Expect from Candidates?" on 3 December 2005 at the Lecture Hall, National Cancer Centre. The talk was given by Professor Jane E Dacre, Academic Vice-President, Royal College of Physicians (London). There were about 60 attendees, majority were medical officers taking or planning to take the PACES Examination, as well as trainers.

14. APPRECIATION

The College wishes to record its appreciation to all our Fellows and Secretariat staff of the College and Academy for their support and efforts rendered in the past year, and for ongoing projects.

31 December 2005
Dr Julian Thumboo
Honorary Secretary
on behalf of the 2005-2006 Council



Prof Dame Carol Black (left), 2nd College of Physicians (Singapore) Lecturer, receiving a token of appreciation from Dr Lim Shih Hui, President.



Prof Roger Williams (left), 15th Seah Cheng Siang Memorial Lecturer, receiving a token of appreciation from Dr Lim Shih Hui, President.



From left to right: Prof Lawrence Wong, Chapter of Neurologists Lecturer, with Senior Minister of State for Health, Dr Balaji Sadasivan, President of College of Physicians, Dr Lim Shih Hui, and Chairman of Chapter of Neurologists, Dr Christopher Chen.



Dr Chew Chin Hin (right) receiving Honorary Fellowship of the College of Physicians, Singapore from Dr Lim Shih Hui, President.



Standing (Left to Right)

Dr Toh Han Chong, Dr Alan Ng WK, Dr Wong Kok Seng, Dr Vernon Oh MS, Dr Khoo Kei Siong, Dr Richard Guan, Dr Cynthia Goh, Dr Wong Sin Yew, Dr Christopher Chen, Dr Leong Keng Hong, Dr Sum Chee Fang, Dr Philip Choo WJ

Seated (Left to Right)

Prof Roger Williams, Dr C Rajasoorya, Dr Terrance Chua SJ, Dr Julian Thumboo, Prof Chee Yam Cheng, Dr Chew Chin Hin, Dr Lim Shih Hui, Dr Low Cheng Hock, Dr Quak Seng Hock, Prof Dame Carol Black, Prof Dato' Mrs S T Kew, Dr C Anderson Hedberg, Dr Jill Sewell, Dr Ng Keng Yeen, Dr Chan Kin Ming

Chapter of Cardiologists

1. 1ST ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The 1st Annual General Meeting of the Chapter of Cardiologists was held on Monday, 15 August 2005 at the Lecture Theatre, National Heart Centre, 17 Hospital Ave, Mistri Wing, Singapore 168752.

2. THE CHAPTER SPECIALTY BOARD

The following Chapter Specialty Board Members officially took office for a term of two years, commencing from the 1st Annual General Meeting:

Chairman:	Dr Ho Kheng Thye
Vice-Chairman:	Dr K Gunasegaran
Honorary Secretary:	Dr Susan Quek Swee San
Board Members:	Dr Lim Yean Teng
	Dr Ng Kheng Siang

Dr Koh Tian Hai, President, Singapore Cardiac Society was also invited to sit on the Board.

3. MEMBERSHIP

As of 31 December 2005, the Chapter had a total of 74 fellows.

4. SPECIALTY BOARD MEETING

The Chapter Specialty Board met once to conduct the business and affairs of the Chapter for the year 2005.

5. DIALOGUE SESSIONS

The Chapter held two Dialogue Sessions with the Fellows to obtain comments and feedback with regard to the guidelines on the use of Cardiac CT Imaging.

6. JOINT COMMITTEE ON CARDIAC CT GUIDELINES

6.1 The Chapter of Cardiologists and the College of Radiologists collaborated by forming a joint committee to facilitate standardization in the usage of Cardiac CT and management of patients in Singapore. The committee consists of five representatives each from the Chapter of Cardiologists and the College of Radiologists, from both the private sector and public institutions. The guidelines will be published jointly by the College of Physicians, College of Radiologists and Academy of Medicine and the document will bear the insignia of all three organizations.

7. CONTINUING MEDICAL EDUCATION (CME)

7.1 The Chapter was a nominal sponsor for the following:

22 October 2005

Future Forum Singapore: Scaling New Heights in Cardiovascular Risk Reduction

Organized by Singapore Cardiac Society

December 2005

Dr Susan Quek

Honorary Secretary

2005-2006 Chapter of Cardiologists

Chapter of Dermatologists

1. 1ST ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The 1st Annual General Meeting of the Chapter of Dermatologists was held on Friday, 8 July 2005 at the Auditorium, National Skin Centre, 1 Mandalay Road, Singapore 308205.

2. THE CHAPTER SPECIALTY BOARD

The following Chapter Specialty Board Members officially took office for a term of two years, commencing from the 1st Annual General Meeting:

Chairman:	Dr Roy Chan K W
Vice-Chairman:	Dr Tay Yong Kwang
Honorary Secretary:	Dr Ang Por
Board Members:	Dr T Thirumoorthy Dr Giam Yoke Chin Dr Cheong Wai Kwong
Co-opted Member:	Dr Goh Chee Leok

3. MEMBERSHIP

As of 31 December 2005, the Chapter had a total of 48 fellows.

4. SPECIALTY BOARD MEETING

The Chapter Specialty Board met on Thursday, 9 June 2005 to conduct the business and affairs of the Chapter for the year 2005.

5. CONTINUING MEDICAL EDUCATION (CME)

5.1 The Chapter co-organised the following CME lectures with the Dermatological Society of Singapore:

20 January 2005 (Tuesday)

Photodynamic Therapy (PDT) – Its Use in Clinical Practice

Dr Colin Theng
Associate Consultant, National Skin Centre

23 June 2005 (Thursday)

HIV Dermatology & Management of Lipodystrophy

Dr Priya Sen
Associate Consultant, National Skin Centre

5.2 The Chapter co-organised the following CME lectures with National Skin Centre (NSC):

19 March 2005 (Saturday)

Seminar on Cutaneous T – Cell Lymphoma (CTCL):

Lecture 1: General Considerations and Mycosis Fungoides

Lecture 2: Variants of Mycosis Fungoides

Lecture 3: Lymphomatoid Papulosis, Anaplastic Large Cell Lymphoma, Subcutaneous Panniculitic T-Cell Lymphoma and Related Lymphomas

Prof Phillip Henry McKee
Immediate past Director of Dermatopathology, Department of Pathology of the Brigham and Women's Hospital

1 December 2005 (Thursday)

New Therapies in Cutaneous Lymphomas

Prof Rein Willemze
Chairman, Department of Dermatology, Leiden University Medical Centre, The Netherlands

5.3 In collaboration with the Chapter, NSC will be organising the Dermatology Update 2006 as part of the core programme for Continuing Professional Development and Maintenance of Certification (CPD-MOC) for dermatologists:

25 February 2006 (Saturday)

Symposium On Paediatric Dermatology:

- **The Role Of Foods In Childhood Atopic Dermatitis**

Prof Hugo van Bever
Professor in Paediatrics (Paediatric Allergy & Immunology) & Head of the Children's Allergy Clinic at Department of Paediatrics, National University Hospital – National University of Singapore

- **Genodermatoses – A New Look**

A/Prof Giam Yoke Chin
Senior Consultant, NSC

- **Haemangiomas – What's New And How To Manage Them**

Dr Chan Yui Chew
Consultant, NSC

Symposium On Immunodermatology:

- **Chronic Cutaneous LE - Subsets & Therapy**

Dr Chua Sze Hon
Senior Consultant, NSC

- **IVIG And Newer Immunosuppressive Agents**

Dr Mark Tang
Associate Consultant, NSC

- **Desmoglein ELISA – A Useful Tool In Pemphigus**

Dr Patricia Ng
Consultant, NSC

Lunchtime Symposium On Melasma**NSC Lecture:****The Keratin Cytoskeleton And Skin Fragility Disorders**

Prof Ellen Birgitte Lane,
Centre for Molecular Medicine

Free Paper Sessions:

Paper 1 to 4
Case Report 1 to 4

Symposium On Eczema / Dermatitis:

- **Immunology of Contact Dermatitis**
Dr Ng See Ket
Senior Consultant, NSC
- **An Update On Contact Allergens**
Dr Anthony Goon
Consultant, NSC
- **Whats New In Occupational Dermatoses**
Dr Leow Yung Hian
Senior Consultant, NSC
- **Itch - Update on Mechanisms and Therapy**
Prof Malcolm Greaves
Senior Consultant, NSC

26 February 2006 (Sunday)

Symposium On Psoriasis/Phototherapy/Vitiligo:

- **Update On Biologics In Psoriasis**
Dr Wong Su-Ni
Consultant, NSC
- **Update On Phototherapy For Dermatological Conditions**
Dr Colin Theng
Associate Consultant, NSC
- **Update On Vitiligo**
Dr Prasad Kumarasinghe
Senior Consultant, NSC

Symposium On Cutaneous Infections:

- **Killer Rashes - Skin Signs Of 5 Deadly Infections**
Dr Tan Hiok Hee
Consultant, NSC
- **Mycology - Update For 2006**
Dr Seow Chew Swee
Senior Consultant, NSC
- **Update On Anti-Retroviral Therapy**
A/Prof Roy Chan
Director, NSC

Clinicopathologic Challenge:

- **Case 1 to 5**
Dr Joyce Lee
Associate Consultant, NSC
- **Case 6 to 10**
A/Prof Giam Yoke Chin
Senior Consultant, NSC
- **Case 11 to 15**
Dr Tan Suat Hoon
Deputy Director, NSC

Symposium On Sexually Transmitted Infections:

- **Syphilis - A Practical Update**
Dr Tan Hiok Hee
Consultant, NSC
- **STIs In Women**
Dr Priya Sen
Associate Consultant, NSC
- **Improving Diagnosis and Management of Genital HSV**
Dr Simon E Barton
Consultant & Clinical Director in Genitourinary and HIV Medicine, Chelsea and Westminster Hospital, UK and Chair of the Clinical Audit for the Chelsea and Westminster Hospital Trust

Symposium On Dermatologic Surgery:

- **Fillers - Spoilt For Choice**
Dr Priya Sen
Associate Consultant, NSC
- **Botulinum Toxin A - Beyond Removing Wrinkles**
Dr Wong Su-Ni
Consultant, NSC
- **Skin Tightening Devices - Facelift Without Surgery**
Dr Chua Sze Hon
Senior Consultant, NSC
- **Lasers & Light Devices For Skin Rejuvenation - An Update**
Prof Goh Chee Leok
Senior Consultant, NSC

6. INAUGURAL CHAPTER OF DERMATOLOGISTS LECTURE

The Chapter held its Inaugural Chapter of Dermatologists Lecture entitled "Current Concepts in the Pathogenesis of Inflammatory Skin Diseases" delivered by Prof Sakari Reitamo, Acting Professor and Chairman, Department of Dermatology, Helsinki University Central Hospital, Finland on Friday, 8 July 2005, after its 1st Annual General Meeting.

7. POSITION STATEMENT ON NON-PHYSICIANS USE OF LASERS

The Chapter launched its first position statement "Non-Physicians Use of Lasers and Related Technology in Dermatology" on 21 June 2005. The statement had been circulated to all Fellows and posted on the website.

December 2005
Dr Ang Por
Honorary Secretary
2005-2006 Chapter of Dermatologists

Chapter of Endocrinologists

1. 1ST ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The 1st Annual General Meeting of the Chapter of Endocrinologists was held on Thursday, 11 August 2005 at Board Room, Alexandra Hospital, 378 Alexandra Road, Singapore 159964.

2. THE CHAPTER SPECIALTY BOARD

The following Chapter Specialty Board Members officially took office for a term of two years, commencing from the 1st Annual General Meeting:

Chairman:	Dr C Rajasoorya
Vice-Chairman:	Dr Yeoh Swee Inn
Honorary Secretary:	Dr Lee Chung Horn
Board Members:	Dr Daphne Khoo Dr Lee Kok Onn
Co-opted Members:	Dr Michelle Jong Dr Lim Heok Seng

3. MEMBERSHIP

As of 31 December 2005, the Chapter had a total of 37 fellows.

December 2005
Dr Lee Chung Horn
Honorary Secretary
2005-2006 Chapter of Endocrinologists

Chapter of Gastroenterologists

1. 1ST ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The 1st Annual General Meeting of the Chapter of Gastroenterologists was held on Wednesday, 27 July 2005 at Medical Centre Block, Level 5B, Tan Tock Seng Hospital, 11 Jalan Tan Tock Seng, Singapore 308433.

2. THE CHAPTER SPECIALTY BOARD

The following Chapter Specialty Board Members officially took office for a term of two years, commencing from the 1st Annual General Meeting:

Chairman:	Dr Richard Guan
Vice-Chairman:	Dr Lim Chee Chian
Honorary Secretary:	Dr Widjaja Luman
Board Members:	Dr Fock Kwong Ming Dr Ho Khek Yu Dr Tan Chi Chiu Dr Teo Eng Kiong

3. MEMBERSHIP

As of 31 December 2005, the Chapter had a total of 42 fellows.

4. SPECIALTY BOARD MEETING

The Chapter Specialty Board met twice to conduct the business and affairs of the Chapter for the year 2005.

5. MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

To optimize national resources and to foster a friendly relationship through mutual cooperation between the Chapter of Gastroenterologists and The Gastroenterological Society of Singapore, the Presidents of the Chapter of Gastroenterologists and The Gastroenterological Society of Singapore, Dr Richard Guan and A/Prof Ho Khek Yu signed the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) on 26 October 2005.

6. CONTINUING MEDICAL EDUCATION (CME)

6.1 The Chapter co-organized the following events with The Gastroenterological Society of Singapore:

7 January 2005

The Endoscopic Management of GERD - How Close Are We?

Professor Jacques Deviere
Head, Department of Gastroenterology & Hepato-Pancreatology, Erasme University Hospital, Brussels, Belgium

10 January 2005

Advances in the Endoscopic Management of Pancreatic Disease

Professor Jacques Deviere
Head, Department of Gastroenterology & Hepato-Pancreatology, Erasme University Hospital, Brussels, Belgium

22 October 2005

Symposium on Acute Liver Failure

- Management of Acute Liver Failure

Dr Teo Eng Kiong
Head & Senior Consultant, Division of Gastroenterology, Changi General Hospital

- The Role of Molecular Absorbent Recirculating System (MARS) in Acute Liver Failure

Dr Liu Hock Foong
Senior Consultant, Department of Gastroenterology, Singapore General Hospital

15 November 2005

Biliary Stents – The State of the Art

Dr Todd Baron
Mayo Clinic, USA

22 November 2005

GERD, Barrett's Oesophagus, and Helicobacter Pylori

Professor John Atherton
Head of Wolfson Digestive Diseases Centre, University of Nottingham, United Kingdom

26 November 2005

Symposium on Endoscopic Ultrasound

A/Prof Lawrence Ho
Head, Department of Medicine, National University Hospital
 Dr Chua Tju Siang
Consultant, Division of Gastroenterology, Changi General Hospital

7. ASSESSORS FOR SITE ASSESSMENT OF TECHNICAL SKILLS FOR GASTROENTEROLOGY ADVANCED SPECIALIST TRAINEES

The Chapter of Gastroenterologists nominated some of its fellows to be the assessors for site assessment of technical skills to the Gastroenterology Specialist Training Committee (STC).

8. COMMITTEE ON REVIEW OF TABLE OF SURGICAL PROCEDURE

Dr Richard Guan represented the specialty of Gastroenterology in the Committee on Review of Table of Surgical Procedures by the Ministry of Health.

December 2005

Dr Widjaja Luman
 Honorary Secretary
 2005-2006 Chapter of Gastroenterologists

Chapter of General Physicians

1. 1ST ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The 1st Annual General Meeting of the Chapter of General Physicians was held on Saturday, 23 July 2005 at Lee Kong Chian Room, Basement, Academy of Medicine, Singapore, Runme Shaw Building, 142 Neil Road, Singapore 088871.

2. THE CHAPTER SPECIALTY BOARD

The following Chapter Specialty Board Members officially took office for a term of two years, commencing from the 1st Annual General Meeting:

Chairman:	Dr Vernon Oh M S
Vice-Chairman:	Dr Tay Jam Chin
Honorary Secretary:	Dr Cynthia Goh
Board Members:	Dr Noreen Chan
	Dr Cheong Pak Yean
	Dr Ronan Philip Kelly
	Dr Tan Hooi Hwa

3. MEMBERSHIP

As of 31 December 2005, the Chapter had a total of 42 fellows.

4. CME ACTIVITIES

Dr Vernon Oh, Chairman of the Chapter contributed in organizing a symposium entitled "General Physicians or Hospitalists for Acute Medical Care-Which Model for Singapore?" held in the College of Physicians' 2nd Annual Scientific Meeting in conjunction with the 39th Singapore-Malaysia Congress of Medicine on 2 July 2005.

Dr Vernon Oh also chaired the Symposium which was delivered by the following speakers:

- Should General Physicians or Sub-Specialists Undertake Acute Medical Care in Public Hospitals?
Professor Chee Yam Cheng
Senior Physician, Department of General Medicine, Tan Tock Seng Hospital, Assistant CEO (Clinical), NHG
- The Hospitalist in Acute Medical Care in the USA
Dr C Anderson Hedberg
President, American College of Physicians
- The General Physician in Acute Medical Care in the United Kingdom
Dr Ian Starke
Chief of Continuing Professional Development, Royal College of Physicians (London)

5. CHAPTER'S PARTICIPATION IN COMBINED ANNUAL SCIENTIFIC MEETING (CSM05) OF THE NATIONAL HEALTHCARE GROUP & SINGHEALTH

Dr Vernon Oh, as both Chairman of the Chapter and Senior Consultant in Department of Medicine, National University Hospital (NUH), contributed in the scientific program committee organizing a special symposium, entitled "Shaping Doctors and Institutions for Optimum Contribution to the Biomedical Science Initiative", on 4 November 2005 in the Combined Annual Scientific Meeting (CSM05) of the National Healthcare Group and SingHealth. The symposium had Dr Soo Kee Chee (National Cancer Centre) and Dr Ho Khek Yu (Department of Gastroenterology, NUH) expounding their views on why younger physicians are strongly challenged to make significant human research contributions to developing biomedicine in Singapore. Audience participation was unexpectedly large and lively.

Dr Vernon Oh also acted as panel judge for Best Clinical Science poster award, in CSM05.

December 2005

Dr Cynthia Goh

Honorary Secretary

2005-2006 Chapter of General Physicians

Chapter of Geriatricians

1. 1ST ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The 1st Annual General Meeting of the Chapter of Geriatricians was held on Tuesday, 26 July 2005 at Multi Purpose Hall, Geriatric Centre, Alexandra Hospital, 378 Alexandra Road, Singapore 159964.

2. THE CHAPTER SPECIALTY BOARD

The following Chapter Specialty Board Members officially took office for a term of two years, commencing from the 1st Annual General Meeting:

Chairman:	Dr Philip Choo W J
Vice-Chairman:	Dr Pang Weng Sun
Honorary Secretary:	Dr Tan Thai Lian
Board Members:	Dr Ding Yew Yoong
	Dr James Low
	Dr Ee Chye Hua
	Dr Christopher Lien

3. MEMBERSHIP

As of 31 December 2005, the Chapter had a total of 27 fellows.

December 2005
Dr Tan Thai Lian
Honorary Secretary
2005-2006 Chapter of Geriatricians

Chapter of Haematologists

1. 1ST ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The 1st Annual General Meeting of the Chapter of Haematologists was held on Wednesday, 3 August 2005 at Room ACR, level 2, Mount Elizabeth Medical Centre, 3 Mount Elizabeth, Singapore 228510.

2. THE CHAPTER SPECIALTY BOARD

The following Chapter Specialty Board Members officially took office for a term of two years, commencing from the 1st Annual General Meeting:

Chairman:	Dr Patrick Tan H C
Vice-Chairman:	Dr Tien Sim Leng
Honorary Secretary:	Dr Mickey Koh
Board Members:	Dr Koh Liang Piu
	Dr Ting Weng Chang
Co-opted Member:	Dr Ponnudurai Kuperan

3. MEMBERSHIP

As of 31 December 2005, the Chapter had a total of 19 fellows.

December 2005
Dr Mickey Koh
Honorary Secretary
2005-2006 Chapter of Haematologists

Chapter of Infectious Disease Physicians

1. 1ST ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The 1st Annual General Meeting of the Chapter of Infectious Disease Physicians was held on Friday, 22 July 2005 at the IS Board Room, Gleneagles Hospital, 6A Napier Road, Singapore 258500.

2. THE CHAPTER SPECIALTY BOARD

The following Chapter Specialty Board Members officially took office for a term of two years, commencing from the 1st Annual General Meeting:

Chairman:	Dr Wong Sin Yew
Vice-Chairman:	Dr Paul Tambyah
Honorary Secretary:	Dr Lee Cheng Chuan
Board Members:	Dr Lam Mun San Dr Lim Poh Lian Dr Helen Oh
Co-opted Member:	Dr Asok Kurup

3. MEMBERSHIP

As of 31 December 2005, the Chapter had a total of 11 fellows.

4. SPECIALTY BOARD MEETING

The Chapter Specialty Board met twice to conduct the business and affairs of the Chapter for the year 2005.

5. CONTINUING MEDICAL EDUCATION (CME)

5.1 The Chapter co-organised the following CME lectures with the Society of Infectious Disease (Singapore):

26 February 2005

Anti-Fungal Guidelines for Candidemia: A Local Perspective and Recommendation

7 July 2005

Prevalence and Clinical Impact of MRSA – A Singapore Experience

Dr Hsu Li Yang
Singapore General Hospital

Effective Management and Practical Approaches to MRSA Infection Control

Dr Mark Harvey Wilcox
Leeds Teaching Hospitals NHS Trust & University of Leeds

5.2 The Chapter organised the following CME lectures:

2 July 2005

(At the 2nd Annual Scientific Meeting of College of Physicians, in conjunction with 39th Singapore-Malaysia Congress of Medicine)

Symposium: Emerging Trends in Infectious Diseases

1. Emerging Viral Diseases

Dr Ling Ai Ee
Department of Pathology, Singapore General Hospital

2. Vancomycin-Resistant Enterococcal Infections

Dr Tan Ban Hock
Department of Internal Medicine, Singapore General Hospital

3. Infectious Related to Subutex Abuse

Dr Lim Poh Lian
Communicable Diseases Centre, Tan Tock Seng Hospital

4. Latest Advances in Anti-Retroviral Treatment

Dr Leo Yee Sin
Communicable Diseases Centre, Tan Tock Seng Hospital

22 July 2005

Medico-Legal Symposium

1. Practice of Infectious Diseases-Potential Medico-Legal Problems

Dr Wong Sin Yew
Gleneagles Medical Centre

2. Medical Documentation – How to Avoid Pitfalls and Improve Your Practice

Mr Lek Siang Pheng
Rodyk & Davidson Advocates & Solicitors

3. Infectious Diseases: Medical Reports and Expert Opinions

Dr Tan Ban Hock
Department of Internal Medicine, Singapore General Hospital

4. Providing Expert Opinions and Court Testimony

Ms Kuah Boon Theng
Legal Clinic LLC

6. MOH CLINICAL PRACTICE GUIDELINES

The members of the Chapter participated in the review of the content of the "Use of Antibiotics for Adults – MOH Clinical Practice Guidelines" in June-July 2005. This was a voluntary participation from the Chapter. The Chapter would be acknowledged for reviewing the guidelines.

