



ACADEMY OF MEDICINE  
SINGAPORE

ANNUAL REPORT 2003 – 2004

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# Academy of Medicine, Singapore 2003-2004 Council



## ACADEMY OF MEDICINE, SINGAPORE

*Patron: Mr S R Natban, President, Republic of Singapore*

### 2003-2004 COUNCIL OF THE ACADEMY OF MEDICINE, SINGAPORE

**Dr Kandiah Satkunanantham**

*Master*

**Dr Low Cheng Hock**

*Master-Elect*

**Dr Ho Lai Yun**

*Assistant Master*

**Dr Christopher H K Goh**

*Scribe*

**Dr Abhilash Balakrishnan**

*Bursar*

**Dr George Y W Soh**

*Assistant Bursar*

**Dr Tan Kok Chai**

*Censor-in-Chief*

**Dr Chen Fun Gee**

*Censor*

**Dr Gilbert S C Chiang**

*Censor*

**Dr Fock Kwong Ming**

*Censor*

**Dr Yeo Jin Fei**

*Censor*

**Dr George S H Yeo**

*Censor*

**Dr Felix Sundram**

*Editor, Annals, Academy of Medicine, Singapore*

#### CHAIRPERSONS OF CHAPTERS

**Dr Lai Fook Onn**

*Anaesthesiologists*

**Dr Varawan Sae-Lim**

*Dental Surgeons*

**Dr Chang Tou Choong**

*Obstetricians and Gynaecologists*

**Dr Quak Seng Hock**

*Paediatricians*

**Dr Lim-Tan Soo Kim**

*Pathologists*

**Dr Lim Shih Hui**

*Physicians*

**Dr Ong Thiew Chai**

*Psychiatrists*

**Dr Lee Hock Siang**

*Public Health and Occupational Physicians*

**Dr Tan Bien Soo**

*Radiologists*

**Dr Colin Song**

*Surgeons*

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## ACADEMY OF MEDICINE, SINGAPORE 2003 – 2004 COUNCIL



*Taken at the Lee Kong Chian Room on 5 April 2004*

Standing (left to right)

**Dr Lai Fook Oon**, Chairman, Chapter of Anaesthesiologists **Dr Colin Song**, Chairman, Chapter of Surgeons **Dr Lim Shih Hui**, Chairman, Chapter of Physicians **Dr Tan Bien Soo**, Chairman, Chapter of Radiologists **Dr Quak Seng Hock**, Chairman, Chapter of Paediatricians **Dr Varawan Sae-Lim**, Chairperson, Chapter of Dental Surgeons **Dr Lim-Tan Soo Kim**, Chairperson, Chapter of Pathologists **Dr Yeo Jin Fei**, Censor **Dr Chang Tou Choong**, Chairman, Chapter of Obstetricians and Gynaecologists **Dr Ong Thiew Chai**, Chairman, Chapter of Psychiatrists **Dr Lee Hock Siang**, Chairman, Chapter of Public Health and Occupational Physicians

Seated (left to right)

**Dr Gilbert S C Chiang**, Censor **Dr Felix Sundram**, Editor, Annals **Dr Christopher H K Goh**, Scribe **Dr Ho Lai Yun**, Assistant Master **Dr K Satku**, Master **Dr Low Cheng Hock**, Master-Elect **Dr A Balakrishnan**, Bursar **Dr George Y W Soh**, Assistant Bursar **Dr Fock Kwong Ming**, Censor **Dr Tan Kok Chai**, Censor-in-Chief

Absent

**Dr Chen Fun Gee**, Censor **Dr George S H Yeo**, Censor

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# 26<sup>th</sup> Annual General Meeting

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the 26th Annual General Meeting of the Academy of Medicine, Singapore will be held on Saturday, 26 June 2004 at 2.00pm at the CRC Auditorium, MD11, Faculty of Medicine, National University of Singapore.

## AGENDA

1. Minutes of the 25th Annual General Meeting held on 28 June 2003
2. Minutes of the Extraordinary General Meeting held on 27 March 2004
3. Report of the 2003-2004 Council
4. Presentation of the Audited Accounts as at 31 December 2003
5. Election of the 2004-2006 Council

The following eight nominations to the 2004-2006 Council have been received:

<b>Nominee</b>	<b>Proposer</b>	<b>Seconder</b>
Dr Abhilash Balakrishnan	Dr Carolyn Tan	Dr Anette Jacobsen
Dr Gilbert SC Chiang	Dr V Anantharaman	Dr Ng Han Seong
Dr Fock Kwong Ming	Dr Chew Chin Hin	Dr Tan Ser Kiat
Dr Christopher HK Goh	Dr Ho Lai Yun	Dr Abhilash Balakrishnan
Dr Lim Shun Ping	Dr Tan Chi Chiu	Dr Fong Chuan Wee
Dr Tan Bien Soo	Dr Kandiah Satkunanantham	Dr Tan Kim Ping
Dr Tan Kok Chai	Dr Erik Ang	Dr Andrew Tay
Dr Cuthbert Teo Eng Swee	Dr Lim-Tan Soo Kim	Dr Tan Puay Hoon

An election by postal ballots was carried out as there are only 6 vacancies on the 2004-2006 Council. The duly elected councillors will be announced at the AGM.

6. Appointment of Dr Low Cheng Hock (Master-Elect 2003-2004) as Master of 2004-2006 Council
7. Appointment of Auditors
8. Proposed additional article to the Academy's Memorandum and Articles of Association

To consider and, if thought fit, to pass the following as a Special Resolution:

That subject to the approval of the Minister for Finance, the Comptroller of Income Tax and the Commissioner of Charities, the Articles of Association of the Academy be amended by inserting the following as the final paragraph of Article 60:

The Editor of Annals, who is an ex-officio member of the Council, shall be elected by the Council on recommendation of the incumbent Editor and serve a total term of four years. If appropriate, the Editor may be elected for an additional two years. No Editor shall hold office for more than six years.

The purpose of this additional article is to make provision for the tenure of the Editor of Annals. (Please see Appendix 1.)

9. To consider and, if thought fit, to pass the following as an Ordinary Resolution:

All members of the Academy be allowed to indicate their preferred salutations e.g. Prof / Assoc Prof / Dr / Mr / Ms / Mdm

10. 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 90 regarding AMENDMENTS reads as follows:

Amendments to these Articles shall be proposed and seconded by two voting 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 General Meeting. Such amendments to become effective must be passed by a majority of three-quarters of members present at the 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.

14 May 2003

Dr Christopher Goh  
Scribe

**ACADEMY OF MEDICINE, SINGAPORE**  
**Articles of Association**

Article No	Existing Clauses	Article No	Proposed Amendments	Reason for amendments
60	<p><b>COUNCIL OF MANAGEMENT</b></p> <p>The Academy shall have a Council which shall consist of the following:</p> <p>(a) Councillors elected by the voting members holding the following offices</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><i>i) Master;</i></li> <li><i>ii) Assistant Master;</i></li> <li><i>iii) Scribe;</i></li> <li><i>iv) Bursar;</i></li> <li><i>v) Assistant Bursar;</i></li> <li><i>vi) Censor-in-Chief;</i></li> <li><i>vii) Censors (6 or 7);</i></li> <li><i>viii) Master-Elect or Immedia te Past Master (ex-officio);</i></li> </ul> <p>(b) Editor of <i>Annals, Academy of Medicine, Singapore</i> (ex-officio); and</p> <p>(c) The Chairmen of Chapters and/or the Chairmen/ Presidents of the Colleges.</p> <p>(d) The Master, Assistant Master, Scribe, Bursar, Assistant Bursar, Censor-in-Chief and Master-Elect or Immediate Past Master shall comprise the executive officers of the Academy.</p> <p>The Council shall have the power to fill casual vacancies in the Council and appoint any Council member or Fellow to any office in the Council as and when necessary except for the post of the Master-Elect.</p>	60	<p><b>COUNCIL OF MANAGEMENT</b></p> <p>The Academy shall have a Council which shall consist of the following:</p> <p>(a) Councillors elected by the voting members holding the following offices</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><i>i) Master;</i></li> <li><i>ii) Assistant Master;</i></li> <li><i>iii) Scribe;</i></li> <li><i>iv) Bursar;</i></li> <li><i>v) Assistant Bursar;</i></li> <li><i>vi) Censor-in-Chief;</i></li> <li><i>vii) Censors (6 or 7);</i></li> <li><i>viii) Master-Elect or Immediate Past Master (ex-officio);</i></li> </ul> <p>(b) Editor of <i>Annals, Academy of Medicine, Singapore</i> (ex-officio); and</p> <p>(c) The Chairmen of Chapters and/or the Chairmen/ Presidents of the Colleges.</p> <p>(d) The Master, Assistant Master, Scribe, Bursar, Assistant Bursar, Censor-in-Chief and Master-Elect or Immediate Past Master shall comprise the executive officers of the Academy.</p> <p>The Council shall have the power to fill casual vacancies in the Council and appoint any Council member or Fellow to any office in the Council as and when necessary except for the post of the Master-Elect.</p> <p><b>The Editor of Annals, who is an ex-officio member of the Council, shall be elected by the Council on recommendation of the incumbent Editor and serve a total term of four years. If appropriate, the Editor may be elected for an additional two years. No Editor shall hold office for more than six years.</b></p>	<p>To insert new paragraph to clarify the tenure of the Editor of Annals.</p>

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# 25<sup>th</sup> Annual General Meeting

## Academy of Medicine, Singapore

Minutes of the 25<sup>th</sup> Annual General Meeting of the Academy of Medicine, Singapore held at 2.00pm on Saturday, 28 June 2003 at the Clinical Research Centre (CRC) Auditorium, MD11, Faculty of Medicine, National University of Singapore

The following members were present:

1. Dr A Vathsala
2. Dr Ang Yong Guan
3. Dr Balakrishnan, Abhilash
4. Dr C Rajasoorya
5. Dr Chang Tou Choong
6. Dr Chee E N, Alexius
7. Dr Chee Yam Cheng
8. Dr Chew Chong Lin
10. Dr Chia Sing Joo
11. Dr Chiang S C, Gilbert
12. Dr Chung Kong Mun
13. Dr Consigliere, David T
14. Dr Das De Syamal
15. Dr Fock Kwong Ming
16. Dr Fong Poh Him
17. Dr Goh H K, Christopher
18. Dr Goh Poh Sun
19. Dr Goh S W, Anthony
20. Dr Goh Siang Hiong
21. Dr Goh Y T, Daniel
22. Dr Hee Hwan Tak
23. Dr Ho King Hee
24. Dr Ho Lai Yun
25. Dr Hui Hoi Po
26. Dr Kan, Alex Ford
27. Dr Kandiah, Satkunanantham
28. Dr Koh Dow Rhooon
29. Dr Koh Kwong Fah
30. Dr Koh S Q, David
31. Dr Kwek Tong Kiat
32. Dr Lee Keen Whye
33. Dr Lien Li Choo
34. Dr Lim Choie Cheio, Tchoyoson
35. Dr Lim H C, Peter
36. Dr Lim Shih Hui
37. Dr Lim Swee Han
38. Dr Lim Yean Teng
39. Dr Lim-Tan Soo Kim
40. Dr Ling Ngan Ngieng
41. Dr Loh Keh Chuan
42. Dr Low Cheng Hock
43. Dr Low Yin Peng
44. Dr Nair, Suresh
45. Dr Nambiar, Raj M
46. Dr Ong Seh Hong
47. Dr Ong Yong Yau
48. Dr Pang Weng Sun
49. Dr Pho, W H Robert
50. Dr Quak Seng Hock
51. Dr Sin Fai Lam, Khim Nian
52. Dr Singh, Dharambir
53. Dr Singh, Jarnail Khosa
54. Dr Soh Y W, George
55. Dr Song, Colin
56. Dr Sundram, Felix X
57. Dr Tan Bien Soo
58. Dr Tan Hooi Hwa
59. Dr Tan Kok Chai
60. Dr Tan Ser Kiat
61. Dr Tan T L, Walter
62. Dr V K Pillay
63. Dr Vaithinathan, B R
64. Dr Veerasingam, Prem Kumar
65. Dr Venkataraman, Anantharaman
66. Dr Wee Siew Bock
67. Dr Wong Poo Sing
68. Dr Woon Kai Yong

The names of the 218 Fellows who had tendered their apologies would not be listed.

In attendance: Mr Lee Fook Hong, Lee Fook Hong & Co., Chartered Secretaries & Management Consultants

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

Ms Yong Bee Choon, Deputy Chief Administrator, Academy of Medicine, Singapore

### **1 PREAMBLE**

**1.1** The Master, 2002-2003 Council and Chairman, Dr K Satku 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 (24th) Annual General Meeting held on 29 June 2002:

Dr S Doraisingham (Chapter of Pathologists)  
Dr Ng Kim Swee (Chapter of Anaesthesiologists)  
Dr Yahya Cohen (Chapter of Surgeons)  
Dr Choo Jim Eng (Chapter of Surgeons)  
Dr Alexandre Chao (Chapter of Surgeons)  
Dr Chan Heng Leong (Chapter of Physicians)

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## **2 MINUTES OF THE 24<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING HELD ON 29 JUNE 2002**

The House adopted the minutes of the 24<sup>th</sup> Annual General Meeting held on 29 June 2002, as proposed by Dr Peter Lim and seconded by Dr Low Yin Peng.

## **3 MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES OF THE 24<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**

The House noted that matters arising from the Minutes of the 24<sup>th</sup> Annual General Meeting would be discussed later during the meeting, in connection with the presentation of the 2002-2003 Council's Annual Report (see minutes 4.2 – 4.9 below).

## **4 ANNUAL REPORT OF THE 2002-2003 COUNCIL**

### **4.1 Adoption of the Annual Report of the 2002-2003 Council**

The House adopted the Annual Report of the 2002-2003 Council, as proposed by Dr Abhilash Balakrishnan and seconded by Dr Low Cheng Hock.

### **4.2 Administration (item 5 refers)**

The House was informed that the secretariat was restructured into the following five divisions to improve the administrative functions in the Academy:

- Specialist Training Division
- Professional Development Division
- Publications Division
- Corporate and Congresses Division
- Planning and General Administration Division

Each division is jointly headed by a council member and a member of the secretariat. The restructuring has been functioning smoothly since its implementation in January 2003.

### **4.3 Membership (item 6 refers)**

The House was informed that to date, the current membership of the Academy is 1929. A total of 80 new Fellows were inducted last year during the Opening Ceremony of the 36<sup>th</sup> Singapore-Malaysia Congress of Medicine. Due to the SARS outbreak this year, the Induction Comitia for 71 Fellows was postponed and will be held at a later date.

### **4.4 Strengthening the Medical Professional Bodies (item 11 refers)**

The House understood from the Master that the proposal to strengthen the medical professional bodies was mooted by the Minister of State (Health & Environment), Dr Balaji Sadasivan. The medical professional bodies should jointly play a more important role in continuing professional development. The Academy of Medicine, Singapore together with the Singapore Medical Council and the College of Family Physicians put up a position paper to regulate and propose continuing professional development amongst the specialists and doctors in Singapore.

## **4.5 Restructuring of the Academy (item 12 refers)**

The House was informed that the Academy has currently 10 Chapters. A couple of these Chapters have more than 400 Fellows. The Chapter of Physicians has 15 sub-specialties while the Chapter of Surgeons has 9 sub-specialties. The current constitution has significant restraints on these larger Chapters. There are only 6 committee members in each Chapter and this makes it a very difficult task for the small committee to look into the interest of each sub-specialty. Chapters with a critical mass of a reasonable size would be elevated into Colleges while the smaller Chapters may remain as Chapters.

Dr Walter T L Tan, the Immediate Past Master, circulated a position paper prior the last AGM on formation of Colleges. The Chapters of Physicians and Surgeons had discussed this proposal with the Presidents of the Specialist Societies who had expressed their support. At a meeting together with Dr Walter T L Tan (Immediate Past Master) and Prof Lee Eng Hin (Director, Division of Graduate Medical Studies), the Director of Medical Services Dr Tan Chorh Chuan had also given his verbal support for setting up Colleges for the larger Chapters.

To provide for the setting up of Colleges, the Council is proposing major amendments to the constitution in the Academy's Memorandum and Articles of Association which will be discussed later during the meeting.

The constitution of the Colleges as subsidiaries of the Academy is to be drawn up once the amendments to the Memorandum and Articles of Association are approved by the relevant authorities.

### **4.6 Representation at Annual Meetings of Fraternal Colleges (item 12 refers)**

Dr George Soh enquired on the guidelines pertaining to the Master's Travel Fund. The House was informed that the Master is allocated \$15,000 per Council session from the Common Fund for Advancement of Medicine for travelling expenses to attend international meetings. In the event that the Master is unable to attend the meeting, he may be represented by an appropriate Council member whose travelling expenses will be reimbursed.

The Council approved the following quantum:

Within ASEAN – maximum of \$1,500 per meeting

Outside ASEAN – maximum of \$3,000 per meeting

The House unanimously approved the abovementioned guidelines.

### **4.7 Congress of Medicine (item 14.2 refers)**

The 37<sup>th</sup> Malaysia-Singapore Congress of Medicine will be held in Kuala Lumpur from 4-7 September 2003. The theme for this Congress is "Cancer". Fellows were encouraged to attend this combined Congress.



#### 4.8 **Standing Committees** (item 19 refers)

##### Finance & Establishment Review Committee

The Finance & Establishment Review Committee is a new committee that was set up in the interest of overseeing the finance and development and remuneration of the secretariat. The House noted that staff cost is the single most extensive expense in our budget.

##### Education Committee

The House heard Dr Gilbert SC Chiang, Assistant Master and Chairman, Education Committee, report on the development of some of the CME activities that the Academy is planning in view of the compulsory CME requirements.

The House noted that continuing professional development is one of the Academy's flagship programmes. As this is a major undertaking of the Academy, two secretariat staff members have been assigned to support the Professional Development Division and its Education Committee.

The Academy of Medicine, Singapore is represented by Dr Gilbert SC Chiang and Dr Christopher HK Goh on the SME-CME Coordinating Committee.

The Education Committee of the Academy of Medicine, Singapore advises the Singapore Medical Council (SMC) on the accreditation of core specialty and non-core specialty CME activities.

The Academy is in the process of developing a distance-learning programme for specialists. A trial Paediatric Medicine Distance Learning Programme has been posted on the Academy's website.

The secretariat has also set up an IT Committee to further assist the Education Committee in its endeavours.

#### 4.9 **Annals, Academy of Medicine, Singapore** (item 20 refers)

The Annals still remains the major peer-reviewed publication of the Academy of Medicine, Singapore.

Dr Raj Nambiar enquired on the number of articles received, approved and rejected. The Master requested that these figures be included in the next Annual Report. Dr Felix Sundram, Editor, Annals informed the House that the Board had submitted Annals to the Citation Index for evaluation and would be informed in early 2004 of its Impact Factor. The Master urged Fellows to quote our authors' work for significant articles.

### 5 **AUDITED ACCOUNTS AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2002**

#### 5.1 **Presentations of Accounts and Observations Thereon**

The House

- i) received from Dr Ho Lai Yun, Bursar, a verbal presentation, with the aid of illustrations from slides where appropriate, of the audited accounts of the Academy as at 31 December 2002.

- ii) heard from Dr Ho Lai Yun that a deficit of \$62,400 was incurred for financial year ended 31 December 2002 and a provision was made for doubtful debts amounting to \$101,239 from uncollected subscription fees and other debtors for the period 1996 to 1999.
- iii) heard from the Master that the provision in the Memorandum & Articles of Association for any member who continues to fail to pay such annual subscription for a further year thereafter shall cease to be a member was not carried out. This is because Fellows were not given sufficient notices to pay their subscription as they get to receive only one request to pay their subscription for the year. A proper system should be implemented to regularly remind Fellows, whose subscription is in arrears, to pay up their dues. To improve the collection of subscription, the Council has employed a Finance Executive to revamp the accounting procedures.
- iv) heard from the Master that the new incoming Council will look into inviting specialists who are non-FAMS to join the Academy as Fellows to increase the strength of the Academy.
- v) heard from Dr George Soh requesting the Council to look into providing Fellows convenience of payment for subscription eg. via GIRO and to derive reasonable means to recover bad debts.
- vi) was informed by Dr Ho Lai Yun that explorations will be made to optimise the Academy's finances.
- vii) noted that the Council would continue to look for better ways of investment.

#### 5.2 **Adoption of Accounts**

The House ADOPTED the audited accounts as at 31 December 2002, as proposed by Dr Felix Sundram and seconded by Dr Christopher Goh.