7. FUTURE ACTIVITIES IN 2006

The Chapter will be co-organising the following CME lectures with the Society of Infectious Disease (Singapore):

14 January 2006

Symposium on Outpatient Parental Antibiotics (OPAT)

June/July 2006

Symposium on Adult Vaccinations

2007

International Symposium on Antimicrobial Agents and Resistance (ISAAR) 2007

December 2005

Dr Lee Cheng Chuan

Honorary Secretary

2005-2006 Chapter of Infectious Disease Physicians

Chapter of Medical Oncologists

1. 1ST ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The 1st Annual General Meeting of the Chapter of Medical Oncologists was held on Saturday, 27 August 2005 at The Gallery, Trader's Hotel, 1A Cuscaden Road, Singapore 249716.

2. THE CHAPTER SPECIALTY BOARD

The following Chapter Specialty Board Members officially took office for a term of two years, commencing from the 1st Annual General Meeting:

Chairman:	Dr Toh Han Chong
Vice-Chairman:	Dr Lim Hong Liang
Honorary Secretary:	Dr See Hui Ti
Board Members:	Dr Tan Yew Oo Dr Wong Zee Wan
Co-opted Members:	Dr Joanna Lin

3. MEMBERSHIP

As of 31 December 2005, the Chapter had a total of 21 fellows.

4. PROPOSED FUTURE PROJECTS

The Chapter proposed the following projects:

- 4.1 Restricting use of cytotoxic chemotherapy and targeted therapy to train oncologists, including neuro and gynae oncologists who have received their recognized training.
- 4.2 Engaging Ministry of Health to discuss the issue of rising cost of anti-cancer therapy and how to address the problem especially in the public sector.
- 4.3 Conducting an Oncology course for both local and regional doctors.

December 2005

Dr See Hui Ti

Honorary Secretary

2005-2006 Chapter of Medical Oncologists

Chapter of Neurologists

1. 1ST ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The 1st Annual General Meeting of the Chapter of Neurologists was held on Saturday, 30 July 2005 at Connections 3 & 4, Level 3, Amara Hotel.

2. THE CHAPTER SPECIALTY BOARD

The following Chapter Specialty Board Members officially took office for a term of two years, commencing from the 1st Annual General Meeting:

Chairman:	Dr Christopher Chen L H
Vice-Chairman:	Dr Adrian Tan
Honorary Secretary:	Dr Andrew Pan
Board Members:	Dr Louis Tan
	Dr Einar Wilder-Smith
Co-opted Members:	Dr Chang Hui Meng
	Dr Lim Shih Hui
	Dr N V Ramani

3. MEMBERSHIP

As of 31 December 2005, the Chapter had a total of 34 fellows.

4. CONTINUING MEDICAL EDUCATION (CME)

4.1 The Chapter co-organized the following events with the Singapore Epilepsy Society:

15 June 2005

Pharmacoeconomic, Long Term Efficacy & Safety of New Anti-Epileptic Drugs

Professor Rodney A Radtke

Professor of Medicine, Duke University Medical Centre

4.2 The Chapter was a nominal sponsor for the following event organized by the Clinical Trials & Epidemiology Research Unit:

10 September 2005 (Day 1)

1st Asia-Pacific Stroke Workshop

Bio-medical Development in Singapore & Asia

Professor Edison Liu

Executive Director, Genome Institute of Singapore

Symposium 1: Epidemiology & Biomarkers

- The Epidemiology and Burden of Stroke in Asia

Dr NV Ramani

Senior Consultant, National Neuroscience Institute

- Biomarkers for Vascular Disease

Dr Tai E Shyong

Clinician Scientist, Metabolic Endocrinology, SingHealth

- Bio-Imaging for Vascular Disease

Dr Xavier Golay

National Neuroscience Institute

- Genetics of Stroke

Dr Liu Jian Jun

Senior Research Scientist, Genome Institute of Singapore

Symposium 2: Therapies for Stroke

- Thrombolysis

Professor Minematsu Kazou

National Cardiovascular Centre, Japan

- Interventional Therapies

Dr Mathew Liu

Queen Mary Hospital, Hong Kong

- Neuroprotection

Professor Hsu Chung Y

Professor, Taiwan, National University

- Haemorrhage

Dr Ivan Ng

Consultant, National Neuroscience Institute

- Stem Cells

Professor Yoon Byung Woo

Professor, Seoul National, University Hospital

Symposium 3: Prevention of Recurrent Vascular Events and Other Complications of Stroke

- Post-Stroke Emotional Disturbances

Professor JS Kim

Professor, University of Ulsan, Asan Medical Centre, Seoul, Korea

- Post-Stroke Cognitive Impairment

Dr Christopher Chen

Senior Consultant, Singapore General Hospital

- Intracranial Stenosis

Professor S U Kwon

Professor, University of Ulsan, Asan Medical Centre, Seoul, Korea

- Anti-Hypertensives

Professor Craig Anderson

Director, George Institute for International Health, Australia

- Anti-Thrombotics

Professor Geoff Donnan

University of Melbourne

11 September 2005 (Day 2)

Clinical Trials in Asia

Professor Jean-Paul Deslypere

Director, Clinical Trials & Epidemiology Research

Strategies to Reduce the Stroke Epidemic

Professor Huang Yi Ning

Chairman of Department of Neurology, Peking University First Hospital

Professor Subhash Kaul
*Head of Neurology, Nizam's Institute of Medical Sciences,
 Hyderabad, India*

Professor Nipon Pongvarin
Siriraj Hospital, Bangkok, Thailand.

Workshop 1: What are the Important Research Issues for Stroke in Asia

Workshop 2: What Clinical Trials are Important for Stroke in Asia

Workshop 3: What Neuroscience Research is Important for Stroke in Asia

- 4.3 The Chapter was also a nominal sponsor for the following symposium organized by the National Neuroscience Institute:

9 September 2005 (Day 1)

3rd Singapore International Parkinson's Disease & Movement Disorders Symposium

Genetics and Pathophysiology of Parkinson's Disease - Genetics of Parkinson's Disease

A/Prof Matthew Farrer
Mayo Clinic, Florida, USA

- **Genetics Association Studies in Parkinson's Disease**

Dr Liu Jian-Jun
Genome Institute of Singapore

- **Neurobiology of Parkinson**

Dr Lim Kah Leong
National Neuroscience Institute

- **Use of Stem Cells in Parkinson's Disease: A Reality Soon?**

Dr Gerald Udolph
Centre for Molecular Medicine

Imaging and Treatment of Movement Disorders

- **Evidenced Based Approach in Treatment of Parkinson's Disease**

Prof Olivier Rascol
Toulouse University Hospital Toulouse, France

- **Sleep Problems in Parkinson's Disease**

Dr Lim Li Ling
National Neuroscience Institute

- **PET Imaging in Movement Disorders**

Dr Au Wing Lok
National Neuroscience Institute

- **Diffusion Imaging in Parkinsonian Disorders**

Dr Chan Ling Ling
Singapore General Hospital

Movement Disorders

- **Advances in Familial Ataxias: Implication for the Clinician**

Dr Wu Yih-Ru
Chang Gung Memorial Hospital

- **Young Onset Movement Disorders**

Dr Stacey Tay
National University of Singapore

- **Clinical Approach to Dystonia**

Dr Apichart Pisampong
Siriraj Hospital, Bangkok, Thailand

- **Continuous Dopaminergic Stimulation in Parkinson's Disease**

Prof Olivier Rascol
Toulouse University Hospital, Toulouse, France

- **Dementia in Parkinson's Disease**

A/Prof Christopher Chen
National Neuroscience Institute

10 September 2005 (Day 2)

Workshops

- **Workshop 1: Use of Botulinum Toxin A (Dysport) for the Management of Spasticity**

Dr Kong Keng He
Tan Tock Seng Hospital

- **Workshop 2: Evaluation and Management of Dementia**

Mr Christopher Gabriel
Singapore General Hospital

- **Workshop 3: Caring for the Parkinson's Disease Patient - A Nursing Perspective**

SN Lau Puay Ngoh
*National Neuroscience Institute and SN Jennie Lee,
 National Neuroscience Institute*

- **Workshop 4: Use of Botulinum Toxin (Botox) for Neurological Disorders**

Dr Charles Siow
*National Neuroscience Institute, and Dr Erle Lim,
 National University of Singapore*

- **Workshop 5: Management Issues of Elderly Parkinson's Disease: The Geriatrician's Perspective**

Dr Christopher Lien
Changi General Hospital

- **Workshop 6: Molecular Genetics: Techniques, Analysis & Interpretation**

A/Prof Matthew Farrer
Mayo Clinic, Florida, USA

5. CHAPTER OF NEUROLOGISTS LECTURESHIP

Professor Lawrence Wong, Professor of Chinese Neurology of Hong Kong, delivered the 2nd Chapter of Neurologists Lecture titled "The Vascular Lesions Underlying Stroke in Asia" at the 1st Asia-Pacific Stroke Workshop.

6. PROPOSED BI-MONTHLY SERIES OF UPDATES

The Chapter Specialty Board had proposed to conduct a bi-monthly series of updates for the various specialties:

- Epilepsy and Neuromuscular Diseases
- Dementia/Headache
- Neuro-oncology/CNS Infection
- Neuro-ophthalmology/Neuro-otology
- Sleep/Neuro-intensive Care/Neuro-rehabilitation

December 2005

Dr Andrew Pan

Honorary Secretary

2005-2006 Chapter of Neurologists

Chapter of Rehabilitation Physicians

1. 1ST ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The 1st Annual General Meeting of the Chapter of Rehabilitation Physicians was held on Thursday, 30 June 2005 at Specialists Outpatient Clinic Conference Room, TTSH Rehabilitation Centre, c/o Ang Mo Kio Hospital, 17 Ang Mo Kio Hospital, Singapore 569766.

2. THE CHAPTER SPECIALTY BOARD

The following Chapter Specialty Board Members officially took office for a term of two years, commencing from the 1st Annual General Meeting:

Chairman:	Dr Kong Keng He
Vice-Chairman:	Dr Chan Kay Fei
Honorary Secretary:	Dr Sherry Young
Board Members:	Dr Karen Chua Dr Peter Lim

3. MEMBERSHIP

As of 31 December 2005, the Chapter had a total of 14 fellows.

4. CONTINUING MEDICAL EDUCATION (CME)

- 4.1 The Chapter co-organized the following events with the Rehabilitation Medicine Specialist Training Committee for the advanced specialist trainees (AST):

14 May 2005

DVT Prevention in the Rehabilitation Setting-What are the Evidence

Dr Tjan Soon Yin
Registrar, Department of Rehabilitation Medicine, Tan Tock Seng Hospital

23 July 2005

Gait Analysis

Dr Roy Lee
Senior Consultant, Department of Rehabilitation Medicine, Changi General Hospital

Demonstration: Use of Surface EMG in Gait Analysis

Dr Roslyn McLean
Consultant, Department of Rehabilitation Medicine, Changi General Hospital

24 September 2005

Acute Management and Rehabilitation of Traumatic Spinal Cord Injury

Dr Peter Lim
Head, Department of Rehabilitation Medicine, Singapore General Hospital

Predicting Outcome in Spinal Cord Injury

Dr Heeyoune Jung
Associate Consultant, Department of Rehabilitation Medicine, Singapore General Hospital

26 November 2005

Approach to Chronic: Pain – A Case Approach

Dr Samantha Yap
Registrar, Department of Rehabilitation Medicine, Tan Tock Seng Hospital

December 2005

Dr Sherry Young
Honorary Secretary

2005-2006 Chapter of Rehabilitation Physicians

Chapter of Renal Physicians

1. 1ST ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The 1st Annual General Meeting of the Chapter of Renal Physicians was held on Friday, 29 July 2005 at Room 62-01, Blk 6, Level 2, Singapore General Hospital.

2. THE CHAPTER SPECIALTY BOARD

The following Chapter Specialty Board Members officially took office for a term of two years, commencing from the 1st Annual General Meeting:

Chairman:	Dr Wong Kok Seng
Vice-Chairman:	Dr Evan Lee
Honorary Secretary:	Dr Grace Lee
Board Members:	Dr Anantharaman Vathsala Dr Lina Choong
Co-opted Members:	Dr Gordon Ku Dr Tan Seng Hoe

3. MEMBERSHIP

As of 31 December 2005, the Chapter had a total of 27 fellows.

4. CONTINUING MEDICAL EDUCATION (CME)

The Chapter is a nominal sponsor for the following:

4 March 2006

Diabetic Nephropathy and Implications for Your Patients

December 2005
Dr Grace Lee
Honorary Secretary
2005-2006 Chapter of Renal Physicians

Chapter of Respiratory Physicians

1. 1ST ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The 1st Annual General Meeting of the Chapter of Respiratory Physicians was held on Thursday, 28 July 2005 at Conference Room 2, level 1, Tan Tock Seng Hospital, 11 Jalan Tan Tock Seng, Singapore 308433.

2. THE CHAPTER SPECIALTY BOARD

The following Chapter Specialty Board Members officially took office for a term of two years, commencing from the 1st Annual General Meeting:

Chairman:	Dr Alan Ng
Vice-Chairman:	Dr Loo Chian Min
Honorary Secretary:	Dr Pek Wee Yang
Board Members:	Dr Hui Kok Pheng Dr Khoo Kay Leong
Co-opted Members:	Dr Azman Johan Dr Cheong Tuck Hong

3. MEMBERSHIP

As of 31 December 2005, the Chapter had a total of 46 fellows.

4. SPECIALTY BOARD MEETING

The Chapter Specialty Board met on Thursday, 7 July 2005 to conduct the business and affairs of the Chapter for the year 2005.

December 2005
Dr Pek Wee Yang
Honorary Secretary
2005-2006 Chapter of Respiratory Physicians

Chapter of Rheumatologists

1. 1ST ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The 1st Annual General Meeting of the Chapter of Rheumatologists was held on Wednesday, 27 July 2005 at Lee Kong Chian Room, Academy of Medicine, Singapore, Neil Road, Runme Shaw Building, Singapore 088871.

2. THE CHAPTER SPECIALTY BOARD

The following Chapter Specialty Board Members officially took office for a term of two years, commencing from the 1st Annual General Meeting:

Chairman:	Dr Leong Keng Hong
Vice-Chairman:	Dr Lau Tang Ching
Honorary Secretary:	Dr Bernard Thong
Board Members:	Dr Eugene Lim
	Dr Ng Swee Cheng
Co-opted Members:	Dr Fong Kok Yong
	Dr Sheila Vasoo

3. MEMBERSHIP

As of 31 December 2005, the Chapter had a total of 24 fellows.

4. SPECIALTY BOARD MEETING

The Chapter Specialty Board met twice to conduct the business and affairs of the Chapter for the year 2005.

5. CONTINUING MEDICAL EDUCATION (CME)

5.1 The Chapter organized the following events:

19 January 2005

New Approach to Ankylosing Spondylitis

Prof Muhammad A. Khan

Case Western Reserve University

20 April 2005

Ultrasound for the Rheumatology Clinic

Dr Kong Kok Ooi

Department of Rheumatology, Allergy & Immunology, Tan Tock Seng Hospital

1 June 2005

Evolving Therapies in Sjogren's Syndrome

Dr Robert Fox

Allergy and Rheumatology Clinic, Scripps Memorial Hospital and Research Foundation, La Jolla, California, USA

1 July 2005

Updates on Pain Management: What's After COX-2s?

Dr Warren Katz

President, Arthritis Associates of Philadelphia Medical Professional Services, Clinical Professor of Medicine, University of Pennsylvania School of Medicine Philadelphia, USA

14 October 2005

Measuring Quality in Rheumatologic Care & IgG4-Why It Should Interest Rheumatologists and Nephrologists

Prof Allan Sturgess

Consultant Rheumatologist, St George Hospital, Sydney

Treating Lupus Nephritis – As the Doctors Like It or the Patients Like It

Prof T M Chan

Consultant Nephrologist, Queen Mary Hospital, University of Hong Kong

5.2 The Chapter co-organized the following events with the Singapore Thoracic Society:

10 January 2005

Current Developments in Pulmonary Arterial Hypertension (PAH) Management

- Endothelin: A Key Pathogenic Mediator

Dr J Raghuram

Consultant, Department of Respiratory and Critical Care Medicine, Singapore General Hospital

- ERA: An Evidence Based Approach to PAH Management

Dr Keith McNeil

Associate Professor and Head, Pulmonary Vascular Disease Unit and Transplant Services, The Prince Charles Hospital, Brisbane, Australia

5.3 The Chapter was also a nominal sponsor for the following lecture organized by Singapore Society of Immunology, Allergy and Rheumatology (SSIAR):

16 July 2005

The 6th Feng Pao Hsii Lecture: Treatment of Rheumatoid Arthritis – Continuing Research Agenda

Professor John Edmonds

Director of Department of Rheumatology, St. George Hospital, Sydney

6. CLINICAL PRACTICE GUIDELINES ON OSTEOARTHRITIS OF THE KNEES

The Chapter Board Members together with physiotherapy, orthopaedics, primary care and the Ministry of Health representatives drafted the Chapter of Rheumatologists/Ministry of Health Clinical Practice Guidelines on Osteoarthritis of the Knees.

December 2005

Dr Bernard Thong

Honorary Secretary

2005-2006 Chapter of Rheumatologists

College of Radiologists



Motto: Semper Radium Progredient – Always let Radiology Advance

The Armorial Bearings of the College are:

Arms: Argent, a five-headed Hydra proper gules sergeant, wings inverted and addorsed, armed and langued Azure, on a chief wavy Sable, two Flashes of Lightning in saltire Azure, surmounted by an open Book edge Or bound gules, all proper.

Crest: On a Helm with a Wreath of gules and Argent a Sea-Lion erect guardant proper Or, grasping in its dexter forepaw a Rod Entwined by a Serpent, The Staff of Aesculapius, proper Or.

Explanation of the Crest:

The Red and White colours of the shield, crest and mantling are derived from the Colours of the flag of Singapore. The Hydra, which represents conquest of a very powerful enemy, indicates a determination to overcome any challenge or adversity.

Two bolts of Lightning, which represent electricity, forcefulness and speed, are crossed in the shape of the letter X to refer to X-rays, i.e. Radiology in particular. The Book symbolizes the never-ending quest for knowledge, alluding to the contribution of Radiological knowledge in expeditiously alleviating and treating sickness, which is symbolized by the black colour of the chief.

The Sea-lion holding the staff of the Aesculapius indicates the medical profession of Singapore. The Sea-lion and the wavy chief referring to the close association of Singapore with the sea.

Artwork by: Dr Low Chen Hoong, College of Radiologists, Singapore

2005 - 2006 Council



Standing (Left to Right)

Dr Anthony Goh (Chairman, Chapter of Nuclear Medicine Physicians), Dr Tan Bien Soo (Council Member), Dr Samuel Ng (Chairman, Chapter of Diagnostic Radiologists), Dr Chua Eu Tiong (Chairman, Chapter of Radiation Oncologists), Dr Vijay Kumar Sethi (Council Member)

Seated (Left to Right)

Dr Gregory Kaw (Honorary Secretary), Dr John Hoe (Vice-President), Dr Tan Kim Ping (President), Dr Thomas Chee (Honorary Treasurer)

Absent

Dr Wang Shih-Chang (Council Member)

Annual Report of the Council 2005 – 2006

1. 1st ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The 1st Annual General Meeting of the College of Radiologists was held on Thursday, 2 June 2005 at Conference Room, Block 2 Level 1, Department of Diagnostic Radiologists, Singapore General Hospital, Outram Road, Singapore 169804.

1.1 Office Bearers

The following Council Members were elected to the 2005 – 2006 Council

President:	Dr Tan Kim Ping
Vice- President:	Dr John Hoe
Honorary Secretary:	Dr Gregory Kaw
Treasurer:	Dr Thomas Chee
Council Members:	Dr Tan Bien Soo
	Dr Vijay Kumar Sethi
	Dr Wang Shih-Chang
	Dr Chua Eu Tiong (Chairman, Chapter of Radiation Oncologists)
	Dr Anthony Goh (Chairman, Chapter of Nuclear Medicine Physicians)
	Dr Samuel Ng (Chairman, Chapter of Diagnostic Radiologists)

1.2 Specialty Chapters

In accordance to the Constitution of the College of Radiologists, Singapore, the College Council conducted nomination and election of the 3 Specialty Chapters. The Committee Members of the 3 Chapters of the College (2005 – 2006) are as follows:

Chapter of Diagnostic Radiologists

Chairman:	Dr Samuel Ng
Vice-Chairman:	Dr Ong Chiou Li
Secretary:	Dr Ian Tsou
Committee Members:	Dr Kwek Boon Han
	Dr Tchoyoson Lim
	Dr Quek Swee Tian
	Dr Tay Kiang Hiong

Chapter of Radiation Oncologists

Chairman:	Dr Chua Eu Tiong
Vice-Chairman:	Dr Lee Khai Mun
Secretary:	Dr Susan Loong
Committee Members:	Dr Lee Kim Shang
	Dr Terence Tan
	Dr Edward Yang

Chapter of Nuclear Medicine Physicians

Chairman:	Dr Anthony Goh
Vice-Chairman:	Dr Mahmood Shahid
Secretary:	Dr David Ng
Committee Members:	Dr Gilbert Keng
	Dr Ong Seng Chuan
	Dr Wong Wai Yin

2. COUNCIL MEETINGS

The Council met once every 2 months to conduct the business and affairs of the College. At the time of writing the Annual Report, the 2005-2006 Council had met 6 times, which includes the AGM and Strategic Retreat.

The attendances of the council members are as follows

Name	Number of attendances (out of 6)
Dr Tan Kim Ping	6
Dr John Hoe	3
A/Prof Thomas Chee	3
Dr Gregory Kaw	4
Dr Tan Bien Soo	5
Dr Vijay Kumar Sethi	4
A/Prof Wang Shih Chang	5
Dr Samuel Ng	5
Dr Anthony Goh	4
Dr Chua Eu Tiong	5

3. MEMBERSHIP

Fellowship 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 2005 comprises:

Active	117
Retired	8

Breakdown of Fellows distribution according to specialties:

Diagnostic Radiologists	(95 Fellows)
Nuclear Medicine Physicians	(10 Fellows)
Radiation Oncologists	(20 Fellows)

4. MESSAGE FROM COLLEGE PRESIDENT

Dr Tan Kim Ping has penned 4 messages to Fellows, as a means of keeping Fellows updated on College matters. Fellows can request copies of them from the secretariat at crs@ams.edu.sg

5. STRATEGIC PLANNING RETREAT

The College held its 1st Strategic Planning Retreat on Tuesday, 9 August 2005 at the NUSS Kent Ridge Guild House. Despite being held on a public holiday, 34 radiologists attended the retreat and respresented a spectrum of views from the young to senior members of the radiological community.

A paper entitled: "Singapore Radiology: Current Challenges and the Road Ahead", written in February 2005 by a group of radiologists from various departments was circulated as well.

The aim of the retreat is to envision the goals of the College within the next 5 years in different areas, based on the 4 principles:

- Positive: To eschew criticism, pessimism and negativity
- Proforma: Proceed to reach goals in a systematic and focused manner
- Practical: Ensuring goals are met through bite-sized steps.
- Performance: Goals are to be driven by outcomes and there may be a need to re-adjust plans accordingly.

Steering Committees were established to draft road-maps and to ensure that resources are utilized effectively, progress monitored and goals reached. The various issues were prioritized in accordance to the pressing needs of the newly-formed College. The draft road-maps are to be submitted by the end of January 2006.

Specialty Training & Exam

Chairman: Dr Wang Shih-Chang
 Vice-Chairperson: Dr Ong Chiou Li
 Member: Dr Angeline Poh

Professional Standards

Chairman: Dr Kwek Boon Han
 Vice-Chairman: Dr Andrew Tan
 Members: Dr Quek Swee Tian
 Dr Lionel Cheng

Research

Chairman: Dr Tay Kiang Hiong
 Member: Dr Tchoyoson Lim
 Dr Samuel Ng

Membership

Chairman: Dr Tan Kim Ping
 Member: Dr Kho Kwang Mui

Fundraising

Members: Dr Thomas Chee
 Dr Kevin Chen
 Dr Ng Fook Cheong
 Dr Khoo Teng Kew

Public Education

Chairman: Dr Kenneth Sheah
 Members: Dr Chua Gim Chuah
 Dr Ian Tsou
 Dr Gan Yu Unn

Manpower

Chairman: Dr Tan Bien Soo
 Members: Dr Robert Kwok and all HODs

Radiation Protection Regulation

Chairman: Dr Tan Kim Ping
 Member: Dr John Hoe

Overseas Relationship

- Regional CRS Council
 - International Chairman: Dr Tan Bien Soo
 Members: Dr Tchoyoson Lim
 Dr Samuel Ng
 Dr Anthony Goh
 Dr Chua Eu Tiong

Fellows may request for the paper and minutes of the retreat from the secretariat at crs@ams.edu.sg.

6. TELERADIOLOGY PANEL

The Ministry of Health (MOH) informed the College of the National Healthcare Group's (NHG) intention of outsourcing the reporting of its routine radiological films to Teleradiology Solutions (TS) in Bangalore, India.

The College has accepted the MOH's appointment to be its accreditation body for a period of 3 years, to assist in the assessment of TS' (and other foreign teleradiology providers subsequently) suitability as a provider of outsourced radiology reporting.

Members of the College and the Singapore Radiological Society met on several occasions to discuss and formulate a response to MOH. With the assistance of Ms Tan Peck Hwa, PR Consultant, Asia Business Channels Pte Ltd, a letter of support and offer to help was sent to the Minister for Health, Mr Khaw Boon Wan. There was a friendly dialogue on the issue between the Committee members of the College, DMS and the Minister during a lunchtime meeting at MOH on 13 September 2005.

The College proposed to help in 3 areas:

1. Teleradiology Panel

A 5-person panel was appointed and the election of the Chairman was conducted during the first meeting of the panel held on Monday, 10 October 2005.

Chairman: Dr Khoo Teng Kew
Changi General Hospital

Members: Dr Jeffrey Goh
Tan Tock Seng Hospital
Dr Robert Kwok
Mount Elizabeth Medical Centre
Dr Ng Fook Cheong
Singapore General Hospital
Dr Vijay Kumar Sethi
College Council

Dr Khoo and Dr Kwok also participated in the site visit to Bangalore, India with the MOH-NHG team.

2. National Teleradiology Grid

The proposed grid will enable a nation-wide exchange for the buying and selling of radiology reporting services. This grid will connect all public and private radiology centres, as well as radiologists who would like to work from home. Radiologists or centres interested in participating in this initiative can write in to inform the secretariat at crs@ams.edu.sg

3. Training of radiologists

Rapid technological advances has led to a rising demand for higher end imaging examinations and radiological interventional services. This situation has resulted in a worldwide shortage of radiologists.

The College acknowledges the shortage of radiologists in Singapore and is looking into intensifying and shortening the radiology training programme. The College would also like to appeal to Fellows to take the initiative to interest MOs/HOs in pursuing specialisation in radiology.

7. **JOINT CARDIOLOGY – RADIOLOGY COMMITTEE FOR STATEMENT ON CARDIAC CORONARY CT ANGIOGRAM**

A joint cardiology-radiology committee was formed under the auspices of the Academy of Medicine, Singapore to formulate a statement on cardiac-coronary CT angiogram.

The joint committee comprises of the following Fellows:

Chapter of Cardiologists, College of Physicians

Co-Chairman: Dr Ho Kheng Thye

Members: Dr Terence Chua
Dr Lim Yean Theng
Dr Low Lip Peng
Dr Peter Yan

College of Radiologists

Co-Chairman: Dr Kwek Boon Han
Members: Dr Kevin Chen
Dr Robert Kwok
Dr Andrew Tan
Dr Wang Shih-Chang

Informal discussions held between concerned radiologists in the private and public sectors have highlighted the need to train interested radiologists to perform coronary CT. This is to ensure competent interpretation and seamless delivery of these coronary CT studies, which are fast becoming routine imaging.

The Council has decided to form a committee under Dr KP Tan to organise training for Fellows.

8. **CONTINUING MEDICAL EDUCATION ACTIVITIES**

(a) The following lectures were conducted in 2005:

Organised by Chapter of Diagnostic Radiologists and Singapore Radiological Society

6 January 2005

CT Perfusion of the Brain

AST: Dr Kenneth Sheah
Moderator: Dr Chan Ling Ling

HMDP Visiting Expert Series

13 January 2005 – 19 January 2005

Professor Lawrence Ginsberg
Department of Diagnostic Radiology, The University of Texas M.D. Anderson Cancer Center, HMDP Visiting Expert

13 January 2005

Imaging of Perineural Tumour Spread in Head and Neck Cancer

Chairman: Dr Vincent Chong

14 January 2005

CT versus MRI in the Evaluation of Head and Neck Diseases

Chairperson: Dr Chan Ling Ling

14 January 2005

Post-Treatment Imaging of the Oral Cavity and Oropharynx

Chairman: Dr Thomas Chee

17 January 2005

Imaging of Pitfalls in the Head and Neck

Chairman: Dr Winston Lim

18 January 2005

Clinical 3.0T MR: Routine to Advanced Techniques

Chairman: Dr Thng Choon Hua

1. **Concepts of Molecular Imaging, including Whole Body Diffusion Imaging**
2. **Modern MR Imaging Techniques for Cardiac Imaging**

Speaker: Dr Marc Van Cauteren

Director, MR Clinical Science Asia – Pacific

3. **Clinical Applications of Fiber Tracking**

4. **The Clinical Advantages of 3.0T MR in all Anatomies**

Speaker: Dr Stefan Sunaert

*Research Fellow, MR Research Centre,
Department of Radiology University
Hospitals, Leuven, Belgium*

5. **Advanced Techniques of Spectroscopy and Spectroscopy Imaging**

Speaker: Dr Peter Barker

*Professor of Radiology, Division of
Neuroradiology, The Russell H Morgan
Department of Radiology and Radiological
Science, John Hopkins University School of
Medicine, Baltimore, MD*

6. **Advanced Methodologies for Functional Assessment of the Brain**

Speaker: Dr Peter van Zijl

*Director, F.M. Kirby Research Center
for Functional Brain Imaging, Kennedy
Krieger Institute/John Hopkins University,
Baltimore, MD*

19 January 2005

Cranial Neuropathy at a Cancer Centre

Chairman: Dr Wickly Lee

Speaker: Professor Lawrence Ginsberg

2 February 2005

**Percutaneous Management in Liver Tumours
Chemoembolization and Radiofrequency Ablation**

AST: Dr Lin Shueh En

Moderator: Dr Peter Goh

3 March 2005

Cardiovascular Imaging

AST: Dr Chong Le Roy

Moderator: Dr Kevin Chen

17 March 2005

The Elbow: Anatomic – Imaging Correlations

Speaker: Professor Michael Pitt

*Professor of Radiology and Orthopaedic
Surgery, Chief of Musculoskeletal Radiology,
University of Alabama, Birmingham, US*

Chairmen: Associate Professor Thomas Chee

Professor Wilfred Peh

7 April 2005

Abdominal Fat: The Good, The Bad and The Ugly

AST: Dr Lionel Cheng

Moderator: Dr Andrew Tan

5 May 2005

Ultrasound Approach to Uterine Bleeding

AST: Dr Bertrand Ang

Moderator: Dr Lam Shu Lin

2 June 2005

Difficult Breast Cancers

AST: Dr Ching Boon Chye

Moderator: Dr Sim Shao-jen

7 July 2005

Child Abuse

AST: Dr Lynette Teo

Moderator: Dr Harvey Teo

12 August 2005

Unruptured Aneurysm

Speaker: Dr Joshua A Hirsch

*MD, Director Interventional Neuroradiology/
Endovascular Neurosurgery, Massachusetts
General Hospital, Boston, MA, USA*

Chairman: Dr Francis Hui

1 September 2005

Diffusion Imaging in the Brain

AST: Dr Kenneth Sheah

Moderator: Dr Sitoh Yih-Yian

8 September 2005

Bone and Joint Infection

AST: Dr Tang Phua Hwee

Moderator: Dr Thomas Chee

29 September 2005

From Magnetivist to the Latest Research in MR Contrast

Media – Their Clinical Application

Speaker: Dr Hanns - Joachim Weinmann

*Head, Department of MRI and X-ray Research,
Schering AG, Germany*

Moderator: Dr Tchoyoson Lim

3 October 2005

Whither Interventional Radiology

Speaker: Professor Andreas Adam

*Professor of Interventional Radiology
University of London, United Kingdom*

Chairman: Dr John Hoe

10 November 2005

Imaging of Large Airways

AST: Dr Chong Le Roy

Moderator: Dr Gregory Kaw

14 November 2005

White Matter Changes on MRI as a Surrogate Marker of Dementia

Speaker: Dr Philip Schelten
Staff Neurologist, Full Professor Cognitive Neurology, Director of the Alzheimer Centre VU, Academic Hospital Vrije Universiteit, Amsterdam, The Netherlands

Chairman: Dr Xavier Golay

15 November 2005

Radial Scar of the Breast

Speaker: Dr Jennifer Cawson
Director, St Vincent's BreastScreen Consultant Radiologist, St Vincent's Hospital, Melbourne, Australia

Chairman: Dr Elizabeth Fok Chun Mei

17 November 2005

Aortic Stent Graft Imaging: When to Call Your IR Colleagues

AST:Dr Lin Shueh En

Moderator:Dr Tay Kiang Hiong

1 December 2005

Imaging of the Prostate

AST:Dr Hwang Cheng Yang

Moderator:Dr Teh Hui Seong

Organised by Chapter of Radiation Oncologists and Singapore Radiological Society

31 January 2005

Recent advances in Breast Cancer with particular relevance to Clinical Trials

Speaker: Dr S.S. Mitra
Consultant Clinical Oncologists, Sussex Cancer Centre, United Kingdom

Chairman: Dr John Low

Organised by Chapter of Nuclear Medicine Physicians and Singapore Radiological Society

6 April 2005

Diagnosis and Therapy of Neuroendocrine Tumours and Some Experimental Radionuclide Therapies

Speaker: Dr Jamshed Bomanji
Consultant, Institute of Nuclear Medicine Middlesex Hospital, London, United Kingdom

Chairman: Dr Anthony Goh

17 August 2005

Selective Internal Radiation Therapy with Yttrium – 90 Microspheres for Unresectable Hepatoma

Speaker: Associate Professor Thomas Leung
Department of Clinical Oncology, Prince of Wales Hospital, Chinese University of Hong Kong, Hong Kong

Chairman: Dr Anthony Goh

(b) The following workshops were conducted:

27 January 2005

Interventional Radiology Workshop featuring Emergency Endovascular Aortic Repair (eEVAR) of Ruptured AAA

Organised by CVIR Subsection, Singapore Radiological Society; Nominal Sponsor: ASEAN Society of Interventional Radiologists, College of Radiologists, Singapore & Vascular Surgical Society, Singapore

Coordinator:Dr Tay Kiang Hiong

Emergency EVAR for Ruptured AAA

1. Emergency AAA Repair – Options and Results
2. eEVAR – Set up, Case Selection and Techniques
3. AUI Demo on Flow Model
4. Cutting Balloon Angioplasty

Speaker: Dr Willie Loan

Consultant Radiologist, Belfast City Hospital Trust, Northern Ireland

Interventional Radiology

5. Coated Stents – Non Coronary Applications
6. Uterine Fibroid Embolisation – Data Review

Speaker: Dr Trevor Cleveland

Consultant Vascular Radiologist, Sheffield Teaching Hospitals, United Kingdom

7. Endovenous Laser Treatment of Varicose Veins

Speaker: Dr Tay Kiang Hiong

Consultant, Department of Diagnostic Radiology, Singapore General Hospital

9 May 2005

Endovascular Laser Workshop featuring: New Modalities for Treatment of Varicose Veins

Jointly organised by Department of Diagnostic Radiology, Singapore General Hospital & Dornier MedTech Asia Pte Ltd; Nominal Sponsors: Singapore Radiological Society, College of Radiologists, Singapore and Vascular Surgical Society, Singapore

1. Introduction to Varicose Veins and Patient Workup
2. Venous Duplex Imaging
3. Endovenous Procedure (video)
4. Sclerotherapy, Foam Sclerosing, Laser and 'Double Injury' for treatment of Spider Veins (video)

Speaker: Dr Rajagopalan Ravi

Vascular Surgeon & Medical Director, Arizona Heart Institute Vein Center, USA

1. Patient and Procedure Preparation (endovenous)
2. Post – Procedure Patient Care and Instructions
3. Patient and Procedure Preparation (cosmetic)
4. Post – Procedure Patient Care and Instructions

Speaker: Ms Edwina Trayler
Clinical Manager, Arizona Heart Institute Vein Center, USA

(c) Distance Learning Programme (DLP)

As part of CME, the Academy will be launching the DLP soon. The Academy have developed a system which allows doctors to attempt the DLP modules online. Once the link to the DLP site is available, members can log in via the Academy's homepage. The modules will be collated 3 months ahead of the launch and each module is available for 2 years.

There will be an online MCQ test for each module comprising 5 questions with a choice of 4 possible answers each. A maximum of 2 attempts per module is allowed. 2 CME points will be awarded when 60% of the answers are correct for each module. The results will be known immediately once the test is completed.

The College strongly supports the DLP and has already submitted 4 articles in preparation.

9. F Y Khoo Memorial Lecture

Dr Khor Tong Hong presented "Brachytherapy – One Man's Meat, A Personal Journey in Radiation Oncology" during the 14th Singapore Radiological Society Annual Scientific Meeting on Saturday, 19 February 2005. About 100 participants of the Scientific Meeting attended the lecture. Dr Boey Hong Kim delivered the citation and Dr Tan Kim Ping chaired the lecture.

The third FY Khoo Memorial Lecture will be delivered by Professor Adrian Dixon, Warden of Royal College of Radiologists.

10. 14th ANNUAL SCIENTIFIC MEETING, 19 – 20 February 2005.

The 14th Annual Scientific Meeting was well-attended, attracting 300 participants from around the region and locally, the highest number of participants so far. Jointly organised by the College of Radiologists, Singapore and the Singapore Radiological Society, the theme of the Meeting was "Women's Imaging and Therapy -Advancing the Healthcare of Women". Dr Thoo Fei Ling was the Chairperson of the Meeting.

The following are the recipients of the awards:

Young Radiologist Award

Winner: Dr Howe Tse Chiang
 1st Runner-up: Dr Kei Pin Lin

Oral Paper Award

Winner: Dr Lin Shueh En
 1st Runner-up: Dr Sikander Ali

Best Poster Award

Winner: Dr Thng Choon Hua
 1st Runner-up: Dr John Low

11. 39th SINGAPORE-MALAYSIA CONGRESS OF MEDICINE (39th SMCM), 30 JUNE-3 JULY 2005

Dr Thoo Fei Ling, as the College representative, organised the radiology session of the 39th SMCM. The radiology session was held at Ballroom 1 of the Grand Hyatt and included a lunch symposium sponsored by Toshiba Medical Systems Asia Pte Ltd. The theme for the 39th Singapore-Malaysia Congress of Medicine was "Celebrating 100 Years of Medical Education".

The programme included:

Lunch Symposium

Chairman: Dr Tan Bien Soo

- Cardiovascular Disease – The Next Wave?
 Speaker: Dr Terrence Chua
Head & Senior Consultant, Department of Cardiology, National Heart Centre

- Calcium Scoring
 Speaker: Dr John Hoe
President, Singapore Radiological Society

- CT Coronary Angiography – An Update
 Speaker: Dr Robert Kwok
Chief Consultant Radiologist, Mt Elizabeth Hospital

Symposium 1 – Education and Current Issues

Chairpersons: Dr John Hoe and Dr Lilian Leong

- Historical Perspective of Radiology in Singapore
 Speaker: Dr Tan Kim Ping
President, College of Radiologists

- Continuing Professional Development (CPD) and Accreditation
 Speaker: Dr Lilian Leong
President, Hong Kong College of Radiologists

- CPD in Radiology – Electronic Teaching Files
 Speaker: Dr Tchoyoson Lim
Consultant Radiologist, National Neuroscience Institute

Symposium 2 – Hot Topics and New Frontiers

Chairpersons: Dr Basri JJ Abdullah and Dr Anthony Goh

- Current State of the Art in Radiology
 Speaker: Dr Basri JJ Abdullah
President, College of Radiology, Academy of Medicine, Malaysia

- Radioimmunotherapy – Use of Radiolabelled Monoclonal Antibodies for Therapy
Speaker: Dr David Ng
Consultant, Department of Nuclear Medicine, Singapore General Hospital
- Endovenous Laser Treatment of Varicose Veins
Speaker: Dr Tay Kiang Hiong
Consultant, Department of Diagnostic Radiology, Singapore General Hospital
- Advances in Radiation Oncology
Speaker: Dr Michael Wang
Registrar, Department of Therapeutic Radiology, National Cancer Centre

12. OVERALL GOAL OF THE COLLEGE OF RADIOLOGISTS, SINGAPORE

Being the smallest College, and one of the 6 specialist colleges formed under the Academy of Medicine, Singapore, the College aims to develop itself to be the first amongst equals. With the 5-year plans envisioned and goals set during the first Strategic Planning Retreat, together with the concerted effort and cooperation from its Fellows, the College aims to transform its Vision into Reality.

13. Dr Eric Wong Soon Seng's Obituary

The College records the passing of Dr Eric Wong Soon Seng in September 2005.

14. APPRECIATION

The College wishes to record its appreciation and thanks to all fellows and the secretariat, Wen Jie for their kind support. (Sharon Chen was supporting the College before her resignation in November 2005. Tjan Wen Jie took over from 2nd November 2005.)

December 2005
Dr Gregory Kaw
Honorary Secretary
2005 - 2006 Council

College of Surgeons



The College crest with the wings and the snake entwining the needle represents the international medical symbol. The Merlion represents Singapore where the College originates. The red on the needle is the national predominant colour of Singapore. The leaves serve as a support for this organization, which also stand for unity and freedom. The colours blue and yellow compliment each other. The Latin motto "Veritas et Virtus" means Truth and Excellence.

2nd Annual General Meeting

Notice is hereby given that the 2nd Annual General Meeting of the College of Surgeons, Singapore will be held on Friday, 21 April 2006 at 6.00pm at the Lecture Theatre, Gleneagles Hospital, 6A Napier Road, Singapore 258500.

AGENDA

1. Minutes of the 1st Annual General Meeting held on 2 July 2005.
2. Report of the 2005-2006 Council.
3. Presentation of the Unaudited Accounts as at 31 December 2005.
4. Election of the 2006-2008 Council.