#### 5.3 **Passing of Related Resolutions**

The House passed the following related resolutions:

- i) That Council be authorised to make provisions in the annual audited accounts for debts arising from non-receipt of account receivables that have been outstanding for more than 3 years and other debts that Council may consider doubtful,
- ii) That specific funds for congresses and meetings should be closed within one year of completion of each event, and
- iii) To rename the "Building Fund" the "Building and Endowment Fund".

### 6 **ELECTION OF THE 2003-2005 COUNCIL**

The House

- i) understood that six nominations had been received and accepted by the 2002-2003 Council for the six vacancies on the 2003-2005 Council, as follows:

<b>Nominee</b>	<b>Proposer</b>	<b>Seconded</b>
Dr Chen Fun Gee	Dr Lee Tat Leang	Dr Koh Kwong Fah
Dr Ho Lai Yun	Dr Kandiah Satkunanantham	Dr Abhilash Balakrishnan
Dr Low Cheng Hock	Dr Kandiah Satkunanantham	Dr Chew Chong Lin
Dr George Y W Soh	Dr Kandiah Satkunanantham	Dr Keson B C Tan
Dr Yeo Jin Fei	Dr Ho Lai Yun	Dr Abhilash Balakrishnan
Dr Yeo Seow Heong	Dr Chay Oh Moh	Dr Carolyn E L Tan

- ii) declared all the candidates duly elected,
- ii) recorded a vote of thanks to the Immediate Past Master Dr Walter T L Tan for his support and contribution during the past term, and
- iii) recorded a vote of thanks to the retiring Councillors: Dr Loh Keh Chuan (Censor) and Dr Cheng Jun (Censor).

## 7 APPOINTMENT OF THE MASTER 2003-2004 COUNCIL

The House

- i) heard from the Master his appreciation to his team of Council members and Fellows who had rendered their support to him during the past term,
- ii) noted the names of the 12 office bearers who are eligible for the position of Master,
- iii) received only one nomination for the position of Master 2003-2004 Council:

<b>Nominee</b>	<b>Proposer</b>	<b>Seconded</b>
Dr Kandiah Satkunanantham	Dr Raj Nambiar	Dr Chew Chong Lin

- iii) declared Dr Kandiah Satkunanantham re-appointed unopposed as Master of the 2003-2004 Council.

Dr Kandiah Satkunanantham extended his thanks to Academicians for their support and according him the honour to serve again as Master of the Academy for another term. He called upon the Fellows for their continued support and the Council members to be united in our effort to make the necessary infrastructure changes so that the Academy can serve the Fellows better.

## 8 APPOINTMENT AND REMUNERATION OF AUDITORS 2003-2004

The House

- i) heard from the Master that PricewaterhouseCoopers has been the auditors for the Academy for a number of years. The annual recurring audit fee has been \$8,000. However, the audit fee with effect from this year has been revised and increased to \$10,000.
- ii) noted that the total incurred fees for auditing the accounts ending 31 December 2002 was \$16,000 due to numerous procedures not in place and adhered to. The additional charges were to defray the manpower cost for work done outside the

auditors' normal scope of work.

- iii) noted that the Council had obtained quotations from 3 other audit firms whose fees range from \$2,500 to \$4,500. Further necessary details on each of the firms would be obtained to ensure proper selection of the auditor.
- iv) agreed unanimously to allow the new incoming Council to debate on this and appoint the auditor for the accounts ending 31 December 2003.

## 9 PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO THE MEMORANDUM AND ARTICLES OF ASSOCIATION

The full text of the proposed amendments to the Memorandum and Articles of Association of the Academy was earlier circulated together with the notice and agenda of meeting to members at least 21 days before the AGM.

The House

- i) considered in detail the proposed amendments to the Memorandum and Articles of Association of the Academy,
- ii) agreed that the article pertaining to the admission of Dental Fellows be held in abeyance until further discussions are held on dental specialties,
- iii) passed unanimously the following as special resolutions:
  - 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,
- v) adopted the amendments to the Memorandum and Articles of Association, as proposed by Dr K Satku and seconded by Dr Tan Kok Chai.

## 10 ANY OTHER BUSINESS

Dr Satku thanked all members for attending this meeting and for their support to form Colleges which will allow more Fellows to participate in the activities of the Academy.

There being no other business, the meeting closed at 4.00 pm.

Recorded by: Ms Sophia Wong, Chief Administrator

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# Extraordinary General Meeting Academy of Medicine, Singapore

Minutes of the Extraordinary General Meeting of the Academy of Medicine, Singapore held at 2.00 pm on Saturday, 27 March 2004 at the Clinical Research Centre (CRC) Auditorium, MD11, Faculty of Medicine, National University of Singapore

The following members were present:

1. Ang Bee Leng, Sophia
2. Ang Chong Lye
3. Appan, Shermela
4. Aung Tin
5. Balakrishnan, Abhilash
6. Chan Kin Ming
7. Chan Kwai Lin, Daisy
8. Chang Tou Choong
10. Chen Fun Gee
11. Cheong Wai Kwong
12. Chew Chin Hin
13. Chia Sing Joo
14. Chiang Shih Chuin, Gilbert
15. Choo Chai Teck
16. Chou Ning
17. Chua Eu Tiong
18. Chui Chan Hon
19. Consigliere, David T
20. Eu Kong Weng
21. Fong Kok Yong
22. Go Wee Ser
23. Goh H K, Christopher
24. Goh Soon Whatt, Anthony
25. Gangadhara, Sundar
26. Ho Khek Yu
27. Ho King Hee
28. Ho Tew Hong
29. Hoh Sek Tien
30. Isaac, John Richard
31. Kandiah, Satkunanantham
32. Kelly, Ronan Philip
33. Khoo Poh Choo
34. Khor Jen Lock, Christopher
35. Koh Dow Rhoon
36. Kong Po Marn
37. Lai Fook Onn
38. Lee Chuen Neng
39. Lee Hock Siang
40. Lee Lai Heng
41. Lian Wee Bin
42. Lien Li Choo
43. Lim Boon Leng
44. Lim Choie Cheio, Tchoyoson
45. Lim Li
46. Lim Seng Gee
47. Lim Shih Hui
48. Lim Shun Ping
49. Lim Swee Han
50. Lim Thiam Chye
51. Lim Yean Teng
52. Lim Yu Tang, Aymeric
53. Loo Shi
54. Low Cheng Hock
55. Low Yee
56. Low Yin Peng
57. Nambiar, Raj Mohan
58. Ng S B, Agnes
59. Ng W K, Alan
60. Nyam N K, Denis
61. Oh Min-Sen, Vernon
62. Ong Biauwei Chi
63. Ong Sze Guan
64. Ong Thiew Chai
65. Ong Yong Yau
66. Ooi Choon Jin
67. Pang Weng Sun
68. Pillay, VK
69. Pwee Keng Ho
70. Sae-Lim, Varawan
71. Singh, Dharambir
72. Sitoh Yih Yiow
73. Soh Y W, George
74. Song, Colin
75. Tan Bien Soo
76. Tan Eng Looi, Carolyn
77. Tan Kim Ping
78. Tan Kun Kiaang, Henry
79. Tan P C, Mona
80. Tan T L, Walter
81. Tan Yew Oo
82. Thumboo, Julian
83. Toh Chun Choong, Michael
84. Vaithinathan, B R
85. Venkataraman, Anantharaman
86. Wang Shih-Chang
87. Wong Saw Yeen
89. Wong Yue Sie
90. Yeo Cheo Lian
91. Yeo Jin Fei
92. Yeo Seow Heong, George
93. Yeow K L, Vincent
94. Yong Wei Sean
95. Yong Yeng Keng

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

In attendance:

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

Ms Vivienne Lee, Company Secretary  
(Representing FH Lee Consultants)

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

Ms Yong Bee Choon, Deputy CA, Academy of Medicine,  
Singapore

## 1 PREAMBLE

**1.1** The Master and Chairman, Dr K Satku called the meeting to order at 2.00 pm.

The number of members entitled to vote and present was 95, which exceeded the required quorum of 30 (Article 52).

**1.2** The House noted

i) the existing Articles 42 and 43 as set out in the Academy's Memorandum and Articles of Association with regards to formation of Colleges:

42. A special resolution to form a new College / Chapter must be proposed by the Council for approval by a majority of not less than three-fourths of voting members present at a General Meeting.

43. After the special resolution to form a College / Chapter has been passed by a majority of not less than three-fourths of voting members present at a General Meeting, the Master shall convene the inaugural General Meeting of the College / Chapter within three months of receiving approval from the relevant authorities.

**1.3** The Master also highlighted that the Special Resolutions, if passed by the required majority of not less than three-fourths of voting members present at the meeting, would be submitted to the Minister for Finance, the Comptroller of Income Tax and the Commission of Charities for approval or amendment as they deem appropriate before the Special Resolutions could be implemented.

## 2 SPECIAL RESOLUTION 1

The following resolution was proposed by Dr K Satku and seconded by Dr Chew Chin Hin:

That whereas by virtue of the powers conferred on the Council of the Academy pursuant to Article 36(a) of the Articles of Association of the Academy to convert existing Chapters of different specialties into Colleges or set up Colleges of different specialties within the Academy, authority be and is hereby given to the Council of the Academy to proceed with the incorporation of the following Colleges as companies limited by guarantee subject to the approval of the Minister for Finance, the Comptroller of Income Tax, the Commission of Charities and the Registrar of Companies and Businesses, and any amendments they may require or approve:

- (a) College of Anaesthesiologists
- (b) College of Obstetricians and Gynaecologists
- (c) College of Paediatrics and Child Health
- (d) College of Physicians
- (e) College of Radiologists
- (f) College of Surgeons

In response to a query on the rationale for formation of Colleges and the role of the Academy once the Colleges are incorporated, the Master explained that the Academy had to re-examine its role and formulate a strategy to maintain its position as the leading organisation for medical and dental specialists in Singapore in view of the rapid changes in Medicine in the past few years. The current Academy's constitution has significant restraints on the larger Chapters as it is a very difficult task for the existing small executive committee to look into the interest of each specialty, especially for Chapters with multiple specialties. The formation of Colleges will stimulate and allow for an enhanced role of the various specialties in Training, Examination and Continuing Professional Development of specialists.