The following nominations to the 2006-2008 Council have been received and accepted:

Nominee	Proposer	Seconded
Dr Tong Ming Chuan	Dr Anthony Heng	Dr Ong Kim Kiat
Dr Billy, Tan B H	Dr Robert Loh C K	Dr Anthony Heng

5. Re-appointment of the Auditors.

18 April 2006

Dr Prema Raj Jeyaraj
Honorary Secretary

1st Annual General Meeting

Minutes of the 1st Annual General Meeting of the College of Surgeons, Singapore held on Saturday, 2 July 2005 at 6.30pm in the Ballroom 1 of Grand Hyatt Singapore, 10 Scotts Road, Singapore 228211

Present:

1. Dr Abdul Aziz Bin Mohamed Nather
2. Dr Beng Kian Siew, Jimmy
3. Dr Chan Heng Thye
4. Dr Chan Siew Chee
5. Dr Chang Wei Yee
6. Dr Chen Yun Yin, Cosmas
7. Dr Chia Sing Joo
8. Dr Chua Choon Lan
9. Dr Chua Wan Hoi
10. Dr Chumpon Chantharakulpongsa
11. Dr Foo Toon Hiong
12. Dr Fu Raw Yueh, Esther
13. Dr Fung Hoi Chu
14. Dr Gong Ing San
15. Dr Heng Lee Kwang
16. Dr Heng Lee Suan
17. Dr Heng Anthony
18. Dr Hoe Nan Yuh, Michael
19. Dr Hong Alvin
20. Dr Hong Soo Wan
21. Dr Isaac John Richard
22. Dr Jeyaraj, Prema Raj
23. Dr Joseph Vijeyakaran Thuraisingam
24. Dr Lee Chong Hwa, James
25. Dr Lee Hung Ming
26. Dr Lee Kam-Yiu, Timothy
27. Dr Lee Siew Yang, Joy
28. Dr Lee Yee Chun
29. Dr Leong Hoo Kwong
30. Dr Li Man Kay
31. Dr Low Chee Kwang
32. Dr Low Sze Chuan
33. Dr Ng Boon Keng
34. Dr Ngoi Sing Shang
35. Dr Pang Ah San
36. Dr Saw Huat Seong

37. Dr Sayampanathan, Sarvaselan R E
38. Dr Seow Choen, Francis
39. Dr Seshadri, Ravi
40. Dr Sim Hong Gee
41. Dr Sim Song Teck, Roland
42. Dr So Bok Yan
43. Dr Soo Khee Chee
44. Dr Tan Chong Tien
45. Dr Tan Hong Kiat
46. Dr Tan Kiat Tee, Benita
47. Dr Tan Kok Chai
48. Dr Tan Peng Kok
49. Dr Tan Poh Choo, Mona
50. Dr Tan Tiang Hin, Jerry
51. Dr Tay Kah Phuan
52. Dr Teoh Tiong Ann
53. Dr Tharmalingam Ravintharan
54. Dr Tong Heng Nam
55. Dr Tong Ming Chuan
56. Dr Tung Kean Hin
57. Dr Veerasingam, Prem Kumar
58. Dr Wong Soong Kuan
59. Dr Wong Yue Sie
60. Dr Woon Yng Yng, Bertha
61. Dr Yong Wei Sean
62. Dr Yung Shing Wai

Absent with apologies:

1. Dr Ang Chong Lye
2. Dr Aung Tin
3. Dr Chan Wing Kwong
4. Dr Chan Yew Meng
5. Dr Chao Tar Toong, Victor
6. Dr Chen Chung Ming
7. Dr Cheong Yeem Yoong, Pauline
8. Dr Chong Teong Won
9. Dsr Chui Chan Hon
10. Dr Consigliere, David Terrence
11. Dr Fam Han Bor
12. Dr Foo Keong Tatt
13. Dr Gangadhara Sundar JK
14. Dr Goh Hak Su
15. Dr Goh Kong Yong
16. Dr Goh Swee Heng
17. Dr Goh Yu-Ching, Keith
18. Dr Ho Soon Teck
19. Dr Ikshuvanam Swaminathan
20. Dr Khoo Chee Min, James
21. Dr Lee Boon Teck
22. Dr Lee Yee Mun
23. Dr Leong Hin Seng
24. Dr Li Yung Hua

25. Dr Lie Tjiauw Tjoen, Denny
26. Dr Lim Mey Lee, Susan
27. Dr Lim Yu Tang, Aymeric
28. Dr Low Cheng Ooi
29. Dr Ng Lay Guat
30. Dr Ong Choo Phaik, Caroline
31. Dr Pho Wan Heng, Robert
32. Dr Pillay Premkumar
33. Dr Seah Kah Leng, Steve
34. Dr Sim Richard
35. Dr Soin Kanwaljit
36. Dr Tan Beng Hoi, Agnes
37. Dr Tan Ser Kiat
38. Dr Tay Chong Kam
39. Dr Tay Shian Chao
40. Dr Toh Khai Lee
41. Dr Tong Ming Chuan
42. Dr Voon Gone Lin
43. Dr Wong Hee Kit
44. Dr Wujanto Raymond
45. Dr Yang Ching Yu
46. Dr Yeo Yew San, Ian
47. Dr Yeoh Kian Hian
48. Dr Yong Nen Khiong

In attendance:

Ms Sophia Wong, Chief Administrator, Academy of Medicine, Singapore

Ms Marianne Yee, Project Executive, Academy of Medicine, Singapore

PREAMBLE

Dr Colin Song, President-Elect of the interim Council of the College, called the meeting to order at 6.30pm. He welcomed and thanked Fellow surgeons for attending the first College Annual General Meeting.

Dr Colin Song requested the House to observe one minute of silence in memory of the following fellow who passed away between the period June 2004 to June 2005:

Dr Chong San Thau (4 June 2004)

After observing one minute of silence, the House heard from Dr Colin Song that the interim College Executive Council and the 10 Chapter Chairmen together with their committee members would step down at the end of this Annual General Meeting after completing the necessary statutory items on the agenda. Dr Song explained that the interim Council has completed the necessary preparatory work since incorporation of the College on 17 August 2004 and would like to call for a fresh mandate to take over the leadership of the College.

1. ANNUAL REPORT 2004

The House adopted the Annual Report of the Interim Council for the year 2004.

1.1 Membership

The House heard that the total membership of the College as at 31 December 2004 was 370 Fellows. There were Fellows not yet transferred to the College due to outstanding dues. Dr Song remarked that the total membership should have increased at the time of this meeting.

1.2 College Retreat – January 2005

Dr Song highlighted the following important areas discussed at the Interim Council's Retreat held on 15 January 2005:

i) CPD and Maintenance of Certification (MOC) Programme

In response to the Singapore Medical Council's request to submit the recommendations for a detailed framework for the proposed MOC programme, the Academy Education Committee and the Colleges have been working on the proposal. Following the discussion made on this proposed programme at the retreat meeting and prior the dialogue session for the College of Surgeons, the interim Council had subsequently circulated a more specific proposal to fellows for feedback.

The College would put in extra effort to provide content for the Academy's Distance Learning Programme (DLP). These self-study modules would enable doctors who cannot physically attend CME meetings due to clinical and work commitment to gain the necessary points at their convenience and in between work.

ii) Administration and Finance

This College shall look into the following:

- a) restructure and expand the functions of the College secretariat;
- b) negotiate with the Academy on increasing the percentage of annual subscription fee to be given to the College;
- c) organise a fund raising project to be launched during the later half of 2005 and subsequently, look into other forms of fund raising; and
- d) organise the College 1st Annual Scientific Meeting scheduled to be held in 2006.

iii) Exit Certification and Training

Dr Song highlighted the importance of nurturing a close relationship with the Academy of Medicine, Singapore and the surgical specialist societies. The College hopes to sign MOUs with the surgical specialist societies.

Dr Song added that exit certification and training would be one of the important functions of the College as mentioned in the College Inaugural Lecture delivered by Director of Medical Services Prof K Satku entitled "Of Role and Role Model".

The College has plans to look into the following areas:

- a) standardise the format of exit certification across all surgical disciplines;
- b) foster closer ties with international colleges to conduct joint exit certification examinations (each chapter or specialty board to decide on the format and advise the College on any collaboration);
- c) review in-course training and suggest quarterly review courses per discipline;
- d) work closely with the individual Specialist Training Committees (STCs) under the Joint Committee on Specialist Training (JCST) and Specialist Accreditation Board (SAB) to coordinate courses and conduct exit examinations.

iv) Fellowship Drive

The House was informed that the College planned to conduct more Fellowship recruitment drive to increase membership in the College. With more paying members, there would be increased revenue generated for the College to organise more educational activities.

The House adopted the Annual Report as proposed by Dr John Isaac and seconded by Dr Chia Sing Joo.

2. PRESENTATION OF THE AUDITED ACCOUNTS AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2004

The House

- a) received from the Honorary Treasurer Dr Li Man Kay, a verbal presentation, with the aid of illustrations from slides where appropriate, of the audited accounts of the College as at 31 December 2004;

- b) heard that the collection of the annual subscription fees for the College as at 31 December 2004 was \$13,306.25. This amount received covered the period September to December 2005. Currently, 25% of the collected annual subscription fees of Fellows in the College are credited from the Academy of Medicine, Singapore to the College's account.
- c) noted that the bulk of the operating expenses was for professional fees paid to the auditors and the company secretary;
- d) noted that there was a surplus of \$9,373 for the year ended 31 December 2004;
- e) heard that the following specialty related funds amounting to a total of \$694,687 is currently under the purview of the College of Surgeons:
- Accumulated Fund for College of Surgeons
 - DWC Gawne
 - Chapter of Surgeons Travelling Fellowship
 - Shaw Foundation Fellowships in Orthopaedic Surgery
 - Lee Foundation Fellowships in Orthopaedic Surgery
 - Yahya Cohen Memorial Lecture Fund

Dr Li highlighted that the objectives for which the funds were originally set up for must be honoured and adhered to. Hence, the funds in these specific funds must not be used for any other purposes.

The House accepted and passed the audited accounts as proposed by Dr Ngoi Sing Shang and seconded by Dr Alvin Hong.

3. RE-APPOINTMENT OF AUDITORS

The House unanimously agreed to re-appoint "G S Tan & Co" as the auditor for year ending 31 December 2005.

4. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

4.1 Term of Office for the Interim Council

At this juncture, Dr Colin Song announced again to the House that the interim College Council Members, including the 10 Chapter Chairmen and respective committee members, have completed their term of office and would like to step down as office-bearers.

The House accepted the decision as proposed by Dr Anthony Heng and seconded by Dr Cosmas Chen.

Dr Song further informed that the call for a fresh mandate would be nominated and elected via postal ballot. During this interim period, the College would now be under the guardianship of the Master, Academy of Medicine, Singapore, until such time when the new College Council is elected.

In view of the above, the House agreed to withdraw the motion of "Vote of Censure and No Confidence against the Interim Council of the College of Surgeons, Singapore" as proposed by Dr Anthony Heng and Dr Tong Ming Chuan.

4.2 Vote of Thanks

On behalf of the House, Dr Anthony Heng recorded a vote of thanks to the out-going interim Council for their effort and time spent in establishing the foundation of the College and organising the surgical scientific programme held during the 39th Singapore-Malaysia Congress of Medicine.

4.3 Closing Remarks

At this juncture, Master Prof Low Cheng Hock thanked the out-going interim College Council for all their effort in serving the surgical community. He also recorded a vote of thanks to the House for their kind cooperation and presence in attending the College 1st Annual General Meeting.

The Master encouraged the House to cooperate and work together as one united body for the common good of the College. He undertook to take charge of all College matters during this interim period until the new College Executive Council is duly elected. The call for nominations to elect the new College Council Members will be sent to all Fellows in due course. He emphasised the importance for all Fellows to participate in the election of the College Council Members so that there will be representation from both the public and private sectors.

There being no further matters, the meeting ended at 7.00pm.

Minutes recorded by:

Ms Marianne Yee (Project Executive) with inputs from Ms Sophia Wong (Chief Administrator)

Vetted by:

Dr Wong Wai Keong, Honorary Secretary, Interim Council

Annual Report of the 2005 – 2006 Council

1ST ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The 1st Annual General Meeting of the College of Surgeons, Singapore was held on Saturday, 2 July 2005 at 6.30pm in the Ballroom 1 of Grand Hyatt Singapore, 10 Scotts Road, Singapore 228211.

The Interim Council

At the 1st Annual General Meeting, the interim Council announced that they have completed the preparatory work from the time the College was incorporated on 17 August 2004. The House agreed that a fresh nomination and election is to be carried out.

The College Council

The following Council Members were officially elected to serve a term of 2 years from 2005-2007. This also includes all the Chapter Chairmen.

President

Dr Anthony Heng

Vice-President - Administration

Dr Chan Heng Thye

Vice-President - Education

Dr Ravintharan Tharmalingam

Honorary Secretary

Dr Prema Raj Jeyaraj

Treasurer

Dr Wong Sen Chow

Council Members

Dr Tan Ban Hock, Billy

Dr Tong Ming Chuan

Chairman, Chapter of Cardiothoracic Surgeons

Dr Chua Yeow Leng

Chairman, Chapter of General Surgeons

Dr Leong Peng Kheong, Adrian Francis

Chairman, Chapter of Hand Surgeons

Dr Lim Beng Hai

Chairman, Chapter of Neurosurgeons

Dr Chumpon Chantharakulpongsa

Chairman, Chapter of Otorhinolaryngologists

Dr Siow Jin Keat

Chairman, Chapter of Ophthalmologists

Dr Lim Tock Han

Chairman, Chapter of Orthopaedic Surgeons

Dr Low Yin Peng

Chairman, Chapter of Paediatric Surgeons

Dr Anette Jacobsen

Chairman, Chapter of Plastic Surgeons

Dr Yeow Kok Leng, Vincent

Chairman, Chapter of Urologists

Dr David Terrence Consigliere

Formation of Chapters

The following committee members elected in the various Chapters are as follows:

Chapter of Cardiothoracic Surgeons

Chairman: Dr Chua Yeow Leng

Members: Dr Michael George Caleb

Dr Lim Chong Hee

Dr Lim See Lim

Dr Tan Yong Seng

Dr Wong Poo Sing

Chapter of General Surgeons

Chairman: Dr Leong Peng Kheong, Adrian Francis

Members: Dr Cheah Wei Keat

Dr Kum Cheng Kiong

Dr Lim Teck Hock, Dennis

Dr Chan Hsiang Sui

Dr Swaminathan Ikshuvanam

Chapter of Hand Surgeons

Chairman: Dr Lim Beng Hai

Members: Dr Chin Yuan Hui, Andrew

Dr Lim Yu Tang, Aymeric

Dr Tan Soo Heong

Dr Tan Ter Chyan

Chapter of Neurosurgeons

Chairman: Dr Chumpon Chantharakulpongsa

Members: Dr Hwang Ying Khai, Peter

Dr John Thomas

Dr Ong Peck Leong

Dr Seow Wan Tew

Dr Tan Kheng Kooi

Chapter of Ophthalmologists

Chairman: Dr Lim Tock Han

Members: Dr Aung Tin

Dr Fam Han Bor

Dr Heng Wee Jin

Dr Lim Li

Dr Ong Sze Guan

Chapter of Orthopaedic Surgeons

Chairman: Dr Low Yin Peng

Members: Dr Chan Heng Thy
Dr Chang Wei Chun
Dr Jimmy Shiavux Daruwalla
Dr Wong Hee Kit**Chapter of Otorhinolaryngologists**

Chairman: Dr Siow Jin Keat

Members: Dr Chee Wang Cheng, Nelson
Dr Euan Murugasu
Dr Huang Shoo Chyuan
Dr Leong Hoo Kwong
Dr Tan Kim Siang, Luke
Dr Yeo Seng Beng**Chapter of Paediatric Surgeons**

Chairman: Dr Anette S. Jacobsen

Members: Dr Chui Chan Hon
Dr Prabhakaran Krishnan
Dr Loh Ser Kheng, Dale Lincoln
Dr Low Yee
Dr Ong Nai Theow**Chapter of Plastic Surgeons**

Chairman: Dr Yeow Kok Leng, Vincent

Members: Dr Ang Sze Wee, Erik
Dr Khoo Kian Ming, Andrew
Dr Lim Jiun, Ivor
Dr Wu Tze-Liang, Woffles
Dr Yeap Choong Lieng**Chapter of Urologists**

Chairman: Dr David Terrence Consigliere

Members: Dr Cheng Wai Sam, Christopher
Dr Chia Sing Joo
Dr Foo Keong Tatt
Dr Ng Foo Cheong
Dr Tan Eng Choon
Dr Tan Peng Kok**MEMBERSHIP**

A total of 23 new inductees had joined the College in year 2005. The total membership as of 31 December 2005 under the College now stands at 421 fellows.

COLLEGE OF SURGEONS GOLD MEDAL

The College of Surgeons Gold Medal was established from proceeds of the 23rd Annual Combined Surgical Meeting. The Medal is awarded annually to the top candidate in the MMed (Surgery) Examination.

No award was made for 2005.

39TH SINGAPORE-MALAYSIA CONGRESS OF MEDICINE

The 39th Singapore- Malaysia Congress of Medicine was held on 1-3 July 2005 at the Grand Hyatt Singapore. The College participated in the three-day programme as follows:

Minimally Invasive Thoracic – Surgery Workshop

Chairpersons: Dr Sophia Ang / Dr James Wong

- Introduction and Principles of Video – assisted surgery
Dr T Agasthian
- Advances in Anaesthesia for VATS
Dr Ng Ju Mei
- VATS for Lung Cancer
Dr Anthony Yim
- VATS Sympathectomy for Hyperhydrosis – How I do it?
Dr Lim Chong Hee

Chairpersons : Dr Cheong Tuck Hong / Dr Wong Poo Sing

- VATS for Giant Bullous Disease – How I do it?
Dr James Wong / Dr Lim Chong Hee
- Lung Volume Reduction Surgery (LVRS)– Indication and Selection of Patients
Dr Lee Pyng
- VRS – Video-assisted vs Median Sternotomy Approach
Dr Malcolm Decamp
- Bronchoscopic Lung Volume Reduction Surgery (LVRS) – Fact or Fad?
Dr Anthony Lim

Chairpersons: Dr Ong Yong Yau / Dr Eugene Sim

- Medical Thoracoscopy - What Can We Achieve? (Medical Viewpoint)
Dr Alan Ng
- Medical Thoracoscopy – What Can We Achieve? (Surgical Viewpoint)
Dr Koong Heng Nung
- Rigid Bronchoscopy and Stenting of the Airway – Show and Tell
Dr Philip Eng
- Advances in Paediatric Video Assisted Thoracoscopy
Dr Chui Chan Hon
- VATS Thymectomy – How I do it?
Dr Anthony Heng

Chairpersons: Dr Jimmy So / Dr Wong Wai Keong

- VATS Resection of Mediastinal Tumour
Dr T Agasthian
- VATS for Benign Oesophagael Disease – Tips and Tricks
Dr Malcolm Decamp
- VATS for Oesophagael Cancer – Is it for Every One?
Dr Malcolm Decamp

Plenary Lecture 1

Professor Low Cheng Hock, Master, Academy of Medicine, Singapore delivered the Plenary Lecture on "Recertification of Maintenance of Certification – Quo Vadis (where do we go from here?)". The lecture was chaired by Prof Soo Khee Chee.

Symposium 1**Controversies In The Management Of Esophageal And Lung Cancer (Debate Session)**

Postoperative adjuvant therapy should be offered to all patients with resected lung cancer

Chairpersons: Dr Lim Chong Hee / Dr James Wong

Proposer: Professor Anthony Yim

Professor of Surgery & Chief of Cardiothoracic Surgery, The Chinese University of Hong Kong, Prince of Wales Hospital, Hong Kong

Opposer: Dr Lim Hong Liang

Consultant, Thoracic Oncologist, Mount Elizabeth Hospital

Panel Discussion

Minimal Invasive Esophagectomy Is A Major Advance In The Care Of The Patient With Esophageal Cancer

Opposer: Dr Wong Wai Keong

Head & Senior Consultant, Dept of General Surgery, Singapore General Hospital

Proposer: Professor Malcolm DeCamp

Chief of Section of Thoracic Surgery, Beth Israel Deconess Medical Centre, Boston, USA

Panel Discussion

Symposium 2**Cosmetic And Breast Cancer Surgery – An Update**

Chairpersons: Dr Colin Song / Dr Walter Tan

- **Breast Augmentation Poliurethane Implants, Subglandular Approach**

Dr Ewaldo Bolivar

Head, Dept of Post-Graduation of Santa Cecilia University Oswaldo Cruz Hospital (Sao Paulo), Brazil

- **Aesthetic and Reconstructive Surgery of the Breast – The Singapore Experience**

Prof Walter Tan

Consultant Plastic Surgeon, Raffles Medical Hospital, Singapore

- **Gluteoplasty Augmentation**

Dr Lucas Calçado

Plastic Surgeon, Clinica de Cirurgia Plastica Lucal Calçado, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil

Panel Discussion

Symposium 3**The Management of The Multiply Injured Patient**

Chairpersons: Dr David Chua / Dr Howe Tet Sen

- **Musculoskeletal Priorities in the Polytraumatised Patient**

Dr Khong Kok Sun

Consultant Orthopaedic Surgeon, Mount Elizabeth Medical Centre

- **Polytrauma and the General Surgeon**

Dr Chiu Ming Terk

Consultant, Dept of General Surgery & Head, Trauma Service, Tan Tock Seng Hospital

- **Critical Care in the Polytrauma Patient**

Dr Terence Quah

Associate Consultant Anaesthetist, Dept of Anaesthesia & Surgical Intensive Care, Changi General Hospital

- **Infections in the Polytraumatised Patient**

Dr Wong Sin Yew

Consultant Infectious Disease Physician, Gleneagles Medical Centre

- **Approach to Thoraco-Lumbar Fractures in Polytrauma Patients**

Dr Paul Thng

Consultant Orthopaedic Surgeon, Dept of Orthopaedic Surgery, Changi General Hospital

Panel Discussion

Symposium 4**Recent Advances In Ophthalmology**

Chairpersons: Dr Heng Wee Jin / Dr Ong Sze Guan

- **Medical Retina**

Dr Adrian Koh

Consultant Ophthalmic Surgeon, Eye Clinic Singapura, Gleneagles Hospital

- **Surgical Retina**

A/Prof Ang Chong Lye

Director, Singapore National Eye Centre, Senior Consultant, Vitreo-retinal Service, Singapore National Eye Centre

- **Cornea**

Dr Heng Wee Jin

Head, Cornea Service, TEI, Consultant, Dept of Ophthalmology, Tan Tock Seng Hospital

- **Refractive Surgery**

Dr Lee Hung Ming

Deputy Director (Clinical Service) & Head, Refractive Surgery, TEI, Senior Consultant, Dept of Ophthalmology, Tan Tock Seng Hospital

- **Glaucoma**

A/Prof Paul Chew

Deputy Director (Clinical Integration) & Head, Glaucoma Service, TEI Head & Senior Consultant Dept of Ophthalmology, National University Hospital

- **Pituitary Tumours in Singapore – What's the Problem in 2005?**

Prof James F Cullen
Acting Head & Visiting Consultant, Neuro-Ophthalmology Service, Singapore National Eye Centre

- **Paediatric Ophthalmology**

Dr Yvonne Ling
Head of Paediatric Ophthalmology, Singapore National Eye Centre

- **Evolution in Intraocular Lens Implants**

Dr Ronald Yeoh
Consultant, Eye Clinic Singapura, Gleneagles Hospital

- **Ocular Inflammation**

A/Prof Chee Soon Phaik
Head & Senior Consultant, Ocular Inflammation & Immunology Service, Singapore National Eye Center

- **Oculoplastics D**

Dr Seah Lay Leng
Head & Senior Consultant, Oculoplastics, Singapore National Eye Centre

Symposium 5

Laparoscopic Surgery/ Robotic Surgery

Chairperson: Dr Christopher Cheng

- **Malaysian Experience with Robotic Surgery**

Dr Sahabudin Raja Mohamad
Head, Dept of Urology, Hospital Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia

- **Robotic Surgery – Clinical Applications in General Surgery**

Dr Susan Lim
Consultant General Surgeon, Gleneagles Medical Centre

- **Mount Elizabeth Hospital / Singapore General Hospital (MEH/SGH) Collaboration in Robotic Prostatectomy**

Dr Tan Eng Choon
Consultant Urologist, Mt Elizabeth Medical Centre

- **Two-year Experience with Robot-assisted Laparoscopic Radical Prostatectomy in Singapore General Hospital**

Dr Christopher Cheng
Head and Senior Consultant, Department of Urology, Singapore General Hospital

Symposium 6

Head & Neck Cancer Surgery

Chairperson: Dr Luke Tan

- **En Bloc Resection of the Temporal Bone for Cancer**

Dr Mark Khoo
Consultant Surgeon, Dept of Otolaryngology, Tan Tock Seng Hospital

- **Surgery for Nasopharyngeal Tumours**

Dr Thomas Loh
Assistant Prof & Consultant Surgeon, Dept of Otolaryngology (Head and Neck Surgery), National University Hospital / National University of Singapore

- **Surgery for Anterior Cranial Base Tumours**

Clin A/Prof Christopher Goh
Head and Senior Consultant, Dept of Otolaryngology, Singapore General Hospital

- **Posterolateral Skull Base Surgery**

Dr Prepageran Narayanan
Consultant, Dept of Otolaryngology (Head & Neck Surgery), Universiti Malaya Medical Centre, Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia

- **Surgery for Thyroid Tumours**

A/Prof Luke Tan
Head and Senior Consultant, Dept of Otolaryngology, Head and Neck Surgery, National University Hospital / National University of Singapore

Symposium 7

Twenty Years Of Hand Surgery In Singapore

Chairpersons: Dr Aymeric Lim / Dr Agnes Tan

- **Evolution and Development of Microsurgery in Singapore**

Prof Tan Ser Kiat
Group Chief Executive Officer, Singapore Health Services Pte Ltd and Chief Executive Officer, Singapore General Hospital

- **Evolution in Management of Hand Fractures**

Prof Teoh Lam Chuan
Senior Consultant & Advisor, Dept of Hand Surgery, Singapore General Hospital

- **Observation in Tumour Surgery (Hand and Upper Extremity)**

Prof Robert Pho
Senior Consultant, Department of Hand & Reconstructive Microsurgery, National University Hospital

Symposium 8

Minimally Invasive Neurosurgery Unnecessary Dream... Or Impending Reality?

Chairpersons: Dr Chumpon Chan / Dr Peter Hwang

- **Endoscopic Pituitary Surgery**

Dr Alvin Hong
Consultant Neurosurgeon, Mount Elizabeth and Gleneagles Hospitals

- **Single-port Endoscopic Thoracic Sympathectomy for Palmar Hyperhidrosis**

Dr Ivan Ng
Head, Dept of Neurosurgery, National Neuroscience Institute

- **Deep Brain Stimulation**

Dr John Thomas
Head & Senior Consultant, Dept of Neurosurgery, Singapore General Hospital

- **Paediatric Neuroendoscopy**

Dr Ang Beng Ti
Registrar, Dept of Neurosurgery, National Neuroscience Institute

- **Gamma Knife Radiosurgery: Indications**

Dr Yeo Tseng Tsai
Senior Consultant, Dept of Neurosurgery, National Neuroscience Institute

Panel Discussion

Symposium 9**Recent Advances In The Management Of Pancreatic Tumour**

Chairperson: Dr Soo Khee Chee / Dr Tay Khoon Hean

- **Current Status of Genetics in Pancreatic Tumour**
Prof Kon Oi Lian
Head, Division of Medical Sciences, National Cancer Centre
- **Role of Chemotherapy for Pancreatic Tumour**
Dr Koo Wen Hsin
Head, Dept of Medical Oncology, National Cancer Centre
- **Advances in the Imaging for Pancreatic Tumour**
Dr Thng Choon Hua
Consultant, Dept of Oncologic Imaging, National Cancer Centre
- **Current Surgical Management for Pancreatic Malignancy**
Prof John Isaac
Chief, Dept of Surgery, National University Hospital

Panel Discussion

INAUGURAL COLLEGE OF SURGEONS, SINGAPORE LECTURE

Prof K Satku, Director of Medical Services, Ministry of Health, Singapore delivered the lecture entitled "Of Role and Role Model" on 2 July 2005 at the 39th Singapore-Malaysia Congress of Medicine held at the Grant Hyatt Singapore and chaired by Dr Colin Song.

10TH YAHYA COHEN MEMORIAL LECTURESHIP

Dr Hsu Pon Poh, Consultant of Dept of Otorlarynogology, Changi General Hospital delivered the lecture on "Clinical Predictors in Obstructive Sleep Apnea Patients with Computer-Assisted Quantitative Videoendoscopic Upper Airway Analysis" on 3 July 2005 at the 39th Singapore-Malaysia Congress of Medicine held at the Grant Hyatt Singapore and chaired by A/Prof Luke Tan.

MMED – CLINICAL SURGERY COURSE

The first MMed Course in Clinical Surgery was organised by the College in collaboration with Division of Graduate Medical Studies, National University of Singapore from 25 July 2005 to 6 August 2005 at York Hotel where the morning lectures and discussions were conducted. The clinical sessions were arranged in the afternoon at the various hospitals: Singapore General Hospital, National University Hospital, Tan Tock Seng Hospital, Changi General Hospital and KK Hospital.

A total of 40 participants and 29 faculty members took part in the course convened by A/P London Lucien Ooi. The lectures conducted were:

Pathology for Surgeons	A/P Tan Puay Hoon
Understanding Imaging	Dr Thng Choon Hua

Principles of Anaesthesia & Pain Relief	Dr Yeo Sow Nam
Interventional Radiology	Dr Tan Bien Soo
Principles of Antibiotic Use	Dr Tan Ban Hock
Endoscopy/laparoscopy and other advances	Dr Cheah Wei Keat
Principles of Critical Care	Dr Chee Huei Leng
Nutrition for Surgeons	Dr Ong Hock Soo
Burns Management	Dr Colin Song
Principles of Chemotherapy	Dr Koo Wen Hsin
Principles of Radiotherapy	Dr Joseph Wee
Neurosurgery by	Dr Ivan Ng
Skin Conditions	Dr Jane Lim
Principles of flaps & Reconstruction	Dr Tan Bien Keem
Thoracic Surgery	Dr Koong Heng Nung
PET Imaging	Dr Anthony Goh
Paediatric Surgery	Dr Anette Jacobsen
Principles of Palliative Care	Dr Cynthia Goh
Principles of Surgical Oncology	A/P London Lucien Ooi
Cancer Screening	Dr Peter Ang

Discussion Topics conducted were:

Overview of Trauma & Acute Abdomen	Dr Allen Yeo
Overview of Small & Large Bowel Disorders	Dr Eu Kong Weng
Overview of Breast Disorders	Dr Ho Gay Hui
Overview of Upper GI Disorders including Oesophagus, Stomach & Duodenum	Dr Wong Wai Keong
Overview of Pancreatic Disorders	A/P London Lucien Ooi
Overview of Liver Disorders	Dr Pierce Chow
Overview of Urological Conditions	A/P Christopher Cheng
Overview of Head & Neck Conditions	A/P Luke Tan
Principles of Transplantation	Dr Kenneth Mak
Overview of Vascular Surgery	Dr Chia Kok Hoong

CONTINUING MEDICAL EDUCATION

Mr Jaroslav F Stark, Honorary Senior Lecturer, Institute of Child Health London and Past President, European Association of Cardiothoracic Surgery shared on "Monitoring Surgeons' Performance – Lessons Learnt from Bristol" on Friday, 21 October 2005 at Tan Tock Seng Hospital and chaired by Dr Saw Huat Seong.

ANNUAL SUBSCRIPTION TO THE COLLEGE

Fellows from the former Chapter of Surgeons were automatically transferred to the College of Surgeons upon fulfilling their pledge to the Building Fund including full settlement of the Academy's annual subscription. The Council of the Academy

of Medicine, Singapore has given the approval that 25% of the annual subscription received from each Fellow (who has completed their full payment of both the Building Fund and Annual Subscription) be transferred to the College. As at 31 December 2005, about 87 fellows have not been transferred to the College due to their arrears related to the Building Fund or/and Annual Subscription. For Fellows who are still in arrears, we would like to encourage them to settle their arrears.

APPRECIATION

The College wishes to record its appreciation to the interim Council for all the preparatory work done as well as present and new Fellows for their support and efforts rendered. The College Council looks forward to your ongoing support for new projects.

December 2005
Dr Prema Raj Jeyaraj
Honorary Secretary
College of Surgeons, Singapore

Academy of Medicine, Singapore

Secretariat Staff 2005



Standing (left to right):

Ms Sharon Loo (Project Executive), Ms Lynette Koh (Editorial Assistant), Ms Lee Jin Jin (Executive), Ms Clarissa Lee (Project Executive), Mr Daniel Goh (Accountant), Mr Tjan Wen Jie (Project Executive), Mr Cheong Kah Seng (Project Executive), Mr Mohd Zaid bin Zakaria (Despatch Clerk), Ms Kwek Hwee Buay (Part-time Administrative Assistant), Ms Liz Lee (Accounts & HR Assistant), Ms Pamela Hwee (Project Executive)

Seated (left to right):

Ms Shanita Nadarajan (Administrative Assistant), Ms Sheila Ng (Head, Publications Division & Senior Editorial Executive), Ms Sophia Wong (Chief Administrator), Ms Yong Bee Choon (Senior Editorial Executive), Ms Koh Ai Ling (Project Executive)

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ACADEMY OF MEDICINE, SINGAPORE

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REPORT OF THE COUNCIL MEMBERS

The Council Members have pleasure in presenting their report together with the audited financial statements of the Academy for the financial year ended 31st December 2005.

As the Company is limited by guarantee, the Council Members consider it less applicable to report on the matters to be disclosed under Section 201 (6)(e), (f), (g) and (h), Section 201 (11) and (12) of the Singapore Companies Act.

Council Members

The Council Members at the date of this report are :-

Master	:	Dr Low Cheng Hock
Master Elect	:	Dr Ho Lai Yun
Assistant Master	:	Dr Fock Kwong Ming
Scribe	:	Dr Christopher H K Goh
Assistant Bursar	:	Dr Tan Bien Soo
Censor-in-Chief	:	Dr Tan Kok Chai
Censors	:	Dr Chen Fun Gee Dr Gilbert S C Chiang Dr George S H Yeo Dr Lim Shun Ping Dr Aziz Nather
Editor, <i>Annals</i>	:	Dr Vernon Oh Min-Sen
Chapter Chairmen/ Chairpersons	:	Dr Chan Siew Luen (Chairman, Chapter of Dental Surgeons) Dr Tan Ai Ling (Chairperson, Chapter of Pathologists) Dr Yap Hwa Ling (Chairperson, Chapter of Psychiatrists) Dr Jeffery Lawrence Cutter (Chairman, Chapter of Public Health & Occupational Physicians)
College Presidents	:	Dr Edward Pang (President, College of Anaesthesiologists, Singapore) Dr Ho Tew Hong (President, College of Obstetricians and Gynaecologists, Singapore) Dr Quak Seng Hock (President, College of Paediatrics and Child Health, Singapore) Dr Lim Shih Hui (President, College of Physicians, Singapore) Dr Tan Kim Ping (President, College of Radiologists, Singapore) Dr Anthony Heng (President, College of Surgeons, Singapore)

Council Members' contractual benefits

Since the end of the previous financial year, no Council Member has received or become entitled to receive benefits by reason of a contract made by the Academy or a related corporation with the Council Member or with a firm of which he is a member or with a company in which he has a substantial financial interest.

Auditors

G. S. Tan & Co., Certified Public Accountants, have indicated that they do not wish to seek re-appointment as auditors.

**For and on behalf of the
Council Members**

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STATEMENT BY COUNCIL MEMBERS

In the opinion of the Council Members, the financial statements set out on pages 5 to 16 are drawn up so as to give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the Academy at 31st December 2005, the results of the business, the changes in equity and the cash flows for the financial year then ended, and at the date of this statement there are reasonable grounds to believe that the Academy will be able to pay its debts as and when they fall due.

**Signed on behalf of the
Council Members**

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**AUDITORS' REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF
ACADEMY OF MEDICINE, SINGAPORE**

We have audited the financial statements of Academy of Medicine, Singapore for the financial year ended 31st December 2005 as set out on pages 5 to 16. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Academy's Council Members. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with Singapore Standards on Auditing. Those Standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by the Council Members, as well as evaluating the overall financial statements presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion,

- (a) the financial statements of the Academy are properly drawn up in accordance with the provisions of the Companies Act, Cap. 50 (the "Act") and Singapore Financial Reporting Standards so as to give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the Academy as at 31st December 2005 and the results, changes in equity and the cash flows of the Academy for the year ended on that date; and
- (b) the accounting and other records (excluding registers) required by the Act to be kept by the Academy have been properly kept in accordance with the provisions of the Act.

G. S. TAN & CO.
CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS

Singapore: 10th February 2006

ACADEMY OF MEDICINE, SINGAPORE

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(Company Registration No. 197702012E)

BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31ST DECEMBER 2005

	<u>Note</u>	<u>2005</u> S\$	<u>2004</u> S\$
FIXED ASSETS	3	3,026,745	3,004,996
CURRENT ASSETS			
Cash at bank and on hand		2,505,327	3,054,069
Fixed deposits with financial institutions		5,848,766	6,048,989
Members' subscriptions	4	80,250	71,400
Other debtors & prepayments	5	22,231	10,411
Inventories	6	13,127	16,806
		8,469,701	9,201,675
LESS: CURRENT LIABILITIES			
Other creditors & accruals	7	244,942	1,203,564
Subscriptions received in advance		110	3,210
		245,052	1,206,774
NET CURRENT ASSETS		8,224,649	7,994,901
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		11,251,394	10,999,897
		=====	=====
Represented by:			
Accumulated Surplus		1,609,555	1,548,127
Building & Endowment Fund	8	6,274,086	6,150,042
Specific Funds	9	3,301,504	3,233,597
Chapter Funds	10	66,249	68,131
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		11,251,394	10,999,897
		=====	=====

The accompanying notes form an integral part of these accounts.

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INCOME & EXPENDITURE STATEMENT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2005

	<u>Note</u>	<u>2005</u> S\$	<u>2004</u> S\$
Revenue	11	1,013,810	1,283,834
Less: Staff costs	12	(699,584)	(833,278)
Depreciation	3 (c)	(17,543)	(36,531)
Other operating expenses		(204,563)	(224,834)
		-----	-----
Operating surplus	13	92,120	189,191
Taxation	14	--	--
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Net surplus after tax transferred to revenue reserves		92,120	189,191
		=====	=====

The accompanying notes form an integral part of these accounts.

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN MEMBERS' EQUITY

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2005

	Accumulated Surplus S\$	Building & Endowment Fund S\$	Specific Funds S\$	Chapter Funds S\$	Total S\$
Balance at 1 January 2004	1,358,936	6,220,866	4,389,765	50,438	12,020,005
Net surplus for the year	189,191	--	--	--	189,191
Net increase/(decrease) for the year	--	(70,824)	(13,191)	100,560	16,545
Transfers from specific Funds/Chapter Funds which are included as income in the respective accounts :					
- Accumulated Surplus	--	--	(159,508)	--	(159,508)
- Chapter Funds	--	--	(108,933)	--	(108,933)
- Colleges	--	--	(874,536)	(82,867)	(957,403)
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Balance at 31 December 2004	1,548,127	6,150,042	3,233,597	68,131	10,999,897
- reclassification of amount	(30,692)	--	30,692	--	--
	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
Balance at 1 January 2005 as restated	1,517,435	6,150,042	3,264,289	68,131	10,999,897
Net surplus for the year	92,120	--	--	--	92,120
Net increase / (decrease) for the year	--	124,044	37,215	(1,882)	159,377
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Balance at 31 December 2005	1,609,555	6,274,086	3,301,504	66,249	11,251,394
	=====	=====	=====	=====	=====

The accompanying notes form an integral part of these accounts.

ACADEMY OF MEDICINE, SINGAPORE

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STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2005

	<u>Note</u>	<u>2005</u>	<u>2004</u>
		S\$	S\$
Cash Flows from Operating Activities			
Net surplus for the year		92,120	189,191
Net (decrease) / increase in Building & Endowment Fund		124,044	(70,824)
Net (decrease) / increase in Specific Funds		37,215	(1,156,168)
Net (decrease) / increase in Chapter Funds		(1,882)	17,693
Adjustments for:			
Depreciation of fixed assets		80,198	93,774
Interest income		(90,856)	(42,106)
Fixed assets written off		7,297	--
Prior year adjustment		--	(30,000)
Provision for impairment in value of freehold property		--	120,000
		-----	-----
Operating cash flows before working capital changes		248,136	(878,440)
Changes in operating assets and liabilities:			
Receivables		(8,850)	2,069
Inventories		3,679	1,822
Other debtors & prepayments		17,693	260,064
Creditors and accruals		(958,622)	1,087,949
Subscriptions received in advance		(3,100)	(1,900)
		-----	-----
Net cash (used in)/ generated from operating activities		(701,064)	471,564
		-----	-----
Cash flows from investing activities			
Purchase of fixed assets		(109,244)	(25,708)
Interest income received		61,343	22,130
		-----	-----
Net cash used in investing activities		(47,901)	(3,578)
		-----	-----
Net (decrease)/increase in cash held		(748,965)	467,986
Cash at beginning of the year		9,103,058	8,635,072
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Cash at end of the year		8,354,093	9,103,058
		=====	=====
Cash comprises:-			
Cash at bank and on hand		2,505,327	3,054,069
Fixed deposits with financial institutions		5,848,766	6,048,989
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		8,354,093	9,103,058
		=====	=====

ACADEMY OF MEDICINE, SINGAPORE

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NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS - 31ST DECEMBER 2005

These notes form an integral part of and should be read in conjunction with the accompanying accounts.

1. GENERAL INFORMATION

Academy of Medicine, Singapore (the “Academy”) is registered and domiciled in Singapore with its registered office and principal place of business at 142 Neil Road, Runme Shaw Building, Singapore 088871.

The principal activities of the Academy 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.

The financial statements were authorised for issue on 10th February 2006 by the Council Members.

2. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

2.1 Basis of Financial Statements Preparation

The financial statements, expressed in Singapore dollars, are prepared in accordance with Singapore Financial Reporting Standards as required by the Companies Act.

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention.

2.2 Fixed Assets and Depreciation

Fixed assets are stated at cost of purchase less accumulated depreciation and provision for impairment loss.

No depreciation is charged on freehold land as the Council Members consider that the economic life and residual value of freehold land are such that depreciation is not significant. However, where in the opinion of the Council Members and based on independent professional valuation, such value has been impaired, an allowance for impairment loss would be made.

Depreciation is calculated on a straight-line basis to write off the cost of other fixed assets over their estimated useful lives. The estimated useful lives are as follows:

Building	50 years
Office furniture, fittings and equipment	5 – 10 years
Computers	3 years

2.3 Revenue Recognition

Income from members’ subscriptions is recognised as revenue at the time when the subscriptions become due and payable.

Revenue from specialist training fees and secretarial fees are recognised on an accrual basis.

Revenue from entrance fees is recognised when members are accepted and elected by the Academy’s Council.

Operating grants are recognised on a cash basis.

Interest income is recognised on an accrual basis.

2. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

2.4 Income Tax

The Academy has been granted tax-exempt status as a charitable institution. The tax-exempt status is subject to the Academy's compliance with provisions of the Singapore Income Tax Act and agreement by the Comptroller of Income Tax.

2.5 Receivables

Receivables are carried at anticipated realisable value. An estimate is made for doubtful debts based on a review of all outstanding amounts at year end. Bad debts are written off in the financial year in which they are identified.

2.6 Inventories

Inventories, comprising medals, ties and plaques held for resale, are stated at the lower of cost and net realisable value. Cost is determined by the first-in, first-out (FIFO) method. Cost of inventories comprises purchase cost. Net realisable value is the estimate of the selling price in the ordinary course of business.

Allowance is made where necessary for obsolete, slow-moving and defective inventories.

2.7 Building & Endowment Fund

The Building & Endowment Fund (formerly known as the Building Fund) was set up to finance the construction and maintenance of the Academy's main office premises.

Funds received for such purpose are credited to the Building & Endowment Fund. Interest earned from funds deposited with financial institutions is recognised on an accrual basis and credited to the Building & Endowment Fund. Depreciation of fixed assets financed by the Building & Endowment Fund is transferred to and matched against the Building & Endowment Fund for the financial year in which depreciation is charged. Provision for impairment loss on freehold land and building is adjusted to the Building & Endowment Fund.

2.8 Specific Funds

The Specific Funds were set up to finance the Academy's principal activities.

Funds received from donations, registration fees, trade exhibitions, grants and other earmarked receipts for such activities are credited to their individual accounts accordingly. Interest earned from funds deposited with financial institutions is recognised on an accrual basis and credited to the respective funds. Expenditure incurred in the promotion of activities financed by the Specific Funds are debited to their respective accounts.

2.9 Chapter Funds

The Chapter Funds were set up to support continuing educational activities.

Funds received from donations, registration fees, trade exhibitions and other earmarked receipts for such activities are credited to their individual accounts accordingly. Expenditure incurred on such activities are debited to their respective accounts.