The Colleges once incorporated are separate legal entities registered with Registrar of Companies and Businesses with its own Memorandum and Articles of Association and By-Laws. These Colleges will be tasked to take on a leading role in maintaining the standards of practice and developing the respective specialties. The autonomy will allow individual colleges to engage specialty societies and like bodies globally in the provision of specialty-specific continuing professional development activities for its Fellows. As professional bodies, the Colleges should be proactive in taking a leading role in professional development and self-regulation.

With the formation of Colleges, the Academy will continue to:

- a. Develop and maintain uniform requirements and standards for training across all specialties
- b. Represent all specialists in Singapore when dealing with SMC/SDC, MOH, NUS, SMA/SDA, Colleges of GPs, public, etc.
- c. Act as the parent body to handle all policy, legal and administrative issues.
- d. Develop and coordinate non-specialty specific, general CPD activities, for example, programmes on professionalism for the continued professional development of our Fellows.
- e. Explore and develop programmes with the Colleges to re-certify specialists through CPD/CME activities.

By a show of hands, 77 voting members voted for and no members against the above Resolution. The Master then declared that as more than three-fourths of the voting members voted in favour of the Resolution, it was thus carried.

## 3 SPECIAL RESOLUTION 2

The following resolution was proposed by Dr K Satku and seconded by Dr Lai Fook Onn:

That subject to the approval of the Minister for Finance, the

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Comptroller of Income Tax, the Commissioner of Charities and the Registrar of Companies and Businesses, the annexed Memorandum and Articles of Association (Annexure A) be and are hereby adopted for incorporation of the College of Anaesthesiologists with Dr Ho Lai Yun, Dr Chris Goh and Dr Lai Fook Onn as subscribers to the M & A and Dr Lai Fook Onn, Dr Lim Boon Leng, Dr Sophia Ang, Dr Ong Biauwei Chi, Dr Ti Lian Kah, and Dr Yoong Chee Seng as the first interim members of the Council of the College of Anaesthesiologists upon incorporation until the formation of an elected Council at the first Annual General Meeting of the College of Anaesthesiologists.

The Chapter of Anaesthesiologists requested that the relevant articles under the subheading “Specialty Chapters and Sections” be included in the M&A for the College of Anaesthesiologists to provide for the creation of future Chapters and Sections.

By a show of hands, 72 voting members voted for and no members against the above Resolution. The Master then declared that as more than three-fourths of the voting members voted in favour of the Resolution, it was thus carried.

#### **4 SPECIAL RESOLUTION 3**

The following resolution was proposed by Dr K Satku and seconded by Dr Chang Tou Choong:

That subject to the approval of the Minister for Finance, the Comptroller of Income Tax, the Commissioner of Charities and the Registrar of Companies and Businesses, the annexed Memorandum and Articles of Association (Annexure B) be and are hereby adopted for incorporation of the College of Obstetricians and Gynaecologists with Dr Ho Lai Yun, Dr Chris Goh and Dr Chang Tou Choong as subscribers to the M & A and Dr Chang Tou Choong, Dr Ho Tew Hong, Dr Lai Fon Min, Dr Fong Chuan Wee, Dr Jeffrey Low and Dr Ann Tan as the first interim members of the Council of the College of Obstetricians and Gynaecologists upon incorporation until the formation of an elected Council at the first Annual General Meeting of the College of Obstetricians and Gynaecologists .

By a show of hands, 72 voting members voted for and no members against the above Resolution. The Master then declared that as more than three-fourths of the voting members voted in favour of the Resolution, it was thus carried.

#### **5 SPECIAL RESOLUTION 4**

The following resolution was proposed by Dr K Satku and seconded by Dr Shermela Appan:

That subject to the approval of the Minister for Finance, the Comptroller of Income Tax, the Commissioner of Charities and the Registrar of Companies and Businesses, the annexed Memorandum and Articles of Association (Annexure C) be and are hereby adopted for incorporation of the College of Paediatrics and Child Health with Dr Ho Lai Yun, Dr Chris Goh and Dr Quak Seng Hock as subscribers to the M & A and Dr Quak Seng Hock, Dr Anne E K Goh, Dr Steven C Y Ng, Dr Shermela Appan, Dr Daisy KL Chan and Dr Daniel Y T Goh as the first interim members of the Council of the College of Paediatrics and Child Health upon incorporation until the formation of an elected Council at the first Annual General Meeting of the College of Paediatrics and Child Health.

The House noted that the Chapter had deliberated on the naming of the College to follow the current trend worldwide.

By a show of hands, 72 voting members voted for and no members against the above Resolution. The Master then declared that as more than three-fourths of the voting members voted in favour of the Resolution, it was thus carried.

#### **6 SPECIAL RESOLUTION 5**

The following resolution was proposed by Dr K Satku and seconded by Dr Lim Shih Hui:

That subject to the approval of the Minister for Finance, the Comptroller of Income Tax, the Commissioner of Charities and the Registrar of Companies and Businesses, the annexed Memorandum and Articles of Association (Annexure D) be and are hereby adopted for incorporation of the College of Physicians with Dr Ho Lai Yun, Dr Chris Goh and Dr Lim Shih Hui as subscribers to the M & A and Dr Lim Shih Hui, Dr Ho King Hee, Dr Julian Thumboo, Dr Lee Lai Heng, Dr Ooi Choon Jin and Dr Suresh Sahadevan as the first interim members of the Council of the College of Physicians upon incorporation until the formation of an elected Council at the first Annual General Meeting of the College of Physicians.

The House approved the request to remove the Chapter of Emergency Physicians from the Articles of Association as the Emergency Physicians would like to make a formal proposal to form a separate “Chapter of Emergency Physicians” within the Academy of Medicine, Singapore.

By a show of hands, 67 voting members of the remaining 89 attendees voted for and no members against the above Resolution. The Master then declared that as more than three-fourths of the voting members voted in favour of the Resolution, it was thus carried.

#### **7 SPECIAL RESOLUTION 6**

The following resolution was proposed by Dr K Satku and seconded by Dr Tan Bien Soo:

That subject to the approval of the Minister for Finance, the Comptroller of Income Tax, the Commissioner of Charities and the Registrar of Companies and Businesses, the annexed Memorandum and Articles of Association (Annexure E) be and are hereby adopted for incorporation of the College of Radiologists with Dr Ho Lai Yun, Dr Chris Goh and Dr Tan Bien Soo as subscribers to the M & A and Dr Tan Bien Soo, Dr Chua Eu Tiong, Dr Anthony Goh, Dr Tchoyoson Lim, Dr Lee Kim Shang and Dr Samuel Ng as the first interim members of the Council of the College of Radiologists upon incorporation until the formation of an elected Council at the first Annual General Meeting of the College of Radiologists.

By a show of hands, 67 voting members of the remaining 89 attendees voted for and no members against the above Resolution. The Master then declared that as more than three-fourths of the voting members voted in favour of the Resolution, it was thus carried.

## 8 SPECIAL RESOLUTION 7

The following resolution was proposed by Dr K Satku and seconded by Dr Colin Song:

That subject to the approval of the Minister for Finance, the Comptroller of Income Tax, the Commissioner of Charities and the Registrar of Companies and Businesses, the annexed Memorandum and Articles of Association (Annexure F) be and are hereby adopted for incorporation of the College of Surgeons with Dr Ho Lai Yun, Dr Chris Goh and Dr Colin Song as subscribers to the M & A and Dr Colin Song, Dr Eu Kong Weng, Dr Vincent K L Yeow, Dr Low Yin Peng, Dr Li Man Kay and Dr Wee Siew Bock as the first interim members of the Council of the College of Surgeons upon incorporation until the formation of an elected Council at the first Annual General Meeting of the College of Surgeons.

By a show of hands, 74 voting members voted for and no members against the above Resolution. The Master then declared that as more than three-fourths of the voting members voted in favour of the Resolution, it was thus carried.

## 9 SPECIAL RESOLUTION 8

The following resolution was proposed by Dr K Satku and seconded by Dr A Bala:

That the Academy transfer annually to each college 25% of the annual subscriptions of those members who shall be members of the respective College and provide the necessary secretarial support for the first three (3) years following the incorporation of the college.

In response to a query on whether the above support may extend beyond 3 years, the Master clarified that the duration could be reviewed during the third year following the incorporation of the colleges. Should there be any request for an extension, the Academy's Council will make a decision after careful review of the financial status of the Colleges.

The Master added that there would be no levy of entrance fees on Fellows of the Academy who are eligible to be admitted as members into the College. Furthermore, Fellows of the College are not required to pay any annual subscription for the first 3 years to the College upon incorporation. Subsequently, any levy for annual subscription will be determined by the College Council.

Dr George Soh (Assistant Bursar) informed the House that staff costs is the Academy's biggest expenditure. As subsidising the Colleges would create constraints in the Academy's budget, the Colleges should aim to be financially viable in the long run.

On whether the Colleges would be totally independent following the various Royal Colleges and other overseas specialist bodies, the Master remarked that this issue could be discussed and determined in future.

By a show of hands, 71 voting members of the remaining 89 attendees voted for and 1 member against the above Resolution. The Master then declared that as more than three-fourths of the voting members voted in favour of the Resolution, it was thus carried.

## 10 SPECIAL RESOLUTIONS 9

### Special Resolutions 9(i)

The following resolution was proposed by Dr K Satku and seconded by Dr A Bala:

That the outstanding annual dues exceeding three (3) years for members, who are not contactable and not registered with SMC, be written off;

No. of Fellows Involved	Amount to be Written Off
40	\$65,575

That these members will be placed on the suspended list as absent members and will not receive regular mails of the Academy; and

That for re-instatement as FAMS, they must first settle in full all their outstanding dues before re-instatement.

By a show of hands, 70 voting members of the remaining 89 attendees voted for and no members against the above Resolution. The Master then declared that as more than three-fourths of the voting members voted in favour of the Resolution, it was thus carried.

### Special Resolutions 9(ii)

The following resolution was proposed by Dr K Satku and seconded by Dr A Bala:

That the outstanding dues for members above 65 years old be and are hereby written off and that their names will be placed on the suspended list.

No. of Fellows Involved	Amount to be Written Off
12	\$20,350

The House noted that this special resolution has been put up to minimise members reaching the age of 65 to stop paying their annual dues when they are still in active practice. The House also noted that these fellows involved would no longer be entitled to use the FAMS after their names. For re-instatement as FAMS, they must first settle in full all their outstanding dues before re-instatement.