3. FIXED ASSETS

(a)

	Freehold Land S\$	Building S\$	Office furniture, fittings & Equipment S\$	Computers S\$	Total S\$
<u>Cost</u>					
At 1.1.05	3,000,000	1,303,017	319,738	46,210	4,668,965
Additions	--	--	65,647	43,597	109,244
Disposals	--	--	(9,329)	(9,040)	(18,369)
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At 31.12.05	3,000,000	1,303,017	376,056	80,767	4,759,840
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3. FIXED ASSETS (Continued)

(a)

	Freehold Land S\$	Building S\$	Office furniture, fittings & Equipment S\$	Computers S\$	Total S\$
<u>Depreciation</u>					
At 1.1.05	--	98,579	167,007	28,383	293,969
Charge for the year	--	26,649	29,879	23,670	80,198
Disposals	--	--	(3,252)	(7,820)	(11,072)
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At 31.12.05	--	125,228	193,634	44,233	363,095
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<u>Allowance for Impairment loss</u>					
At 1.1.05 and 31.12.05	1,070,000	300,000	--	--	1,370,000
	=====	=====	=====	=====	=====
<u>Net book value</u>					
At 31.12.05	1,930,000	877,789	182,422	36,534	3,026,745
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At 31.12.04	1,930,000	904,438	152,731	17,827	3,004,996
	=====	=====	=====	=====	=====

(b) Depreciation was charged to the following accounts:

	<u>2005</u> S\$	<u>2004</u> S\$
<u>Income and expenditure statement</u>		
- Depreciation of office furniture, fittings and equipment	3,694	23,314
- Depreciation of computers	13,849	13,217
	17,543	36,531
<u>Building & Endowment Fund</u>		
- Depreciation of building	26,649	26,649
- Depreciation of office furniture, fittings and equipment	20,658	22,024
	47,307	48,673
<u>Specific Funds</u>		
- Depreciation of office furniture, fittings and equipment	7,541	1,250
- Depreciation of computers	7,807	7,320
	15,348	8,570
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	80,198	93,774
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(c) The freehold land and building were independently valued at S\$1,930,000 and S\$920,000 respectively by a firm of professional valuers in December 2004.

4. MEMBERS' SUBSCRIPTIONS

	<u>2005</u> S\$	<u>2004</u> S\$
Members' subscriptions	327,750	210,425
Less: Allowance for doubtful debts	(247,500)	(139,025)
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	80,250	71,400
	=====	=====
Movements in above allowance:-		
Balance at beginning of the year	139,025	190,950
Allowance made during the year	247,500	31,500
Allowance written back during the year	--	(83,425)
Bad debts written off against allowance	(139,025)	--
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Balance at end of the year	247,500	139,025
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5. OTHER DEBTORS & PREPAYMENTS

	<u>2005</u> S\$	<u>2004</u> S\$
Other debtors	20,638	8,561
Prepayments	--	1,850
Deposits	1,593	--
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	22,231	10,411
	=====	=====

6. INVENTORIES

	<u>2005</u> S\$	<u>2004</u> S\$
Finished goods	33,270	39,121
Less: Allowance for obsolescence	(20,143)	(22,315)
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	13,127	16,806
	=====	=====
Comprising items which are stated:		
At cost	2,228	14,563
At net realisable value	10,899	2,243
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	13,127	16,806
	=====	=====
Movements in above allowance:-		
Balance at beginning of the year	22,315	26,397
Allowance written back	(2,172)	(4,082)
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Balance at end of the year	20,143	22,315
	=====	=====

7. OTHER CREDITORS & ACCRUALS

	<u>2005</u> S\$	<u>2004</u> S\$
Other creditors	159,796	181,717
Accruals	76,221	66,534
Amount owing to Colleges	8,925	961,313
	-----	-----
	244,942	1,203,564
	=====	=====

8. BUILDING & ENDOWMENT FUND

	<u>2005</u> S\$	<u>2004</u> S\$
Donations	150,800	136,200
Interest income from deposits with banks	38,552	12,239
Interest accrued	10,708	2,596
	-----	-----
	200,060	151,035
Less: Depreciation of fixed assets	(47,307)	(48,673)
Other expenses	(28,709)	(53,186)
Allowance for impairment loss on freehold land and building (Note 3(b))	--	(120,000)
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Net decrease / (increase) for the year	124,044	(70,824)
Balance at beginning of the year	6,150,042	6,220,866
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Balance at end of the year	6,274,086	6,150,042
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Represented by:		
Fixed deposits with financial institutions	3,211,729	2,361,935
Accrued interest income	10,708	2,596
Fixed assets	2,911,080	2,958,386
Amount owing by Accumulated Surplus	140,569	827,125
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	6,274,086	6,150,042
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9. SPECIFIC FUNDS

	<u>2005</u> S\$	<u>2004</u> S\$
Donations received	90,000	188,600
Registration fees	566,502	599,108
Interest income from deposits with banks	19,897	27,271
Operating grant from a government organisation	344,548	85,741
Trade exhibitions	56,133	346,645
Other income	207,500	340,925
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	1,284,580	1,588,290

9. SPECIFIC FUNDS (Continued)

	<u>2005</u> S\$	<u>2004</u> S\$
Less: Staff costs	141,012	2,566
Depreciation of fixed assets	15,348	8,570
Secretarial fees	5,300	22,400
Allowance for doubtful debts – other debtors	--	6,697
Other expenses	1,085,705	1,561,248
	(1,247,365)	(1,601,481)
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Net (decrease) / increase for the year	37,215	(13,191)
Less: Transfer to Accumulated Surplus (current year income)	--	(159,508)
Transfer to Chapter funds	--	(108,933)
Transfer to Colleges	--	(874,536)
Transfer from Accumulated Surplus (reclassification)	30,692	--
Balance at beginning of the year	3,233,597	4,389,765
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Balance at end of the year	3,301,504	3,233,597
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Represented by:		
Accrued interest income	6,438	16,619
Amount owing by Accumulated Surplus	47,778	(300,247)
Cash at bank and on hand	997,254	858,780
Fixed assets	87,927	10,224
Fixed deposits with financial institutions	2,187,269	3,667,838
Other debtors	15,300	360
Sundry creditors	(40,462)	(1,019,977)
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	3,301,504	3,233,597
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10. CHAPTER FUNDS

	<u>2005</u> S\$	<u>2004</u> S\$
Donations & sponsorships	260	43,886
Registration fees	--	26,808
Other income	2,168	7,244
Profit sharing transferred from Specific Funds	--	108,934
	2,428	186,872
Less: Operating expenses	(4,310)	(86,312)
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Net increase / (decrease) for the year	(1,882)	100,560
Transfer to Colleges	--	(82,867)
Balance at beginning of the year	68,131	50,438
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Balance at end of the year	66,249	68,131
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11. REVENUE

	<u>2005</u> S\$	<u>2004</u> S\$
Accrued interest income	18,805	--
Entrance fees	51,300	43,000
Income from events transferred from Specific Funds	186,249	161,196
Interest income	2,894	--
Miscellaneous income	830	21,762
Provision for doubtful debts written back	31,475	76,150
Sale of Inventory	8,559	5,237
Secretariat fees	18,900	22,400
Specialist training fees	8,690	191,040
Subscriptions	686,108	763,049
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	1,013,810	1,283,834
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12. STAFF COSTS

	<u>2005</u> S\$	<u>2004</u> S\$
Wages, salaries & other personnel costs	632,943	741,675
Employer's contribution to Central Provident Fund	66,641	91,603
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	699,584	833,278
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13. OPERATING SURPLUS, BUILDING & ENDOWMENT FUND AND SPECIFIC FUNDS

<u>2005</u>	Income & Expenditure Account S\$	Building & Endowment Fund S\$	Specific Funds S\$	Total S\$
The following items were charged/ (credited) to the respective accounts:				
Allowance for doubtful debts				
- members' subscriptions	247,500	--	--	247,500
Bad trade debts written off	3,910	--	--	3,910
Fixed assets written off	--	--	7,297	7,297
Interest income from deposits with banks	(21,699)	(49,260)	(19,897)	(90,856)
<u>2004</u>	Income & Expenditure Account S\$	Building & Endowment Fund S\$	Specific Funds S\$	Total S\$
The following items were charged/ (credited) to the respective accounts:				
Allowance for doubtful debts				
- members' subscriptions	31,500	--	--	31,500
Bad trade debts written off	1,230	--	6,697	7,927
Allowance for inventories obsolescence	22,315	--	--	22,315
Interest income from deposits with banks	--	(14,835)	(27,271)	(42,106)

14. INCOME TAX

The Academy is assessed as a charitable institution under Section 13M of the Singapore Income Tax Act. The Academy is exempt from income tax if it applies, in any tax year of assessment, not less than 80% of its income on charitable objects within Singapore by the end of the following financial year.

In the opinion of the Academy's Council Members, no provision for income tax is necessary at the end of the current financial year as the Academy is able to fulfil the conditions required to qualify for income tax exemption.

15. FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT

The Academy's activities expose it to mainly credit risk, interest rate risk and liquidity risk. The Academy's results and operating cash flows are substantially independent of changes in market interest rates.

Risk management is carried out under policies approved by the Council Members. The Council Members provide guidelines for overall risk management, as well as policies covering specific areas.

(i) Credit risk

Credit risk arises from exposure to amounts due from members and other debtors. The Academy has no significant concentration of credit risk arising from any single debtor. Credit risk arising from the inability of debtors to settle debts is generally limited to the amounts so reflected in the Academy's receivables.

(ii) Interest rate risk

The Academy's significant interest-bearing assets are fixed deposits with financial institutions. Interest rates are monitored so as to secure favourable rates.

(iii) Liquidity risk

Prudent liquidity risk management implies maintaining sufficient cash and the availability of funding through donations, grants and other receipts. The Academy monitors its cash resources closely and maintains sufficient cash for its operations.

16. FAIR VALUES

The carrying amounts of the Academy's financial assets and liabilities approximate their fair values.

SPECIFIC FUNDS

	GORDAN ARTHER RANSOME ORATION	SIR DAVID GALLOWAY MEMORIAL	RUNME SHAW LECTURE	COMMON FUND FOR ADVANCEMENT OF MEDICINE	SEAH CHENG SIANG MEMORIAL FUND	HEAD & NECK CANCER SURGERY	DENTAL ADVANCED SPECIALISTS TRAINING	DISTANCE LEARNING PROGRAMME	ANNALS	14 TH GSM CHAPTER OF ANAESTH 2004
Balance as at 1 January 2005	4,383	3,724	100,884	337,175	1,290,423	26,849	10,983	25,800	676,907	6,944
Add : Reclassification of amount										
	4,383	3,724	100,884	337,175	1,290,423	26,849	10,983	25,800	676,907	6,944
INCOME:										
Advertisement	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	7,800	-
Donations	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	20,000	-
FRCSE Exam - General Surgery	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
FRCSE Exam - Ortho Surgery	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Interest Received	34	12	1,202	3,108	5,728	116	-	-	1,602	-
Interest Accrued	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6,438	-
Operating Grants	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Registration Fees	-	-	-	-	-	-	100	-	-	-
Sponsorship / Other Contributions	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Subscriptions	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5,588	-
Trade Exhibition	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other Income	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	50,952	-
TOTAL INCOME	34	12	1,202	3,108	5,728	116	100	-	92,380	-
EXPENSES:										
Airfares	-	-	3,867	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Accommodation	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Awards / Grants	-	-	-	13,301	-	-	-	-	-	1,000
Bank Charges	-	-	67	-	-	-	-	-	338	-
Cleaning Expenses	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Depreciation	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2,250	-
Donations	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Entertainment	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Equipment Hire Expenses	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Fixed Assets Written Off	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
FRCSE Exam - General Surgery	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
FRCSE Exam - Ortho Surgery	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Honorarium	-	-	5,000	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
IT Expenses	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	7,350	8,483	-
Maintenance exp	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	578	-
Manpower	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Postage	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3,413	-
Printing & Stationery Supplies	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	75,111	-
Professional services	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5,125	-
Profit Sharing	-	-	-	-	-	26,965	-	-	-	1,755
Bad debts written-off	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Refreshment / Lunch / Dinner	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	709	3,530
Secreterial Services	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Satchels / Souvenirs / Lucky Draw Prizes	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	588
Telecommunication Charges	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Trade Exhibition / Workshop Expenses	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Transport / Courier Services	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	807	71
Venue & Meeting Packages	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other Expenses	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	503	-
TOTAL EXPENSES	-	-	8,934	13,301	-	26,965	-	7,350	97,317	6,945
SURPLUS / (DEFICITS)	34	12	(7,732)	(10,193)	5,728	(26,848)	100	(7,350)	(4,936)	(6,945)
BALANCE C/F (31 DEC 2005)	4,417	3,736	93,152	326,982	1,296,150	-	11,083	18,450	671,970	-
REPRESENTED BY:										
Amount owing By / (To) Accumulated Surplus	-	-	353	(1,677)	-	-	-	-	17,651	-
Fixed Deposits with Financial Institutions	-	-	80,000	300,000	1,232,822	-	-	-	574,447	-
Interest Accrued	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6,438	-
Cash & Bank Balances	4,417	3,736	12,799	28,659	63,328	-	11,083	18,450	56,196	-
Fixed Assets	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2,200	-
Sundry Debtors	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	15,300	-

SPECIFIC FUNDS

	APSAL 2000	8TH ICCPRA 1997	11TH ASEAN CONGRSS OF PLASTIC SURGERY FEB 2002	18TH AAPS OCT 2002	CASEMIX 2004	FRCS EXAM	15TH ASM CHAPTER OF PATHOLOGISTS	14TH SRS ASM 2005	FIRST SINGAPORE PUBLIC HEALTH CONFERENCE 2005	39TH SINGAPORE MALAYSIAN CONGRESS OF MEDICINE
Balance as at 1 January 2005	195,397	200,895	139,154	(32,218)	30,958	29,162	4,830	16,392	(97)	(25,296)
Add : Reclassification of amount										
	195,397	200,895	139,154	(32,218)	30,958	29,162	4,830	16,392	(97)	(25,296)
INCOME:										
Advertisement	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	11,000
Donations	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5,000	10,000	45,000
FRCSE Exam - General Surgery	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
FRCSE Exam - Ortho Surgery	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Interest Received	-	367	1,204	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Interest Accrued	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Operating Grants	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Registration Fees	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	28,181	19,080	99,596
Sponsorship / Other Contributions	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	12,500	8,750	55,905
Subscriptions	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Trade Exhibition	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	8,000	1,000	47,133
Other Income	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	120	-
TOTAL INCOME	-	367	1,204	-	-	-	-	53,681	38,950	258,634
EXPENSES:										
Airfares	-	-	-	-	-	12,123	-	20,866	-	3,870
Accommodation	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3,644	-	5,244
Awards / Grants	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2,250	500	1,000
Bank Charges	-	20	20	-	-	20	-	151	13	1,577
Cleaning Expenses	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Depreciation	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Donations	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Entertainment	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Equipment Hire Expenses	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,680	12,359
Fixed Assets Written Off	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
FRCSE Exam - General Surgery	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
FRCSE Exam - Ortho Surgery	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Honorarium	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
IT Expenses	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	900
Maintenance exp	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Manpower	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,485	640	1,715
Postage	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,972	1,122	1,511
Printing & Stationery Supplies	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	7,463	3,835	18,026
Professional services	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Profit Sharing	-	201,242	140,338	-	30,958	16,808	4,796	-	-	70,220
Bad debts written-off	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Refreshment / Lunch / Dinner	-	-	-	-	-	168	-	22,823	221	4,037
Secreterial Services	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5,000	-	-
Satchels / Souvenirs / Lucky Draw Prizes	-	-	-	-	-	43	-	7,863	560	6,375
Telecommunication Charges	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Trade Exhibition / Workshop Expenses	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2,456	-	4,920
Transport / Courier Services	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,298	453	2,520
Venue & Meeting Packages	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	17,133	93,955
Other Expenses	-	-	-	-	-	-	34	1,483	1,261	5,110
TOTAL EXPENSES	-	201,262	140,358	-	30,958	29,162	4,830	78,753	27,418	233,337
SURPLUS / (DEFICITS)	-	(200,895)	(139,154)	-	(30,958)	(29,162)	(4,830)	(25,072)	11,532	25,296
BALANCE C/F (31 DEC 2005)	195,397	-	-	(32,218)	-	-	-	(8,680)	11,435	-
REPRESENTED BY:										
Amount owing By / (To) Accumulated Surplus	53,827	-	-	(32,218)	-	-	-	(8,642)	11,435	-
Fixed Deposits with Financial Institutions	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Interest Accrued	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Cash & Bank Balances	141,570	-	-	-	-	-	-	14,962	-	-
Fixed Assets	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Sundry Debtors	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

SPECIFIC FUNDS

	IAP 2007	6TH ASIA PACIFIC CRANIOFACIAL ASSOCIATION CONFERENCE NOV 2006	8TH ANNUAL MTG OF ASIA PACIFIC ASSN OF PAEDIATRIC UROLOGISTS	TOTAL (WITHOUT JCST)	JOINT COMMITTEE ON SPECIALISTS TRAINING	TOAL (WITH JCST)
Balance as at 1 January 2005	-	-	-	3,043,250	190,347	3,233,596
Add ; Reclassification of amount					30,692	30,692
	-	-	-	3,043,250	221,039	3,264,288
INCOME:						
Advertisement	-	-	-	18,800	-	18,800
Donations	10,000	-	-	90,000	-	90,000
FRCSE Exam - General Surgery	-	-	-	-	12,527	12,527
FRCSE Exam - Ortho Surgery	-	-	-	-	40,920	40,920
Interest Received	-	-	-	13,374	86	13,459
Interest Accrued	-	-	-	6,438	-	6,438
Operating Grants	-	-	-	-	344,548	344,548
Registration Fees	-	-	-	146,957	419,545	566,502
Sponsorship / Other Contributions	-	-	-	77,155	-	77,155
Subscriptions	-	-	-	5,588	-	5,588
Trade Exhibition	-	-	-	56,133	-	56,133
Other Income	-	-	-	51,072	1,438	52,510
TOTAL INCOME	10,000	-	-	465,517	819,064	1,284,580
EXPENSES:						
Airfares	-	-	-	40,725	10,799	51,524
Accommodation	-	-	-	8,888	1,876	10,764
Awards / Grants	-	-	-	18,051	-	18,051
Bank Charges	-	-	-	2,205	145	2,350
Cleaning Expenses	-	-	-	-	1,763	1,763
Depreciation	-	-	-	2,250	13,097	15,347
Donations	-	-	-	-	-	-
Entertainment	-	-	-	-	-	-
Equipment Hire Expenses	-	-	-	14,039	-	14,039
Fixed Assets Written Off	-	-	-	-	7,297	7,297
FRCSE Exam - General Surgery	-	-	-	-	1,947	1,947
FRCSE Exam - Ortho Surgery	-	-	-	-	22,848	22,848
Honorarium	-	-	-	5,000	2,800	7,800
IT Expenses	158	20	787	17,697	34,704	52,401
Maintenance exp	-	-	-	578	2,174	2,751
Manpower	-	-	-	3,839	137,173	141,012
Postage	14	-	-	8,032	1,042	9,074
Printing & Stationery Supplies	1,313	54	-	105,801	10,258	116,059
Professional services	-	-	-	5,125	75,600	80,725
Profit Sharing	-	-	-	493,083	-	493,082
Bad debts written-off	-	-	-	-	-	-
Refreshment / Lunch / Dinner	8	13	31	31,540	473	32,012
Secretarial Services	-	300	-	5,300	-	5,300
Satchels / Souvenirs / Lucky Draw Prizes	-	-	-	15,429	-	15,429
Telecommunication Charges	-	-	-	-	4,760	4,760
Trade Exhibition / Workshop Expenses	-	173	13	7,561	-	7,562
Transport / Courier Services	55	-	-	5,204	3,487	8,691
Venue & Meeting Packages	-	-	-	111,087	-	111,088
Other Expenses	15	-	-	8,406	5,281	13,687
TOTAL EXPENSES	1,561	559	830	909,841	337,522	1,247,364
SURPLUS / (DEFICITS)	8,439	(559)	(830)	(444,324)	481,541	37,216
BALANCE C/F (31 DEC 2005)	8,439	(559)	(830)	2,598,926	702,580	3,301,504
REPRESENTED BY:						
Amount owing By / (To) Accumulated Surplus	8,439	(559)	(831)	47,778	-	47,778
Fixed Deposits with Financial Institutions	-	-	-	2,187,269	-	2,187,269
Interest Accrued	-	-	-	6,438	-	6,438
Cash & Bank Balances	-	-	-	355,201	642,053	997,254
Fixed Assets	-	-	-	2,200	85,728	87,927
Sundry Debtors	-	-	-	15,300	-	15,300

ACADEMY OF MEDICINE, SINGAPORE
(Incorporated in the Republic of Singapore)
(Company Registration No. 197702012E)

ACCOUNTS AS AT 31ST DECEMBER 2005

G. S. TAN & CO.
Certified Public Accountants

COLLEGE OF ANAESTHESIOLOGISTS, SINGAPORE

(Incorporated in the Republic of Singapore)
(Company Registration No. 200410333N)

REPORT OF THE COUNCIL MEMBERS

The Council Members have pleasure in presenting their report together with the audited financial statements of the College for the financial year ended 31st December 2005.

As the Company is limited by guarantee, the Council Members consider it less applicable to report on the matters to be disclosed under Section 201 (6)(e), (f), (g) and (h) and Section 201 (11) and (12) of the Singapore Companies Act.

Council Members

The Council Members at the date of this report are :-

President : Dr. Pang Chee Ping, Edward
Vice-President / : Dr. Lim George
Honorary Treasurer
Honorary Secretary : Dr. Lai Fook Onn
Council Members : Dr. Chen Fun Gee @ Chen Edward
Dr. Kwek Tong Kiat
Dr. Lim Boon Leng

Council Members' contractual benefits

Since the end of the last financial period, no Council Member has received or become entitled to receive a benefit by reason of a contract made by the College or a related corporation with the Council Member or with a firm of which he is a member or with a company in which he has a substantial financial interest.

Auditors

G. S. Tan & Co., Certified Public Accountants, have indicated that they do not wish to seek re-appointment as auditors.

**For and on behalf of the
Council Members**

Dr Pang Chee Ping, Edward
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Singapore: 10th February 2006

COLLEGE OF ANAESTHESIOLOGISTS, SINGAPORE

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STATEMENT BY COUNCIL MEMBERS

In the opinion of the Council Members, the financial statements set out on pages 4 to 9 are drawn up so as to give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the College at 31st December 2005, the results of the business, changes in equity and cash flows for the financial year then ended, and at the date of this statement there are reasonable grounds to believe that the College will be able to pay its debts as and when they fall due.