The Fellows involved would be sent a letter to inform them of the above resolution to settle the outstanding amount. Their names will be placed on the suspended list if they fail to settle the dues by the specified date.

By a show of hands, 71 voting members of the remaining 89 attendees voted for and no members against the above Resolution. The Master then declared that as more than three-fourths of the voting members voted in favour of the Resolution, it was thus carried.

### Special Resolutions 9(iii)

The following resolution was proposed by Dr K Satku and seconded by Dr A Bala:

That repeated non-payers be allowed to settle their outstanding dues by instalments of at least 50% of each annual dues in arrears plus the subscription of the current year (i.e. \$250 per each annual dues in arrears) plus \$500 for current year until the sum is paid off.

<b>No. of Fellows with Outstanding Dues (&gt; 3 years)</b>	<b>Amount Owing to AM</b>
<b>88</b>	<b>\$167,100</b>

The House noted the following Article 28 as set out in the Academy's Memorandum and Articles of Association:

28. Any member who fails to pay the annual subscription payable by him within one year of the due date may be required by the Council to pay a late-payment fee, the amount of which shall be determined from time to time by the Council. Any member who continues to fail to pay such annual subscription and such late-payment fee or either of them for a further year thereafter shall cease to be a member and the Scribe shall so inform him in writing. Any such defaulting member shall continue to be liable for any subscription and all arrears due and unpaid at the time of his cessation of membership and for all other monies due by him to the Academy.

In view of the above article, the Council is empowered to terminate the membership of such repeated non-payers of the annual dues. However, Master informed the House that the Council would like to encourage such members to remain in the fold by providing them the option to pay their outstanding dues by instalments.

By a show of hands, 71 voting members of the remaining 89 attendees voted for and no members against the above Resolution. The Master then declared that as more than three-fourths of the voting members voted in favour of the Resolution, it was thus carried.

#### Special Resolutions 9(iv)

The following resolution was proposed by Dr K Satku and seconded by Dr Varawan Sae-Lim:

That the requirement of the contribution to dental literature (i.e. the first author publication) and lecture on dental subjects be removed from the dental admission criteria as set out in Article 7b (ii) in the Academy's Memorandum and Articles of Association.

By a show of hands, 71 voting members of the remaining 89 attendees voted for and no members against the above Resolution. The Master then declared that as more than three-fourths of the voting members voted in favour of the Resolution, it was thus carried.

#### Special Resolutions 9(v)

The following resolution was proposed by Dr K Satku and seconded by Dr Chris Goh:

That all members of the Academy be allowed to indicate their preferred salutations e.g. Prof / Assoc Prof / Dr / Mr / Ms / Mdm.

By a show of hands, 33 voting members present voted in favour of the above Special Resolution and one member voted against it. The Master declared that the Special Resolution was not carried as it had not been approved by more than three-fourths majority.

In response to questions from the floor, the Master enquired from the Company Secretary whether the above Resolution could be passed by a simple majority of 50% as an Ordinary Resolution. The Company Secretary, Lee Fook Hong, clarified that the special resolution as already specified in the Notice which had been sent out to all members could not be changed to an ordinary resolution by only the members present at the meeting.

The Company Secretary further clarified that a resolution could be special or ordinary resolution depending on whether three-fourths or a simple majority of 50% was desired. However, certain resolutions must be passed by not less than three-fourths majority if the Companies Act or the Memorandum & Articles so required. As the resolution about the use of designatory letters was not within the ambit of the Companies Act or the Memorandum & Articles of Association, if the Academy so wished that such a resolution be passed by a simple majority, the Council could for the next Annual General Meeting or Extraordinary General Meeting send out Notice of such meeting specifying that such resolution be considered and if thought fit, passed as an Ordinary Resolution.

The Master thanked all present members for attending the meeting.

There being no other business, the meeting closed at 3.40 pm.

Recorded by : Ms Sophia Wong, Chief Administrator  
 Vetted by : Dr Lee Fook Hong, Company Secretary (Representing FH Lee Consultants) and Dr George Soh, Assistant Bursar  
 7 April 2004

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# Annual Report of the 2003-2004 Council

## 1. THE COUNCIL

The following Council Members were elected to the 2003-2005 Council at the 25<sup>th</sup> Annual General Meeting held on 28 June 2003:

Dr Chen Fun Gee	Dr Ho Lai Yun
Dr Low Cheng Hock	Dr George Soh Yi-Wei
Dr Yeo Jin Fei	Dr George Yeo Seow Heong

Dr Abhilash Balakrishnan, Dr Gilbert S C Chiang, Dr Fock Kwong Ming, Dr Christopher H K Goh, Dr Kandiah Satkunanantham and Dr Tan Kok Chai will retire at the next Annual General Meeting.

## 2. OFFICE-BEARERS

Dr K Satkunanantham was re-elected as Master at the 25<sup>th</sup> Annual General Meeting. Other office-bearers were elected at the first meeting of the 2003-2004 Council on 30 June 2003. They are:

Assistant Master	Dr Ho Lai Yun
Scribe	Dr Christopher H K Goh
Bursar	Dr Abhilash Balakrishnan
Censor-in-Chief	Dr Tan Kok Chai
Censors	Dr Chen Fun Gee
	Dr Gilbert S C Chiang
	Dr Fock Kwong Ming
	Dr Low Cheng Hock
	Dr George Soh Yi-Wei
	Dr George Yeo Seow Heong
	Dr Yeo Jin Fei

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Dr Felix Sundram

The amendments to the Memorandum and Articles of Association, adopted by the House at the 25<sup>th</sup> Annual General Meeting, were approved by the Registrar of Companies on 12 September 2003. These amendments have allowed for the election of a Master-Elect, so that succession planning can be facilitated in the Academy, and secondly allowed for a postal or an electronic ballot for the election of Councillors and Master-Elect.

The Council, under a bye-law, appointed a Nomination Committee, comprising a Past Master, the incumbent Master, an elected Councillor and a Chapter Chairman, to identify a Master-Elect from amongst the elected Councillors.

On 5 January 2004, Dr Low Cheng Hock was declared the Master-Elect. His term of office as Master for 2 years will begin at the 26<sup>th</sup> Annual General Meeting scheduled for 26<sup>th</sup> June 2004.

Dr George Soh was elected as Assistant Bursar.

## 3. CHAIRPERSONS OF CHAPTERS

The following were elected/re-elected Chairmen of the respective Chapters at the Chapter Annual General Meetings:

Anaesthesiologists	Dr Lai Fook Onn
Dental Surgeons	Dr Varawan Sae-Lim
Obstetricians and Gynaecologists	Dr Chang Tou Choong*
Paediatricians	Dr Quak Seng Hock*
Pathologists	Dr Lim-Tan Soo Kim*
Physicians	Dr Lim Shih Hui*
Psychiatrists	Dr Ong Thiew Chai
Public Health and Occupational Physicians	Dr Lee Hock Siang
Radiologists	Dr Tan Bien Soo*
Surgeons	Dr Colin Song*

*\*re-elected*

## 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, the 2003-2004 Council had met 11 times, including a joint meeting with the Council of the Academy of Medicine, Malaysia which was held in Malaysia during the 37<sup>th</sup> Malaysia-Singapore Congress of Medicine.

At the Council Meeting held in January 2004, long-service awards were given to the following staff:

Haji Mohd bin Haji Omar\* (25 years of service)  
Ms Michelle Choy (15 years)  
Ms Marianne Yee (15 years)  
Ms Shanita Nadarajan (10 years)  
Ms Yong Bee Choon (10 years)

*\*retired in December 2003*

## 5. ADMINISTRATION

5.1 To enhance the functions of the Academy, the divisions in the secretariat were again restructured effective 1 January 2004 with corporate related matters subsumed under the Publications Division.

**The Specialist Training Division** oversees the development of residency training programmes currently under the Academy.

Council members in charge:

Dr K Satku (Master) & Dr Low Cheng Hock (Master-Elect)

Staff members:

Ms Sophia Wong (Chief Administrator and Head)  
Ms Pamela Hwee (Project Executive, from 21 July 2003)  
Ms Lim Chien Fang (Project Executive, from 14 July 2003)  
Ms Lisa Li (Project Executive, from 2 January 2004)  
Ms Sarah Tan (Project Executive, from 3 February 2004)  
Ms Grace Teo (Casual Admin Asst, from 5 November 2003)



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

Council members in charge:

Dr Ho Lai Yun (Assistant Master)

Staff members:

Ms Lee Foong Yin (Senior Project Executive and Head)

Ms Koh Ai Ling (Project Executive)

**The Corporate and 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\*. The Division manages corporate related matters as well.

Council member in charge:

Dr Felix Sundram (Editor, *Annals*)

Staff members:

Ms Yong Bee Choon (Senior Editorial Assistant, Deputy Chief Administrator and Head)

Ms Sheila Ng (Editorial Assistant)

*\* The Inaugural Newsletter was published in March 2004. The aims in producing the AMS News are for the membership of the Academy to be better informed of activities of the Academy and to serve as a means of communication between the Council and Fellows.*

**The Conferences and Events Division** deals with the organisation of conferences, and supports the Chapters in their relations with specialist societies.

Council member in charge:

Dr Christopher H K Goh (Scribe)

Staff members:

Ms Sophia Wong (Chief Administrator and Co-Head)

Ms Yong Bee Choon (Deputy Chief Administrator and Co-Head)

Ms Michelle Choy (Project Executive)

Ms Marianne Yee (Project Executive)

Ms Leow Eng Bee (Project Executive, from 16 July 2003)

Ms Shanita d/o Nadarajan (Administrative Assistant)

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

Council members in charge:

Dr A Balakrishnan (Bursar) and Dr George Soh (Asst Bursar)

Staff members:

Ms Sophia Wong (Chief Administrator and Head)

Ms Ho Yen Theng (Finance & Admin Executive, from 5 May 2003)

Ms Liz Lee (Accounts & HR Assistant, from 15 April 2004)

Ms Caroline Lim Ying (Admin Asst, from 14 January 2004)

Ms Kwek Hwee Buay (Casual Administrative Assistant)

Mr Mohd Zaid bin Zakaria (Despatch Clerk, from 19 Dec 2003)

5.2 During this period, the following staff members left:

Project Executive	Ms Nicole Choe (till 20 June 2003)
Accounts Officer	Mr Adzharen Ahmad (till 31 July 2003)
Project Executive	Ms Audrey Phang (till 7 July 2003)
Project Executive	Ms Kay Quah (till 8 August 2003)
Project Executive	Ms Chua Woon Leng (till 8 September 2003)
Despatch Clerk	Mr Mohd Bin Haji Omar (till 31 December 2003)
Project Executive	Ms Rita Kumari (till 31 January 2004)

## 6 MEMBERSHIP

6.1 During the period, 240 new Fellows were admitted. The Council records with sadness the demise of Dr Chan Heng Leong (Fellow) and Professor Tan Sri Ong Guan Bee (Honorary Fellow).

6.2 President S R Nathan, President of the Republic of Singapore and Patron of the Academy of Medicine, Singapore was conferred Honorary Fellowship at the Induction Comitia held on 10 November 2003 at the Ritz-Carlton, Millenia Singapore.

6.3 The total membership of 2030 as at 16 April 2004 comprises:

Local Fellows	866
Overseas Fellows	59
Honorary Fellows	21
Presidents of Royal Colleges (Fellows)	84

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

Anaesthesiologists	145
Dental Surgeons	129
Obstetricians and Gynaecologists	204
Paediatricians	155
Pathologists	55
Physicians	503
Psychiatrists	75
Public Health and Occupational Physicians	94
Radiologists	111
Surgeons	454

## 7. DISTINGUISHED ACADEMICIANS

No distinguished academician was appointed during this period.

## 8. VISITING ACADEMICIANS

8.1 The Chapter of Dental Surgeons appointed one Visiting Academician – Professor William Saunders, Professor of Endodontology, Dean of Dentistry, University of Dundee, Scotland, UK. Professor Saunders gave two lectures entitled “Restoration of Endodontically Treated Teeth” and “Endodontic Surgery” on 19 July 2003 at the Faculty of Dentistry, National University of Singapore.

8.2 The Chapter of Obstetricians and Gynaecologists appointed one Visiting Academician – Professor Stephen C Robson, Professor of Fetal Medicine, Department of Obstetrics and

Gynaecology, University of Newcastle Upon Tyne, Royal Victoria Infirmary, Newcastle, UK. Professor Robson gave two lectures entitled “Randomised Trial of Nuchal Translucency (NT) Screening Versus Biochemical Screening: Prediction of Chromosomal Abnormalities” and “Management of Severe Hypertension and Seizure Prophylaxis in Pre-eclampsia: Recent Advances” on 27 August 2003 at the Training Centre, KK Women’s and Children’s Hospital.

8.3 The Chapter of Radiologists appointed one Visiting Academician – Professor Robert I White, Jr., Director of Yale Vascular Malformation Center and Professor of Diagnostic Radiology of School of Medicine in Yale University, USA. Professor White gave a lecture entitled “What’s New in Embolics?” on 31 October 2003 at the Conference Room, Department of Diagnostic Radiology, Singapore General Hospital.

## 9. ANNUAL INDUCTION COMITIA

The 2003 Annual Induction Comitia was held on 10 November 2003 at the Ritz-Carlton, Millenia Singapore. President S R Nathan, President of the Republic of Singapore and Patron of the Academy of Medicine, Singapore was conferred Honorary Fellowship. 108 new Fellows were admitted to the Academy. Dr Ivor Lim gave a reply on behalf of the new inductees.

Due to the overwhelming response to the Fellowship drive conducted in September 2003, the Council has decided to hold two Induction Comitias for 2004, one on 28 May 2004, back to back with the Joint Meeting of the Royal College of Surgeons of England and the Chapter of Surgeons; and another on 19 August 2004 in conjunction with the Singapore-Malaysia Congress of Medicine. Approximately 200 new Fellows will be officially admitted.

## 10. RESTRUCTURING OF THE ACADEMY

An Extraordinary General Meeting (EOGM) was held on 27 March 2004 to pass the special resolutions for formation of Colleges for the following Chapters:

- (a) Chapter of Anaesthesiologists
- (b) Chapter of Obstetricians and Gynaecologists
- (c) Chapter of Paediatricians
- (d) Chapter of Physicians
- (e) Chapter of Radiologists
- (f) Chapter of Surgeons

The EOGM marks an important milestone of our Academy. Please refer to the minutes of the EOGM in this Annual Report.

## 11. REPRESENTATION AT ANNUAL MEETINGS OF FRATERNAL COLLEGES

11.1 The Master represented the Academy at the following meetings:

- 37<sup>th</sup> Malaysia-Singapore Congress of Medicine, Academy of Medicine of Malaysia, Kuala Lumpur, 4-7 September 2003;

- Annual Conference, The Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons of Canada, Halifax, 11-13 September 2003; and

- 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Congress, Hong Kong Academy of Medicine, Hong Kong, 28-30 November 2003.

11.2 Dr Chee Yam Cheng represented the Academy at the following meeting:

- Annual Session, American College of Physicians, 22-24 April 2004, New Orleans, Louisiana.

11.3 Dr Tan Kok Chai will be representing the Academy at the following meeting:

- Annual Scientific Congress of the Royal Australasian College of Surgeons, 3-7 May 2004, Melbourne.

11.4 The Master received the following invitation but is unable to attend and there will be no representative from the Academy:

- Annual Scientific Meeting of the Royal Australasian College of Physicians, 16-19 May 2004, Canberra.

## 12. CONGRESS OF MEDICINE

### 12.1 37<sup>th</sup> Malaysia-Singapore Congress of Medicine

The Academy of Medicine, Malaysia hosted the 37<sup>th</sup> Singapore-Malaysia Congress of Medicine from 4-7 September 2003 at the Hotel Istana, Kuala Lumpur.

The Chairman of the Organising Committee was Prof Yip Cheng Har. The Congress was held in collaboration with the Malaysian Oncological Society and the Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons of Glasgow.

The highlights of the Congress were the 15<sup>th</sup> Tun Dr Ismail Oration and the 4<sup>th</sup> Tun Hussein Onn Lecture entitled “The Cancer Genome”.

A pre-Congress Inter-Academy golf tournament was held at the Ayer Keroh Golf & Country Club, Melaka. Some 27 golfers from the two Academies took part in the tournament. Dr Nadrul Shah Badaruddin from Malaysia 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’ for team champion.

### 12.2 38<sup>th</sup> Singapore-Malaysia Congress of Medicine

The Singapore-Malaysia Congress of Medicine is being planned by the Academy of Medicine of Singapore to be held from 19-22 August 2004 at the Meritus Mandarin Singapore. The theme of the Congress is “Continuing Professional Development and Professionalism – The Next Lap”. There will be 3 main symposia on Professionalism, Continuing Professional Development and Recertification. The highlights of the Congress include the 17<sup>th</sup> Gordon Arthur Ransome Oration entitled “Patient-Centred Professionalism” to be delivered by Sir Donald Irvine and the 2004 Runme Shaw Memorial Lecture entitled

“Professionalism: An Important Concept In Need of Nurturing” by Dr John McDonald, President, The Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons of Canada.

As this is the most important scientific event of the Academy for 2004, the Chapters are making a concerted effort and will be holding their annual scientific meetings in conjunction with the Congress. The Congress is with the participation of the Hong Kong Academy of Medicine.

The Academy will hold an Induction Comitia of new Fellows during the Opening Ceremony. About 80 Fellows will be conferred the Fellowship of the Academy of Medicine, Singapore. President S R Nathan, President of the Republic of Singapore, will be the Guest-of-Honour at the Opening Ceremony cum Induction Comitia.

### 13. DIVISION OF GRADUATE MEDICAL STUDIES

The Board of Graduate School of Medical Studies has been renamed as the Advisory Committee of the Division of Graduate Medical Studies, National University of Singapore. The following members represent the Academy:

Dr K Satku (Master) (ex-officio)  
Dr Chee Yam Cheng  
Dr Fock Kwong Ming  
Dr Walter T L Tan

### 14. POSTGRADUATE TRAINING PROGRAMMES

The Lee Foundation/Tan Sri Dr Runme Shaw Fellowships in Orthopaedic Surgery

The 2003 Lee Foundation/Tan Sri Dr Runme Shaw Fellowships in Orthopaedic Surgery were awarded to :

January – June	Dr Ajay Aggarwat (Indonesia) Dr Shri Krishna Guri (India)
July – December	Dr Ashok Marundanayagam (India) Dr Bhijeet Wahegaonkar (India)

The 2004 Fellowship recipients are:

January – June	Dr Syafruddin Husin (Indonesia) Dr Ismail (Indonesia)
July – December	Dr Chowdhury Iqbal Mahmud (Bangladesh) Dr Novi Hamzah (Indonesia)

### 15. JOINT COMMITTEE ON SPECIALIST TRAINING (JCST)

The Specialist Accreditation Board (SAB) formally appoints a Joint Committee on Specialist Training (JSCT) 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 1 September 2003 and will end on 31 August 2006. The members are:

Professor Lee Eng Hin (Co-chairman)  
Professor K Satku (Co-chairman)  
Clinical Professor Chee Yam Cheng  
Clinical Professor Low Cheng Hock  
Clinical Professor Fock Kwong Ming  
Clinical Associate Professor Tan Cheng Lim  
Clinical Associate Professor George Yeo Seow Heong  
Professor Kua Ee Heck  
Associate Professor Yeoh Khay Guan

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 (FAMS) upon application. These trainees are also eligible to apply for specialist accreditation by the Specialist Accreditation Board (SAB).

From 1 March 2003 to 28 February 2004, a total of 57 advanced trainees under the charge of the Academy have been certified by the Specialist Training Committees for satisfactory completion of advanced training in their respective specialties.

The first Joint Specialty Fellowship Examination in Orthopaedic Surgery was held in Singapore in November 2003. External examiners from the Royal Colleges of Surgeons of Edinburgh and Hong Kong College of Orthopaedic Surgeons flew in to examine 12 young trainee surgeons. Eight candidates were certified by the Board of Examiners for successful completion of the joint examination.

### 16. STANDING COMMITTEES

#### 16.1 Finance and Establishment Review Committee

The Finance & Establishment Review Committee was set up to review matters pertaining to finance and personnel developments. The Committee is chaired by Dr K Satku (Master) with Dr Ho Lai Yun (Assistant Master), Dr Christopher H K Goh (Scribe), Dr Abhilash Balakrishnan (Bursar) and Dr George Soh (Assistant Bursar) as Members. At the time of writing the Annual Report, the Committee had met 5 times. Dr Low Cheng Hock attended the meetings when he was elected as Master-Elect.