**Signed on behalf of the
Council Members**

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**AUDITORS' REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF
COLLEGE OF ANAESTHESIOLOGISTS, SINGAPORE**

We have audited the financial statements of COLLEGE OF ANAESTHESIOLOGISTS, SINGAPORE for the financial year ended 31st December 2005 as set out on pages 4 to 9. These financial statements are the responsibility of the College's Council Members. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with Singapore Standards on Auditing. Those Standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by the Council Members, as well as evaluating the overall financial statements presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion,

- (a) the financial statements of the College are properly drawn up in accordance with the provisions of the Companies Act, Cap. 50 (the "Act") and Singapore Financial Reporting Standards so as to give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the College as at 31st December 2005 and the results, changes in equity and cash flows of the College for the year ended on that date; and
- (b) the accounting and other records (excluding registers) required by the Act to be kept by the College have been properly kept in accordance with the provisions of the Act.

**G. S. TAN & CO.
CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS**

Singapore: 10th February 2006

COLLEGE OF ANAESTHESIOLOGISTS, SINGAPORE

(Incorporated in the Republic of Singapore)

(Company Registration No. 200410333N)

BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31ST DECEMBER 2005

	<u>Note</u>	<u>2005</u> S\$	<u>2004</u> S\$
CURRENT ASSETS			
Members' subscriptions		750	--
Non-trade debtor	3	--	1,322
Cash at bank		29,198	3,000
		-----	-----
		29,948	4,322
LESS: CURRENT LIABILITIES			
Accruals		(700)	(900)
		-----	-----
NET CURRENT ASSETS		29,248	3,422
		=====	=====
Represented by:			
Accumulated Fund		29,248	3,422
		=====	=====

The accompanying notes form an integral part of these accounts.

COLLEGE OF ANAESTHESIOLOGISTS, SINGAPORE

(Incorporated in the Republic of Singapore)

(Company Registration No. 200410333N)

INCOME & EXPENDITURE STATEMENT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2005

	<u>Note</u>	<u>2005</u> S\$	<u>2004</u> S\$
Subscriptions income		12,807	3,923
Income from events		19,766	--
Less : Operating expenses		(6,747)	(4,156)
		-----	-----
Operating surplus/(deficit)		25,826	(233)
Taxation		--	--
		-----	-----
Net surplus/(deficit) after tax transferred to Accumulated Fund		25,826	(233)
		=====	=====

The accompanying notes form an integral part of these accounts.

COLLEGE OF ANAESTHESIOLOGISTS, SINGAPORE

(Incorporated in the Republic of Singapore)

(Company Registration No. 200410333N)

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN MEMBERS' EQUITY

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2005

	<u>Accumulated Fund</u>
	S\$
At 17.8.04 (date of incorporation)	--
Net deficit for the period	(233)
Transfer from Academy of Medicine, Singapore	3,655

At 31.12.04	3,422
Net surplus for the year	25,826

At 31.12.05	29,248
	=====

The accompanying notes form an integral part of these accounts.

COLLEGE OF ANAESTHESIOLOGISTS, SINGAPORE

 (Incorporated in the Republic of Singapore)
 (Company Registration No. 200410333N)

STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2005

	<u>2005</u> S\$	<u>2004</u> S\$
Cash Flows from Operating Activities		
Surplus/(Deficit) before taxation	25,826	(233)
Transfer from Academy of Medicine, Singapore	--	3,655
	-----	-----
Operating cash flow before working capital changes	25,826	3,422
Debtors	572	(1,322)
Creditors	(200)	900
	-----	-----
Cash generated from operations	26,198	3,000
	-----	-----
Increase in cash	26,198	3,000
Cash at beginning of the year	3,000	--
	-----	-----
Cash at end of the year	29,198	3,000
	=====	=====

The accompanying notes form an integral part of these accounts.

COLLEGE OF ANAESTHESIOLOGISTS, SINGAPORE

(Incorporated in the Republic of Singapore)

(Company Registration No. 200410333N)

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS - 31ST DECEMBER 2005

These notes form an integral part of and should be read in conjunction with the accompanying accounts.

1. GENERAL INFORMATION

COLLEGE OF ANAESTHESIOLOGISTS, SINGAPORE is registered and domiciled in Singapore with its registered office and principal place of business at 142 Neil Road, Runme Shaw Building, Singapore 088871.

The principal activities of the College 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.

The financial statements were authorised for issue on 10th February 2006 by the Council Members.

2. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

2.1 Basis of Financial Statements Preparation

The financial statements, expressed in Singapore dollars, are prepared in accordance with Singapore Financial Reporting Standards as required by the Companies Act.

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention.

2.2 Revenue Recognition

Income from members' subscriptions is recognised as revenue at the time when the subscriptions become due and payable.

All other income are recognised on an accrual basis.

2.3 Tax

The College has been granted tax-exempt status as a charitable institution. The tax-exempt status is subject to the College's compliance with provisions of the Singapore Income Tax Act and agreement by the Comptroller of Income Tax.

2.4 Receivables

Receivables are carried at anticipated realisable value.

3. NON-TRADE DEBTOR

This is unsecured, does not bear interest and has no fixed term of repayment.

4. OPERATING SURPLUS/(DEFICIT)

This is stated after charging :-

	2005	2004
	S\$	S\$
Audit fee	500	500

5. TAX

The College is assessed as a charitable institution under Section 13M of the Singapore Income Tax Act. The College is exempt from income tax if it applies, in any tax year of assessment, not less than 80% of its income on charitable objects within Singapore by the end of the following financial year.

In the opinion of the College's Council Members, no provision for income tax is necessary at the end of the current financial year as the College is able to fulfill the conditions required to qualify for income tax exemption.

6. FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT

The financial risk management of the College is managed by its Council Members who set the processes and policies of the College. At the balance sheet date, the College does not have any significant credit, interest rate and foreign currency risk exposure.

7. FAIR VALUES

The carrying amounts of the College's financial assets and liabilities approximate their fair values.

8. COMPARATIVE FIGURES

The comparative figures cover the period from 17th August 2004 (date of incorporation) to 31st December 2005.

COLLEGE OF ANAESTHESIOLOGISTS, SINGAPORE

(Incorporated in the Republic of Singapore)

(Company Registration No. 200410333N)

ACCOUNTS AS AT 31ST DECEMBER 2005

G. S. TAN & CO.
Certified Public Accountants

**COLLEGE OF OBSTETRICIANS AND
GYNAECOLOGISTS, SINGAPORE**

(Incorporated in the Republic of Singapore)
(Company Registration No. 200410332N)

REPORT OF THE COUNCIL MEMBERS

The Council Members have pleasure in presenting their report together with the audited financial statements of the College for the financial year ended 31st December 2005.

As the Company is limited by guarantee, the Council Members consider it less applicable to report on the matters to be disclosed under Section 201 (6)(e), (f), (g) and (h), Section 201 (11) and (12) of the Singapore Companies Act.

Council Members

The Council Members at the date of this report are :-

President : Dr. Ho Tew Hong
Vice- President : Dr. Lai Fon-Min
Honorary Secretary : Dr. Low Jen Hui, Jeffrey
Honorary Treasurer : Dr. Fong Chuan Wee, Francis
Council Members : Dr. Chang Tou Choong
Dr. Suresh Nair
Dr. Tan Sian Ann, Ann
Section Chairmen : Dr. Tay Eng Hseon (Section of Gynaecological Oncology)
Dr. Yeo Seow Heong, George (Section of Maternal Fetal Medicine)
Dr. Loh Kia Ee, Sheila (Section of Reproductive Medicine)
Dr. Ng Kwok Weng, Roy (Section of Urogynaecology)
Co-opted Members : Dr. See Tho Kai Yin
Dr. Lee Keen Whye
Dr. Christine Yap

Council Members' contractual benefits

Since the end of the last financial period, no Council Member has received or become entitled to receive a benefit by reason of a contract made by the College or a related corporation with the Council Member or with a firm of which he is a member or with a company in which he has a substantial financial interest.

Auditors

G. S. Tan & Co., Certified Public Accountants, have indicated that they do not wish to seek re-appointment as auditors.

**For and on behalf of the
Council Members**

Dr Ho Tew Hong
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Singapore: 10th February 2006

**COLLEGE OF OBSTETRICIANS AND
GYNAECOLOGISTS, SINGAPORE**

(Incorporated in the Republic of Singapore)

STATEMENT BY COUNCIL MEMBERS

In the opinion of the Council Members, the financial statements set out on pages 4 to 9 are drawn up so as to give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the College at 31st December 2005, the results of the business, changes in equity and cash flows for the financial year then ended, and at the date of this statement there are reasonable grounds to believe that the College will be able to pay its debts as and when they fall due.

**Signed on behalf of the
Council Members**

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Singapore: 10th February 2006

**AUDITORS' REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF
COLLEGE OF OBSTETRICIANS AND
GYNAECOLOGISTS, SINGAPORE**

We have audited the financial statements of COLLEGE OF OBSTETRICIANS AND GYNAECOLOGISTS, SINGAPORE for the financial year ended 31st December 2005 as set out on pages 4 to 9. These financial statements are the responsibility of the College's Council Members. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with Singapore Standards on Auditing. Those Standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by the Council Members, as well as evaluating the overall financial statements presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion,

- (a) the financial statements of the College are properly drawn up in accordance with the provisions of the Companies Act, Cap. 50 (the "Act") and Singapore Financial Reporting Standards so as to give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the College as at 31st December 2005 and the results, changes in equity and cash flows of the College for the year ended on that date; and
- (b) the accounting and other records (excluding registers) required by the Act to be kept by the College have been properly kept in accordance with the provisions of the Act.

**G. S. TAN & CO.
CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS**

Singapore: 10th February 2006

**COLLEGE OF OBSTETRICIANS AND
GYNAECOLOGISTS, SINGAPORE**

(Incorporated in the Republic of Singapore)

(Company Registration No. 200410332N)

BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31ST DECEMBER 2005

	<u>Note</u>	<u>2005</u> S\$	<u>2004</u> S\$
CURRENT ASSETS			
Stocks		3,584	--
Members' subscriptions		1,375	--
Non-trade debtor	3	--	93,658
Cash at bank & in hand		142,703	3,000
		-----	-----
		147,662	96,658
LESS: CURRENT LIABILITIES			
Accruals		(700)	(900)
		-----	-----
NET CURRENT ASSETS		146,962	95,758
		=====	=====
 Represented by:			
Accumulated Fund		67,063	51,448
Specific Funds		79,899	44,310
		-----	-----
		146,962	95,758
		=====	=====

The accompanying notes form an integral part of these accounts.

**COLLEGE OF OBSTETRICIANS AND
GYNAECOLOGISTS, SINGAPORE**

(Incorporated in the Republic of Singapore)

(Company Registration No. 200410332N)

INCOME & EXPENDITURE STATEMENT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2005

	<u>Note</u>	2005 S\$	2004 S\$
Subscriptions income		19,873	6,204
Income from events		24,456	--
Miscellaneous income		144	--
Less : Operating expenses		(28,714)	(4,166)
Staff costs		(144)	--
		-----	-----
Operating surplus	4	15,615	2,038
Taxation	5	--	--
		-----	-----
Net surplus after tax transferred to Accumulated Fund		15,615	2,038
		=====	=====

The accompanying notes form an integral part of these accounts.

**COLLEGE OF OBSTETRICIANS AND
GYNAECOLOGISTS, SINGAPORE**

(Incorporated in the Republic of Singapore)
(Company Registration No. 200410332N)

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN MEMBERS' EQUITY

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2005

	Accumulated Fund S\$	Specific Funds S\$	Total S\$
As at 17.8.04 (date of incorporation)	--	--	--
Net surplus for the period	2,038	--	2,038
Transfer from Academy of Medicine, Singapore	49,410	44,310	93,720
As at 31.12.04	51,448	44,310	95,758
Net surplus for the year	15,615	--	15,615
Movements during the year	--	35,589	35,589
As at 31.12.05	67,063	79,899	146,962
	=====	=====	=====

The accompanying notes form an integral part of these accounts.

**COLLEGE OF OBSTETRICIANS AND
GYNAECOLOGISTS, SINGAPORE**

(Incorporated in the Republic of Singapore)
(Company Registration No. 200410332N)

**STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2005**

	<u>2005</u> S\$	<u>2004</u> S\$
Cash Flows from Operating Activities		
Surplus before taxation	15,615	2,038
Transfer from Academy of Medicine, Singapore	--	93,720
Movement in specific funds	35,589	--
	-----	-----
Operating cash flows before working capital changes	51,204	95,758
Stocks	(3,584)	--
Debtors	92,283	(93,658)
Creditors	(200)	900
	-----	-----
Cash generated from operations	139,703	3,000
	=====	=====
Increase in cash	139,703	3,000
Cash at beginning of the year	3,000	--
	-----	-----
Cash at end of the year	142,703	3,000
	=====	=====

The accompanying notes form an integral part of these accounts.

**COLLEGE OF OBSTETRICIANS AND
GYNAECOLOGISTS, SINGAPORE**

(Incorporated in the Republic of Singapore)
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NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS - 31ST DECEMBER 2005

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1. GENERAL INFORMATION

COLLEGE OF OBSTETRICIANS AND GYNAECOLOGISTS, SINGAPORE is registered and domiciled in Singapore with its registered office and principal place of business at 142 Neil Road, Runme Shaw Building, Singapore 088871.

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The financial statements were authorised for issue on 10th February 2006 by the Council Members.

2. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

2.1 Basis of Financial Statements Preparation

The financial statements, expressed in Singapore dollars, are prepared in accordance with Singapore Financial Reporting Standards as required by the Companies Act.

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention.

2.2 Revenue Recognition

Income from members' subscriptions is recognised as revenue at the time when the subscriptions become due and payable.

All other income are recognised on an accrual basis.

2.3 Tax

The College has been granted tax-exempt status as a charitable institution. The tax-exempt status is subject to the College's compliance with provisions of the Singapore Income Tax Act and agreement by the Comptroller of Income Tax.

2.4 Receivables

Receivables are carried at anticipated realisable value.

2.5 Specific Funds

The Specific Funds were set up to finance the College's principal activities.

Funds received from subscriptions, donations and other earmarked receipts for such activities are credited to their individual accounts accordingly. Expenditure incurred in the promotion of activities financed by the Specific Funds are debited to their respective accounts.

2.6 Stocks

Stocks are stated at cost.

3. NON-TRADE DEBTOR

This is unsecured, does not bear interest and has no fixed term of repayment.

4. OPERATING SURPLUS

This is stated after charging :-

	<u>2005</u>	<u>2004</u>
	S\$	S\$
Audit fee	500	500

5. TAX

The College is assessed as a charitable institution under Section 13M of the Singapore Income Tax Act. The College is exempt from income tax if it applies, in any tax year of assessment, not less than 80% of its income on charitable objects within Singapore by the end of the following financial year.

In the opinion of the College's Council Members, no provision for income tax is necessary at the end of the current financial year as the College is able to fulfill the conditions required to qualify for income tax exemption.

6. FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT

The financial risk management of the College is managed by its Council Members who set the processes and policies of the College. At the balance sheet date, the College does not have any significant credit, interest rate and foreign currency risk exposure.

7. FAIR VALUES

The carrying amounts of the College's financial assets and liabilities approximate their fair values.

8. COMPARATIVE FIGURES

The comparative figures cover the period from 17th August 2004 (date of incorporation) to 31st December 2004.

**COLLEGE OF OBSTETRICIANS AND
GYNAECOLOGISTS, SINGAPORE**
(Incorporated in the Republic of Singapore)
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ACCOUNTS AS AT 31ST DECEMBER 2005

G. S. TAN & CO.
Certified Public Accountants

**COLLEGE OF PAEDIATRICS &
CHILD HEALTH, SINGAPORE**

(Incorporated in the Republic of Singapore)
(Company Registration No. 200410329W)

REPORT OF THE COUNCIL MEMBERS

The Council Members have pleasure in presenting their report together with the audited financial statements of the College for the financial year ended 31st December 2005.

As the Company is limited by guarantee, the Council Members consider it less applicable to report on the matters to be disclosed under Section 201 (6)(e), (f), (g) and (h) and Section 201 (11) and (12) of the Singapore Companies Act.

Council Members

The Council Members at the date of this report are :-

President : Dr. Quak Seng Hock
Vice-President : Dr. Ho Lai Yun
Honorary Secretary : Dr. Goh Yam Thiam, Daniel
Treasurer : Dr. Victor Samuel Rajadurai
Council Members : Dr. Chan Kwai Lin, Daisy
Dr. Goh Eng Neo, Anne @ Goh Eng Kim, Anne
Dr. Lee Bee Wah

Council Members' contractual benefits

Since the end of the last financial period, no Council Member has received or become entitled to receive a benefit by reason of a contract made by the College or a related corporation with the Council Member or with a firm of which he is a member or with a company in which he has a substantial financial interest.

Auditors

G. S. Tan & Co., Certified Public Accountants, have indicated that they do not wish to seek re-appointment as auditors.

**For and on behalf of the
Council Members**

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Singapore: 10th February 2006

**COLLEGE OF PAEDIATRICS &
CHILD HEALTH, SINGAPORE**

(Incorporated in the Republic of Singapore)
(Company Registration No. 200410329W)

STATEMENT BY COUNCIL MEMBERS

In the opinion of the Council Members, the financial statements set out on pages 4 to 9 are drawn up so as to give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the College as at 31st December 2005, the results of the business, changes in equity and cash flows for the financial year then ended, and at the date of this statement there are reasonable grounds to believe that the College will be able to pay its debts as and when they fall due.

**Signed on behalf of the
Council Members**

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Singapore: 10th February 2006

**AUDITORS' REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF
COLLEGE OF PAEDIATRICS &
CHILD HEALTH, SINGAPORE**

We have audited the financial statements of COLLEGE OF PAEDIATRICS & CHILD HEALTH, SINGAPORE for the financial year ended 31st December 2005 as set out on pages 4 to 9. These financial statements are the responsibility of the College's Council Members. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with Singapore Standards on Auditing. Those Standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by the Council Members, as well as evaluating the overall financial statements presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion,

- (a) the financial statements of the College are properly drawn up in accordance with the provisions of the Companies Act, Cap. 50 (the "Act") and Singapore Financial Reporting Standards so as to give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the College as at 31st December 2005 and the results, changes in equity and cash flows of the College for the year ended on that date; and
- (b) the accounting and other records (excluding registers) required by the Act to be kept by the College have been properly kept in accordance with the provisions of the Act.

**G. S. TAN & CO.
CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS**

Singapore: 10th February 2006

**COLLEGE OF PAEDIATRICS &
CHILD HEALTH, SINGAPORE**

(Incorporated in the Republic of Singapore)
(Company Registration No. 200410329W)

BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31ST DECEMBER 2005

	<u>Note</u>	<u>2005</u> S\$	<u>2004</u> S\$
CURRENT ASSETS			
Stocks		2,555	--
Members' subscriptions		375	--
Non-trade debtor	3	--	13,492
Cash at bank & in hand		30,035	3,000
		-----	-----
		32,965	16,492
LESS: CURRENT LIABILITIES			
Accruals		(700)	(900)
		-----	-----
NET CURRENT ASSETS		32,265	15,592
		=====	=====
 Represented by:			
Accumulated Fund		21,355	2,482
Specific Funds		10,910	13,110
		-----	-----
		32,265	15,592
		=====	=====

The accompanying notes form an integral part of these accounts.

**COLLEGE OF PAEDIATRICS &
CHILD HEALTH, SINGAPORE**

(Incorporated in the Republic of Singapore)
(Company Registration No. 200410329W)

**INCOME & EXPENDITURE STATEMENT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2005**

	<u>Note</u>	<u>2005</u> S\$	<u>2004</u> S\$
Subscriptions income		15,512	4,788
Income from events		8,171	--
Sponsorships		10,500	--
Less : Operating expenses		(15,310)	(3,724)
		-----	-----
Operating surplus	4	18,873	1,064
Taxation	5	--	--
		-----	-----
Net surplus after tax transferred to Accumulated Fund		18,873	1,064
		=====	=====

The accompanying notes form an integral part of these accounts.

**COLLEGE OF PAEDIATRICS &
CHILD HEALTH, SINGAPORE**

(Incorporated in the Republic of Singapore)

(Company Registration No. 200410329W)

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN MEMBERS' EQUITY

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2005

	Accumulated Fund S\$	Specific Funds S\$	Total S\$
As at 17.8.04 (date of incorporation)	--	--	--
Net surplus for the period	1,064	--	1,064
Transfer from Academy of Medicine, Singapore	1,418	13,110	14,528
	-----	-----	-----
As at 31.12.04	2,482	13,110	15,592
Net surplus for the year	18,873	--	18,873
Movement in specific funds	--	(2,200)	(2,200)
	-----	-----	-----
As at 31.12.05	21,355	10,910	32,265
	=====	=====	=====

The accompanying notes form an integral part of these accounts.

**COLLEGE OF PAEDIATRICS &
CHILD HEALTH, SINGAPORE**

(Incorporated in the Republic of Singapore)
(Company Registration No. 200410329W)

STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2005

	<u>2005</u> S\$	<u>2004</u> S\$
Cash Flows from Operating Activities		
Surplus before taxation	18,873	1,064
Movement in specific funds	(2,200)	14,528
	-----	-----
Operating cash flows before working capital changes	16,673	15,592
Stocks	(2,555)	--
Debtors	13,117	(13,492)
Creditors	(200)	900
	-----	-----
Cash generated from operations	27,035	3,000
	=====	=====
Increase in cash	27,035	3,000
Cash at beginning of the year	3,000	--
	-----	-----
Cash at end of the year	30,035	3,000
	=====	=====

The accompanying notes form an integral part of these accounts

**COLLEGE OF PAEDIATRICS &
CHILD HEALTH, SINGAPORE**

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NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS - 31ST DECEMBER 2005

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1. GENERAL INFORMATION

COLLEGE OF PAEDIATRICS & CHILD HEALTH, SINGAPORE is registered and domiciled in Singapore with its registered office and principal place of business at 142 Neil Road, Runme Shaw Building, Singapore 088871.

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The financial statements were authorised for issue on 10th February 2006 by the Council Members.

2. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

2.1 Basis of Financial Statements Preparation

The financial statements, expressed in Singapore dollars, are prepared in accordance with Singapore Financial Reporting Standards as required by the Companies Act.

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention.

2.2 Revenue Recognition

Income from members' subscriptions is recognised as revenue at the time when the subscriptions become due and payable.

All other income are recognised on an accrual basis.

2.3 Tax

The College has been granted tax-exempt status as a charitable institution. The tax-exempt status is subject to the College's compliance with provisions of the Singapore Income Tax Act and agreement by the Comptroller of Income Tax.

2.4 Receivables

Receivables are carried at anticipated realisable value.