#### 16.2 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 Council, led by Dr K Satku (Master) and Dr Lim Shih Hui (Chairman, Chapter of Physicians), undertook a major review of the Academy's M&A to prepare for the setting up of Colleges. The following Chapters held dialogue sessions with Fellows of their respective Chapters to address queries regarding the M&A of their proposed Colleges:

- (a) Chapter of Anaesthesiologists
- (b) Chapter of Obstetricians and Gynaecologists
- (c) Chapter of Paediatricians
- (d) Chapter of Physicians
- (e) Chapter of Radiologists
- (f) Chapter of Surgeons

### 16.3 Standing Committee on Archives

Dr Chew Chin Hin is Chairman of the Standing Committee on Archives. This committee co-ordinates the documentation of the history of the Academy, its achievements and its plans for future developments. The document will form the basis of a multimedia production on the Academy.

### 16.4 Standing Committee on Congresses

The Academy regularly organises congresses and scientific meetings to enhance the continuing professional development of specialists in Singapore. Each 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 Ho Lai Yun (Chairman), Dr Christopher Goh (Secretary), Dr Yeo Jin Fei (Member) and Dr K Satku (Ex-Officio).

#### Sponsorships of Meetings

Nominal sponsorship was approved for the following meetings:

- 3<sup>rd</sup> Meeting of the Wound Healing Society (Singapore), in combination with SGH's Department of Clinical Research 5<sup>th</sup> Workshop on Advances in Cell Transplantation and its Clinical Applications, 22 –24 August 2003
- NHG Annual Scientific Congress 2004, 9-11 October 2004

#### Travel Assistance

Travel assistance was approved for the following Fellows:

- Dr Tan Bien Keem for presenting two posters entitled, "Scrotal Reconstruction for Fournier's Gangrene" and "Use of the Slit Arteriotomy for End-to-Side Anastomosis in Extremity Reconstruction" at the International Confederation for Plastic, Reconstructive & Aesthetic Surgery in Sydney, Australia from 10 – 15 August 2003
- Dr Andrew George Tay for presenting a paper entitled, "Yield, Proliferation, Post-expansion Differentiation Capacity and Growth Factor Responsiveness of Human Ear, Nasal and Rib Chondrocytes" at the International Society of Craniofacial Surgery in Monterey, California, USA from 21 – 24 September 2003
- Dr Chui Chan Hon for presenting a paper entitled, "The Critical Mediastinal Mass Syndrome in Paediatric Cancers" at the 37<sup>th</sup> Malaysia-Singapore Congress of Medicine in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia from 4 – 7 September 2003

### 16.5 Research/Travelling Fellowships Committee

The Research/Travelling Fellowships Committee is chaired by Dr K Satku (Master) with Dr Ho Lai Yun (Assistant Master), Dr A Bala (Bursar) and Dr Chris Goh (Scribe) 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 Award Committee of the Academy of Medicine of Malaysia.

### 16.6 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.

### 16.7 Education Committee

The Professional Development Division (PDD) reports to the Standing Committee on Continuing Education (Education Committee), chaired by Dr Ho Lai Yun (Assistant Master). The Committee also comprises Dr Christopher H K Goh, Dr Lim Shih Hui and Dr Gilbert S C Chiang, as well as Chapter Chairmen or their appointed representatives.

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

The projects undertaken by the division in 2003 included the feasibility studies for a Distance Learning Programme, a Mass-Emailing service to Fellows and implementation of CME accreditation fees.

#### 2004 Sample Calendars

The 2004 sample calendars for the 35 registered specialties were compiled at the end of 2003 and submitted to the Singapore Medical Council for approval in January 2004. 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.academyofmedicine.edu.sg/continuing/cme.htm>.

#### Accreditation of Specialist CME Activities and Claims

Apart from assisting the Singapore Medical Council 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 Subcommittee**

The Distance Learning Programme (DLP) Subcommittee was formed to look into the provision of content for the proposed DLP. The Subcommittee's representatives are nominated from the different specialties by the respective Chapters. The first meeting was held on 17 September 2003. DLP Modules for Cardiology, Haematology, Rehabilitation Medicine, Public Health & Occupational Medicine, Obstetrics & Gynaecology, Paediatric Medicine, Pathology, Rheumatology, Endocrinology, Gastroenterology, Diagnostic Radiology, Endodontics, Periodontics, Prosthodontics have been compiled to date.

### **Mass-Emailing Service to Fellows**

The plan to disseminate CME notices and Academy's circulars to members via email has been implemented via the Membership Management System. This mass-email service will keep members updated on all programmes run by the Academy.

## **17. ANNALS, ACADEMY OF MEDICINE, SINGAPORE**

The members of the 2003-2004 Editorial Board were Dr Felix X Sundram (Editor & Chairman), Dr Vernon M S Oh (Deputy Editor), Dr Chia Kee Seng (Associate Editor) (until 1 April 2003), Dr Cheah Jin Seng, Dr Terrance SJ Chua, Dr Fock Kwong Ming (until 1 December 2003), Dr Dennis TH Lim (from 1 August 2003), Dr Loke Kah Yin (from 1 August 2003), Dr Wilfred C G Peh (until 27 November 2003), Dr VS Rajadurai (from 11 August 2003), Dr K Satku, Dr Saw Seang Mei (from 31 July 2003), Dr A Vathsala, Dr Yap Hui Kim and Dr Lee Seng Teik (Immediate Past Editor).

The following issues were published and planned for 2003/2004:

### **Published**

Vol 32 No. 1 Jan 2003	Adolescent Health Guest Editor: Dr Loke Kah Yin
Vol 32 No. 2 Mar 2003	Cancer Surgery Guest Editors: Drs Ho Yik Hong, London Lucien Ooi
Vol 32 No. 3 May 2003	Perinatal Medicine Guest Editor: Dr V S Rajadurai
Vol 32 No. 4 Jul 2003	Imaging: Diagnosis & Intervention Guest Editor: Dr Wilfred C G Peh
Vol 32 No. 5 Sept 2003	Recent Advances in Obstetrics & Gynaecology Guest Editors: Drs Chang Tou Choong, A Ilancheran
Vol 32 No. 5 Sept 2003 (Suppl)	Proceedings of the National Healthcare Group (NHG) Annual Scientific Congress 2003, 4-5 October 2003 Guest Editors: Drs Mahesh Choolani, Jeffrey Low

Vol 32 No. 6 Nov 2003	Geriatric Medicine Guest Editors: Drs Philip W J Choo, Pang Weng Sun
Vol 33 No. 1 Jan 2004	Myopia Guest Editors: Drs Saw Seang Mei, Wong Tien Yin
Vol 33 No. 2 Mar 2004	Positron Emission Tomography (PET) Guest Editors: Drs Anthony Goh, David Ng
<b>Planned</b>	
Vol 33 No. 3 May 2004	Free Papers
Vol 33 No. 4 Jul 2004	Cardiovascular Medicine Guest Editors: Drs Terrance SJ Chua, Chua Yeow Leng
Vol 33 No. 4 Jul 2004 (Suppl)	Oral and Maxillofacial Pathology and Medicine Guest Editor: Dr Yeo Jin Fei
Vol 33 No. 5 Sept 2004	Stem Cell and Tissue Engineering Guest Editor: Dr Patrick Tan
Vol 33 No. 5 Sept 2004 (Suppl)	Proceedings of the National Healthcare Group (NHG) Annual Scientific Congress 2004
Vol 33 No. 6 Nov 2004	Free Papers

The number of papers received for the year was 270. Out of which, 197 were accepted for publication (73%), 65 were rejected (24%) and 8 were withdrawn (3%). For the Proceedings of the National Healthcare Group (NHG) Annual Scientific Congress 2003, we published 33 papers and 355 abstracts.

### **New Board Members**

We welcome the following to the Editorial Board: Dr Dennis TH Lim (from 1 August 2003), Dr Loke Kah Yin (from 1 August 2003), Dr VS Rajadurai (from 11 August 2003) and Dr Saw Seang Mei (from 31 July 2003).

### **Members of the Specialist Advisory Panel 2003**

The members of this Panel are Drs Chen Fun Gee, Charles Wah Hak N S Chan, Chang Tou Choong, Khoo Kei Siong, Ling Moi Lin, Mak Koon Hou, Aziz Nather, Tan Bien Soo, Tan Eng King and Ti Teow Yee. We welcome the following to the Panel: Dr J J Mukherjee (from 28 July 2003), Dr Carol Goh (from 14 October 2003), Dr Cheah Wei Keat (from 29 October 2003), Dr Jeyaraj Prema Raj (from 12 January 2004) and Dr Balram Chowbay (from 16 March 2004).

### **Members of the International Advisory Panel 2003**

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

## **ISI Science Citation Index**

Since January 2002, the Annals has been indexed in the Science Citation Index-Expanded, ISI Alerting Services, and Current Contents<sup>®</sup>/Clinical Medicine. The journal will receive its Impact Factor in July or August 2005.

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, the Shaw Foundation and the Pesu B Davar Memorial Charitable Trust for the year 2003.

## **18. REVAMP OF ACADEMY'S WEBSITE**

The Academy's website was revamped on 10 November 2003 with the following objectives:

- (a) To keep members updated on all programmes run by the Academy.
- (b) To enhance the Academy's online professional development activities, such as the distance-learning programme to enable members to access learning modules on our website. The programme will also be open to subscribers, including doctors in developing countries in the region, who have access to the Internet. It will allow all to enjoy the flexibility of learning at their own pace and time. With the launch of the programme, doctors can now obtain the compulsory CME points required by the Singapore Medical Council more conveniently. The renewal of the doctors' practising certificates has been made conditional upon their accumulation of compulsory CME points.
- (c) To make available information regarding our members to doctors and other specialists, and others who may require such information.
- (d) To allow members to update their particulars via the Academy's restricted Fellows' website.

## **19. PILOT PROGRAMME ON SELF-APPRAISAL**

In March 2004, the Academy launched a pilot quality initiative for Fellows. This pilot programme is spearheaded by Dr Calvin Fones, Dr K Satku and Dr Christopher Goh. The focus of this programme is on facilitating self-awareness of core professional competencies. The Programme is open to all members of the Academy and 3 types of questionnaire are available on the Academy's secured website. Access is via member's MCR/DBR number and a generated password issued by the Planning & General Administration Division.