2.5 Specific Funds

The Specific Funds were set up to finance the College's principal activities.

Funds received from subscriptions, donations and other earmarked receipts for such activities are credited to their individual accounts accordingly. Expenditure incurred in the promotion of activities financed by the Specific Funds are debited to their respective accounts.

2.6 Stocks

Stocks are stated at cost.

3. NON-TRADE DEBTOR

This is unsecured, does not bear interest and has no fixed term of repayment.

4. OPERATING SURPLUS

This is stated after charging :-

	<u>2005</u> S\$	<u>2004</u> S\$
Audit fee	500	500

5. TAX

The College is assessed as a charitable institution under Section 13M of the Singapore Income Tax Act. The College is exempt from income tax if it applies, in any tax year of assessment, not less than 80% of its income on charitable objects within Singapore by the end of the following financial year.

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6. FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT

The financial risk management of the College is managed by its Council Members who set the processes and policies of the College. At the balance sheet date, the College does not have any significant credit, interest rate and foreign currency risk exposure.

7. FAIR VALUES

The carrying amounts of the College's financial assets and liabilities approximate their fair values.

8. COMPARATIVE FIGURES

The comparative figures cover the period from 17th August 2004 (date of incorporation) to 31st December 2004.

**COLLEGE OF PAEDIATRICS &
CHILD HEALTH, SINGAPORE**
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(Company Registration No. 200410329W)

ACCOUNTS AS AT 31ST DECEMBER 2005

G. S. TAN & CO.
Certified Public Accountants

COLLEGE OF PHYSICIANS, SINGAPORE

(Incorporated in the Republic of Singapore)

(Company Registration No. 200410334R)

REPORT OF THE COUNCIL MEMBERS

The Council Members have pleasure in presenting their report together with the audited financial statements of the College for the financial year ended 31st December 2005.

As the Company is limited by guarantee, the Council Members consider it less applicable to report on the matters to be disclosed under Section 201 (6)(e), (f), (g) and (h), Section 201 (11) and (12) of the Singapore Companies Act.

Council Members

The Council Members at the date of this report are :-

- President : Dr. Lim Shih Hui
Vice- President : Dr. Ng Keng Yeen
Honorary Secretary : Dr. Julian Thumboo
Honorary Treasurer : Dr. Chan Kin Ming
Council Members : Dr. Khoo Kei Siong
Dr. Chua Siang Jin, Terrance
Dr. Sum Chee Fang
Chapter Chairmen : Dr. Ho Kheng Thye (Chapter of Cardiologists)
Dr. Chan Kum Wah, Roy (Chapter of Dermatologists)
Dr. C Rajasoorya (Chapter of Endocrinologists)
Dr. Richard Guan (Chapter of Gastroenterologists)
Dr. Oh Min-Sen, Vernon (Chapter of General Physicians)
Dr. Choo Wee Jin, Philip (Chapter of Geriatricians)
Dr. Tan Huat Chye, Patrick (Chapter of Haematologists)
Dr. Wong Sin Yew (Chapter of Infectious Diseases Physicians)
Dr. Toh Han Chong (Chapter of Medical Oncologists)
Dr. Chen Li-Hsian, Christopher (Chapter of Neurologists)
Dr. Kong Keng He (Chapter of Rehabilitation Physicians)
Dr. Wong Kok Seng (Chapter of Renal Physicians)
Dr. Ng Wei Keong, Alan (Chapter of Respiratory Physicians)
Dr. Leong Keng Hong (Chapter of Rheumatologists)

Council Members' contractual benefits

Since incorporation, no Council Member has received or become entitled to receive a benefit by reason of a contract made by the College or a related corporation with the Council Member or with a firm of which he is a member or with a company in which he has a substantial financial interest.

Auditors

G. S. Tan & Co., Certified Public Accountants, have indicated that they do not wish to seek re-appointment as auditors.

**For and on behalf of the
Council Members**

Dr Lim Shih Hui
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Singapore: 10th February 2006

COLLEGE OF PHYSICIANS, SINGAPORE

(Incorporated in the Republic of Singapore)

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STATEMENT BY COUNCIL MEMBERS

In the opinion of the Council Members, the financial statements set out on pages 5 to 11 are drawn up so as to give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the College at 31st December 2005, the results of the business, changes in equity and cash flows for the financial year then ended, and at the date of this statement there are reasonable grounds to believe that the College will be able to pay its debts as and when they fall due.

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**AUDITORS' REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF
COLLEGE OF PHYSICIANS, SINGAPORE**

We have audited the financial statements of COLLEGE OF PHYSICIANS, SINGAPORE for the financial year ended 31st December 2005 as set out on pages 5 to 11. These financial statements are the responsibility of the College's Council Members. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with Singapore Standards on Auditing. Those Standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by the Council Members, as well as evaluating the overall financial statements presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion,

- (a) the financial statements of the College are properly drawn up in accordance with the provisions of the Companies Act, Cap. 50 (the "Act") and Singapore Financial Reporting Standards so as to give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the College as at 31st December 2005 and the results, changes in equity and cash flows of the College for the year ended on that date; and
- (b) the accounting and other records (excluding registers) required by the Act to be kept by the College have been properly kept in accordance with the provisions of the Act.

**G. S. TAN & CO.
CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS**

Singapore: 10th February 2006

COLLEGE OF PHYSICIANS, SINGAPORE

(Incorporated in the Republic of Singapore)

(Company Registration No. 200410334R)

BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31ST DECEMBER 2005

	<u>Note</u>	<u>2005</u> S\$	<u>2004</u> S\$
CURRENT ASSETS			
Stocks		2,310	--
Members' subscriptions		1,875	--
Non-trade debtor	3	--	144,182
Cash at bank & in hand		189,250	3,050
		-----	-----
		193,435	147,232
LESS: CURRENT LIABILITIES			
Accruals		(700)	(900)
		-----	-----
NET CURRENT ASSETS		192,735	146,332
		=====	=====
Represented by:			
Accumulated Surplus		33,372	5,779
Chapter Funds	4	14,764	3,355
Specific Funds	5	144,599	137,198
		-----	-----
		192,735	146,332
		=====	=====

The accompanying notes form an integral part of these accounts.

COLLEGE OF PHYSICIANS, SINGAPORE

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(Company Registration No. 200410334R)

INCOME & EXPENDITURE STATEMENT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2005

	<u>Note</u>	<u>2005</u> S\$	<u>2004</u> S\$
Subscriptions income		36,483	10,112
Income from events		5,852	--
Other income		285	--
Less : Operating expenses		(15,007)	(4,692)
Staff cost		(20)	--
		-----	-----
Operating surplus	6	27,593	5,420
Taxation	7	--	--
		-----	-----
Net surplus after tax transferred to revenue reserves		27,593	5,420
		=====	=====

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COLLEGE OF PHYSICIANS, SINGAPORE

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(Company Registration No. 200410334R)

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN MEMBERS' EQUITY

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2005

	Accumulated Surplus S\$	Chapter Funds S\$	Specific Funds S\$	Total S\$
As at 17.08.04 (date of incorporation)	--	--	--	--
Net surplus for the period	5,420	3,355	(2,795)	5,980
Transfer (to)/from				
- Academy of Medicine, Singapore	13,559	--	139,993	153,552
- Specific Funds	(13,200)	--	--	(13,200)
	-----	-----	-----	-----
As at 31.12.04	5,779	3,355	137,198	146,332
Net surplus for the year	27,593	11,410	7,400	46,403
	-----	-----	-----	-----
As at 31.12.05	33,372	14,765	144,598	192,735
	=====	=====	=====	=====

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COLLEGE OF PHYSICIANS, SINGAPORE

(Incorporated in the Republic of Singapore)

(Company Registration No. 200410334R)

STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2005

	<u>2005</u> S\$	<u>2004</u> S\$
Cash Flows from Operating Activities		
Surplus before taxation	27,593	5,420
Chapter Funds	11,410	3,355
Specific Funds	7,400	137,198
Transfer to Accumulated Surplus	--	359
	-----	-----
Operating cash flow before working capital changes	46,403	146,332
Stocks	(2,310)	--
Debtors	142,307	(144,182)
Creditors	(200)	900
	-----	-----
Cash generated from operations	186,200	3,050
	=====	=====
Increase in cash	186,200	3,050
Cash at beginning of the year	3,050	--
	-----	-----
Cash at end of the year	189,250	3,050
	=====	=====

The accompanying notes form an integral part of these accounts

COLLEGE OF PHYSICIANS, SINGAPORE

(Incorporated in the Republic of Singapore)
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NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS - 31ST DECEMBER 2005

These notes form an integral part of and should be read in conjunction with the accompanying accounts.

1. GENERAL INFORMATION

COLLEGE OF PHYSICIANS, SINGAPORE is registered and domiciled in Singapore with its registered office and principal place of business at 142 Neil Road, Runme Shaw Building, Singapore 088871.

The principal activities of the College 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.

The financial statements were authorised for issue on 10th February 2006 by the Council Members.

2. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

2.1 Basis of Financial Statements Preparation

The financial statements, expressed in Singapore dollars, are prepared in accordance with Singapore Financial Reporting Standards as required by the Companies Act.

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention.

2.2 Revenue Recognition

Income from members' subscriptions is recognised as revenue at the time when the subscriptions become due and payable.

All other income are recognised on an accrual basis.

2.3 Tax

The College has been granted tax-exempt status as a charitable institution. The tax-exempt status is subject to the College's compliance with provisions of the Singapore Income Tax Act and agreement by the Comptroller of Income Tax.

2.4 Receivables

Receivables are carried at anticipated realisable value.

2.5 Specific Funds

The Specific Funds were set up to finance the College's principal activities.

Funds received from subscriptions, donations and other earmarked receipts for such activities are credited to their individual accounts accordingly. Expenditure incurred in the promotion of activities financed by the Specific Funds are debited to their respective accounts.

2.6 Chapter Funds

The Chapter Funds were set up to support continuing educational activities.

Funds received from subscriptions, donations and other earmarked receipts for such activities are credited to their individual accounts accordingly. Expenditure incurred on such activities are debited to their respective accounts.

2.7 Stocks

Stocks are stated at cost.

3. NON-TRADE DEBTOR

This is unsecured, does not bear interest and has no fixed term of repayment.

4. CHAPTER FUNDS

	<u>2005</u> S\$	<u>2004</u> S\$
Subscriptions receivable	11,536	3,371
Other income	646	--
Less: operating expenses	(772)	(16)
	-----	-----
Net surplus for the year	11,410	3,355
Balance at beginning of the year	3,355	--
	-----	-----
Balance at end of the year	14,765	3,355
	=====	=====

5. SPECIFIC FUNDS

	<u>2005</u> S\$	<u>2004</u> S\$
Donations	22,000	--
Registration fees	3,550	--
Less: operating expenses	(18,150)	(2,795)
	-----	-----
Net surplus/(deficit) for the year	7,400	(2,795)
Transfer from Academy of Medicine, Singapore	--	139,993
Balance at beginning of the year	137,198	--
	-----	-----
Balance at end of the year	144,598	137,198
	=====	=====

6. OPERATING SURPLUS

This is stated after charging :-

	<u>2005</u> S\$	<u>2004</u> S\$
Audit fee	500	500

7. TAX

The College is assessed as a charitable institution under Section 13M of the Singapore Income Tax Act.

The College is exempt from income tax if it applies, in any tax year of assessment, not less than 80% of its income on charitable objects within Singapore by the end of the following financial year.

In the opinion of the College's Council Members, no provision for income tax is necessary at the end of the current financial year as the College is able to fulfil the conditions required to qualify for income tax exemption.

8. FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT

The financial risk management of the College is managed by its Council Members who set the processes and policies of the College. At the balance sheet date, the College does not have any significant credit, interest rate and foreign currency risk exposure.

9. FAIR VALUES

The carrying amounts of the College's financial assets and liabilities approximate their fair values.

10. COMPARATIVE FIGURES

The comparative figures cover the period from 17th August 2004 (date of incorporation) to 31st December 2004.

COLLEGE OF PHYSICIANS, SINGAPORE
(Incorporated in the Republic of Singapore)
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ACCOUNTS AS AT 31ST DECEMBER 2005

G. S. TAN & CO.
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COLLEGE OF RADIOLOGISTS, SINGAPORE

(Incorporated in the Republic of Singapore)

(Company Registration No. 200410338Z)

REPORT OF THE COUNCIL MEMBERS

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Council Members

The Council Members at the date of this report are :-

- President : Dr. Tan Kim Ping
- Vice- President : Dr. Hoe Wei Ming, John
- Honorary Secretary : Dr. Kaw Jon Leng, Gregory
- Treasurer : A/P Thomas Chee
- Council Members : Dr. Tan Bien Soo
Dr. Vijay Kumar Sethi
A/P Wang Shih-Chang
- Chapter Chairmen : Dr. Chua Eu Tiong (Chapter of Therapeutic Radiologists)
Dr. Goh Soon Whatt, Anthony (Chapter of Nuclear Medicine Physicians)
Dr. Ng Eng Soo, Samuel (Chapter of Diagnostic Radiologists)

Council Members' contractual benefits

Since the end of the last financial period, no Council Member has received or become entitled to receive a benefit by reason of a contract made by the College or a related corporation with the Council Member or with a firm of which he is a member or with a company in which he has a substantial financial interest.

Auditors

G. S. Tan & Co., Certified Public Accountants, have indicated that they do not wish to seek re-appointment as auditors.

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Singapore: 10th February 2006

COLLEGE OF RADIOLOGISTS, SINGAPORE

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STATEMENT BY COUNCIL MEMBERS

In the opinion of the Council Members, the financial statements set out on pages 4 to 9 are drawn up so as to give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the College as at 31st December 2005, the results of the business, changes in equity and the cash flows for the financial year then ended, and at the date of this statement there are reasonable grounds to believe that the College will be able to pay its debts as and when they fall due.

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**AUDITORS' REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF
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**G. S. TAN & CO.
CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS**

Singapore: 10th February 2006

COLLEGE OF RADIOLOGISTS, SINGAPORE

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BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31ST DECEMBER 2005

	<u>Note</u>	<u>2005</u> S\$	<u>2004</u> S\$
CURRENT ASSETS			
Stocks		294	--
Members' subscriptions		1,250	--
Non-trade debtor	3	--	16,073
Cash at bank & in hand		68,775	3,000
		-----	-----
		70,319	19,073
LESS: CURRENT LIABILITIES			
Accruals		(700)	(900)
		-----	-----
NET CURRENT ASSETS		69,619	18,173
		=====	=====
 Represented by:			
Accumulated Fund		14,821	(837)
Specific Funds		54,798	19,010
		-----	-----
		69,619	18,173
		=====	=====

The accompanying notes form an integral part of these accounts.

COLLEGE OF RADIOLOGISTS, SINGAPORE

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INCOME & EXPENDITURE STATEMENT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2005

	<u>Note</u>	<u>2005</u> S\$	<u>2004</u> S\$
Subscriptions income		13,044	4,000
Income from events		5,874	--
Less : Operating expenses		(3,260)	(5,661)
		-----	-----
Operating surplus/(deficit)	4	15,658	(1,661)
Taxation	5	--	--
		-----	-----
Net surplus/(deficit) after tax transferred to Accumulated Fund		15,658	(1,661)
		=====	=====

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN MEMBERS' EQUITY

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2005

	Accumulated Fund S\$	Specific Funds S\$	Total S\$
As at 17.8.04 (date of incorporation)	--	--	--
Net deficit for the period	(1,661)	--	(1,661)
Transfer from Academy of Medicine, Singapore	824	19,010	19,834
	-----	-----	-----
As at 31.12.04	(837)	19,010	18,173
Net surplus for the year	15,658	--	15,658
Movements in specific funds	--	35,788	35,788
	-----	-----	-----
As at 31.12.05	14,821	54,798	69,619
	=====	=====	=====

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COLLEGE OF RADIOLOGISTS, SINGAPORE

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STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2005

	<u>2005</u> S\$	<u>2004</u> S\$
Cash Flows from Operating Activities		
Surplus/(Deficit) before taxation	15,658	(1,661)
Specific Funds	35,788	19,010
Transfer from Accumulated Fund	--	824
	-----	-----
Operating cash flows before working capital changes	51,446	18,173
Stocks	(294)	--
Debtors	14,823	(16,073)
Creditors	(200)	900
	-----	-----
Cash generated from operations	65,775	3,000
	-----	-----
Increase in cash	65,775	3,000
Cash at beginning of the year	3,000	--
	-----	-----
Cash at end of the year	68,775	3,000
	=====	=====

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Stocks are stated at cost.

3. NON-TRADE DEBTOR

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4. OPERATING SURPLUS/(DEFICIT)

This is stated after charging :-

	2005	2004
	S\$	S\$
Audit fee	500	500

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ACCOUNTS AS AT 31ST DECEMBER 2005

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Education
Vice-President for : Dr. Chan Heng Thye
Administration
Honorary Secretary : Dr. Prema Raj Jeyaraj
Honorary Treasurer : Dr. Wong Sen Chow
Council Members : Dr. Tong Ming Chuan
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Dr. Lim Tock Han (Chapter of Ophthalmologists)
Dr. Low Yin Peng (Chapter of Orthopaedic Surgeons)
Dr. Siow Jin Keat (Chapter of Otorhinolaryngologists)
Dr. Anette S Jacobsen (Chapter of Paediatric Surgeons)
Dr. Yeow Kok Leng, Vincent (Chapter of Plastic Surgeons)
Dr. David Terrence Consigliere (Chapter of Urologists)

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Singapore: 10th February 2006

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COLLEGE OF SURGEONS, SINGAPORE**

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CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS**

Singapore: 10th February 2006

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BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31ST DECEMBER 2005

	<u>Note</u>	<u>2005</u> S\$	<u>2004</u> S\$
CURRENT ASSETS			
Stocks		3,584	--
Member's subscriptions		3,300	--
Non-trade debtor	3	--	692,587
Cash at bank		749,954	3,000
		-----	-----
		756,838	695,587
LESS: CURRENT LIABILITIES			
Accruals		(700)	(900)
		-----	-----
NET CURRENT ASSETS		756,138	694,687
		=====	=====
 Represented by:			
Accumulated Fund		47,823	15,625
Specific Funds		708,315	679,062
		-----	-----
		756,138	694,687
		=====	=====

The accompanying notes form an integral part of these accounts.

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INCOME & EXPENDITURE STATEMENT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2005

	<u>Note</u>	<u>2005</u> S\$	<u>2004</u> S\$
Subscriptions income		43,713	13,306
Income from events		5,013	--
Other income		2,104	--
Less : Operating expenses		(18,614)	(3,933)
Staff costs		(18)	--
		-----	-----
Operating surplus	4	32,198	9,373
Taxation	5	--	--
		-----	-----
Net surplus after tax transferred to Accumulated Fund		32,198	9,373
		=====	=====

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN MEMBERS' EQUITY

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2005

	Accumulated Fund S\$	Specific Funds S\$	Total S\$
As at 17.8.04 (date of incorporation)	--	--	--
Net surplus for the period	9,373	--	9,373
Transfer from Academy of Medicine, Singapore	6,252 -----	679,062 -----	685,314 -----
As at 31.12.04	15,625	679,062	694,687
Net surplus for the year	32,198	--	32,198
Movement in specific funds	-- -----	29,253 -----	29,253 -----
As at 31.12.2005	47,823 =====	708,315 =====	756,138 =====

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STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2005

	<u>2005</u> S\$	<u>2004</u> S\$
Cash Flows from Operating Activities		
Surplus before taxation	32,198	9,373
Transfer from Academy of Medicine, Singapore	--	685,314
Movement in specific funds	29,253	--
	-----	-----
Operating cash flow before working capital changes	61,451	694,687
Stocks	(3,584)	--
Debtors	689,287	(692,587)
Creditors	(200)	900
	-----	-----
Cash generated from operations	746,954	3,000
	-----	-----
Increase in cash	746,954	3,000
Cash at beginning of the year	3,000	--
	-----	-----
Cash at end of the year	749,954	3,000
	=====	=====

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NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS - 31ST DECEMBER 2005

These notes form an integral part of and should be read in conjunction with the accompanying accounts.

1. GENERAL INFORMATION

COLLEGE OF SURGEONS, SINGAPORE is registered and domiciled in Singapore with its registered office and principal place of business at 142 Neil Road, Runme Shaw Building, Singapore 088871.

The principal activities of the College 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.

The financial statements were authorised for issue on 10th February 2006 by the Council Members.

2. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

2.1 Basis of Financial Statements Preparation

The financial statements, expressed in Singapore dollars, are prepared in accordance with Singapore Financial Reporting Standards as required by the Companies Act.

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention.

2.2 Revenue Recognition

Income from members' subscriptions is recognised as revenue at the time when the subscriptions become due and payable.

All other income are recognised on an accrual basis.

2.3 Tax

The College has been granted tax-exempt status as a charitable institution. The tax-exempt status is subject to the College's compliance with provisions of the Singapore Income Tax Act and agreement by the Comptroller of Income Tax.

2.4 Receivables

Receivables are carried at anticipated realisable value.

2.5 Specific Funds

The Specific Funds were set up to finance the College's principal activities.

Funds received from subscriptions, donations and other earmarked receipts for such activities are credited to their individual accounts accordingly. Expenditure incurred in the promotion of activities financed by the Specific Funds is debited to their respective accounts.

2.6 Stocks

Stocks are stated at cost.

3. NON-TRADE DEBTOR

This is unsecured, does not bear interest and has no fixed term of repayment.

4. OPERATING SURPLUS

This is stated after charging :-	<u>2005</u>	<u>2004</u>
	S\$	S\$
Audit fee	500	500

5. TAX

The College is assessed as a charitable institution under Section 13M of the Singapore Income Tax Act. The College is exempt from income tax if it applies, in any tax year of assessment, not less than 80% of its income on charitable objects within Singapore by the end of the following financial year.

In the opinion of the College's Council Members, no provision for income tax is necessary at the end of the current financial year as the College is able to fulfill the conditions required to qualify for income tax exemption.

6. FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT

The financial risk management of the College is managed by its Council Members who set the processes and policies of the College. At the balance sheet date, the College does not have any significant credit, interest rate and foreign currency risk exposure.

7. FAIR VALUES

The carrying amounts of the College's financial assets and liabilities approximate their fair values.

8. COMPARATIVE FIGURES

The comparative figures cover the period from 17th August 2004 (date of incorporation) to 31st December 2005.

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ACCOUNTS AS AT 31ST DECEMBER 2005

G. S. TAN & CO.
Certified Public Accountants