## **20. SEAH CHENG SIANG RESEARCH/TRAVELLING FELLOWSHIPS**

No award was made for 2003.

## **21. 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. No award was made for 2003.

## **22. CHAPTER OF SURGEONS LECTURESHIP**

22.1 Dr Balaji Sadasivan, Minister of State (Health and Transport) delivered the 2003 Chapter of Surgeons Lecture, fourteenth in the series, during the 37<sup>th</sup> Annual Combined Surgical Meeting of the Chapter of Surgeons. The title of the lecture was "Back to Basics".

22.2 The 2004 Chapter of Surgeons Lectureship, fifteenth in the series, will be delivered by Dr Tan Ser Kiat, Group Chief Executive Officer, Singapore Health Services at the 38<sup>th</sup> Singapore-Malaysia Congress of Medicine.

## **23. CHAPTER OF PAEDIATRICIANS LECTURESHIP**

Dr Yap Hui Kim, Head, Department of Paediatric Nephrology Immunology and Urology, National University Hospital will deliver the 4<sup>th</sup> Chapter of Paediatricians Lecture at the 38<sup>th</sup> Singapore-Malaysia Congress of Medicine.

## **24. SEAH CHENG SIANG MEMORIAL LECTURESHIP**

24.1 Dr Alan Colman, Chief Scientific Officer, ES Cell International Pte Ltd delivered the 13<sup>th</sup> Seah Cheng Siang Memorial Lecture entitled "The Rocky Road from Dolly to Human Embryonic Stem Cells: Has It been a Worthwhile and Justifiable Scientific Pursuit?" at the 22<sup>nd</sup> Annual Scientific Meeting of the Chapter of Physicians.

24.2 The 14<sup>th</sup> Seah Cheng Siang Memorial Lectureship will be delivered by Professor Carol M Black, President, Royal College of Physicians (London), UK at the 1<sup>st</sup> Annual Scientific Meeting of the College of Physicians, Singapore (Pending Incorporation) held in conjunction with the 38<sup>th</sup> Singapore-Malaysia Congress of Medicine.

## **25. YAHYA COHEN LECTURESHIP**

Dr Tan Bien Keem, Department of Plastic Surgery, Singapore General Hospital delivered the 8<sup>th</sup> Yahya Cohen Lecture entitled "Formation of Independently Revascularised Bowel Segments using the Rectus Abdominis Muscle Flap: A Rat Model for Jejunal Prefabrication" during the 37<sup>th</sup> Annual Combined Surgical Meeting of the Chapter of Surgeons.

## **26. O & G RESEARCH AWARD**

The O & G Research Award is tenable every three years. The 2002 recipient was Dr Fong Yoke Fai, Department of Obstetrics and Gynaecology, National University Hospital.

## **27. CHAPTER OF SURGEONS' TRAVELLING FELLOWSHIP**

The Chapter of Surgeons' Travelling Fellowship was initiated in 1997 by Dr V K Pillay, a Past Master, who in addition to his own donation, had raised funds from the World Orthopaedic Concern, the Lee Foundation and the Shaw Foundation. The Travelling Fellowship is to enable young surgeons in speciality training to participate in a teaching programme in the Asia Pacific region or to collaborate with medical institutions/colleges in this region in clinical research. No award was made for 2003.

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## 28. MEDALS/BOOK PRIZE FOR MMed/BDS EXAMINATIONS

### 28.1 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 2003.

### 28.2 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. No award was made for the Medal in 2003. However, a Book Prize named after the medal was awarded to Mr Lum Jing Li.

### 28.3 Chapter of Surgeons Gold Medal

The Chapter of Surgeons Gold Medal was established from proceeds of the 23<sup>rd</sup> Annual Combined Surgical Meeting. The Medal is awarded annually to the top candidate in the MMed(Surgery) Examination. No award was made in 2003.

### 28.4 Seah Cheng Siang Gold Medal

The Seah Cheng Siang Gold Medal was established from the Seah Cheng Siang Memorial Fund. The Medal is awarded annually to the top candidate in the MMed(Internal Medicine) Examination. No award was made in 2003.

## 29. PRACTICE GUIDELINES

The Academy, as a body responsible for education and maintaining standards, has taken the lead to issue to its Fellows practice guidelines defining the criteria for the proper use of certain procedures and practices that involve high-technology medicine, and specifying who are qualified to perform them, what training they shall have and the optimal facilities required to use them.

Guidelines on the following have been published:

- (a) IV Contrast
- (b) Autopsy
- (c) Breast Biopsy using Vacuum assisted Devices (such as Mammotome)
- (d) Clinical Indications for Positron Emission Tomography (PET) Scanning
- (e) Diagnostic Radiologists performing percutaneous peripheral angioplasty, peripheral and visceral embolizations and neurovascular interventions
- (f) Ethics of Laboratory Practice
- (g) Gastrointestinal Endoscopy
- (h) Hormone Replacement Therapy
- (i) Laparoscopy and Laparoscopic Cholecystectomy
- (j) Management of Pre-term Labour.
- (k) Pharmaceutical Companies and Doctors in Singapore
- (l) Practice of Mammography

- (m) Professional Responsibilities for PET-CT Imaging
- (n) Radiosurgery and Stereotactic Radiotherapy
- (o) Safe Practice for Investigation and Intervention Procedures
- (p) Surgical Induction of Labour
- (q) Termination of Pregnancy
- (r) Use of Antibiotics
- (s) Use of Antibiotics in Paediatric Care
- (t) Use of Lasers in Medicine
- (u) Use of Magnetic Resonance Imaging in Clinical Medicine (to revise the 1997 version)
- (v) Use of Ultrasound in Medicine

The following Guidelines are under preparation:

- (a) Obesity
  - (b) Review of Use of Antibiotics in Adults
- The following Consensus Statements are under preparation:
- (a) Obstetrics – Management of Pre-eclampsia
  - (b) Obstetrics – Management of Post-partum Haemorrhage
  - (c) Obstetrics – DVT Prophylaxis in Obstetrics and Gynaecology
  - (d) Gynaecology – Management and Evaluation of Menorrhagia (including Management of Fibroids)
  - (e) Gynaecology – Management of Recurrent Early Pregnancy Loss
  - (f) Gynaecology – Evaluation of women with Urinary Incontinence

## 30. 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 possible expansion of the current premises should more space become necessary with the formation of the Colleges (pending incorporation).

## 31. 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.

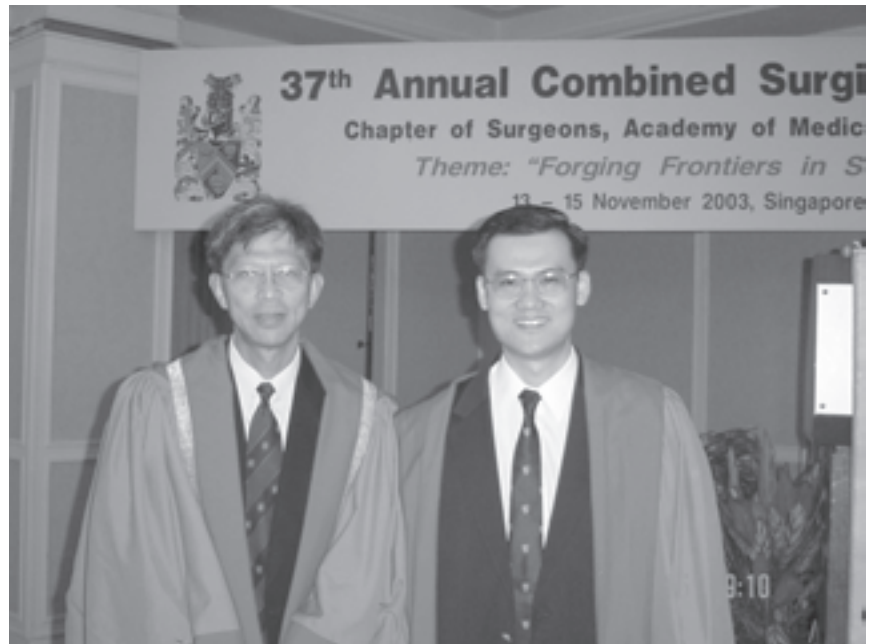
The Academy records its deep appreciation to the following organisations which have made significant donations to the Academy in 2003-2004: The Lee Foundation, The Shaw Foundation, Kwan Im Thong Hood Cho Temple and Pesi Davar Memorial Trust.

30 April 2004

Dr Christopher H K Goh  
Scribe  
on behalf of 2003-2004 Council



◀ Dr Chow Khuen Wai, Past Master, Academy of Medicine, Singapore delivering the Inaugural F Y Khoo Lectureship entitled "Reflections of a Septuagenarian - Radiology: Past, Present and Future" at the 13th Annual Scientific Meeting of the Chapter of Radiologists, Academy of Medicine, Singapore and the Singapore Radiological Society.



▶ Dr Tan Bien Keem (right) 8th Yahya Cohen Lecturer, with Dr Tan Kok Chai, Censor-in-Chief, after delivery of his lecture entitled "Formation of Independently Revascularised Bowel Segments Using the Rectus Abdominis Muscle Flap: A Rat Model for Jejunal Prefabrication".



◀ Dr Balaji Sadasivan, (2<sup>nd</sup> from left) 14th Chapter of Surgeons Lecturer, with (from left) Dr Vincent Yeow, Organising Chairman of the Meeting and Secretary, Chapter of Surgeons, Dr K Satku, Master and Dr Colin Song, Chairman, Chapter of Surgeons.





◀ Dr Alan Colman (middle) 13th Seah Cheng Siang Memorial Lecturer, with Dr Lim Shih Hui (left) Chairman, Chapter of Physicians and Dr K Satku (right) Master after delivery of his lecture entitled "The Rocky Road from Dolly to Human Embryonic Stem Cells: Has it been a Worthwhile and Justifiable Scientific Pursuit?"

Picture at the 9th Annual Scientific Meeting of the Chapter of Public Health and Occupational Physicians (from left) Dr David Koh, Head Department of COFM, NUS; Dr Lee Hock Siang, Chapter Chairman; Dr Lee Lay Tin, President, Occupational and Environmental Health Society; Ms Yong Ying-I, Guest-of-Honour; Dr Gregory Chan, Organising Chairman and Secretary of Chapter and Dr Magdalene Chan.

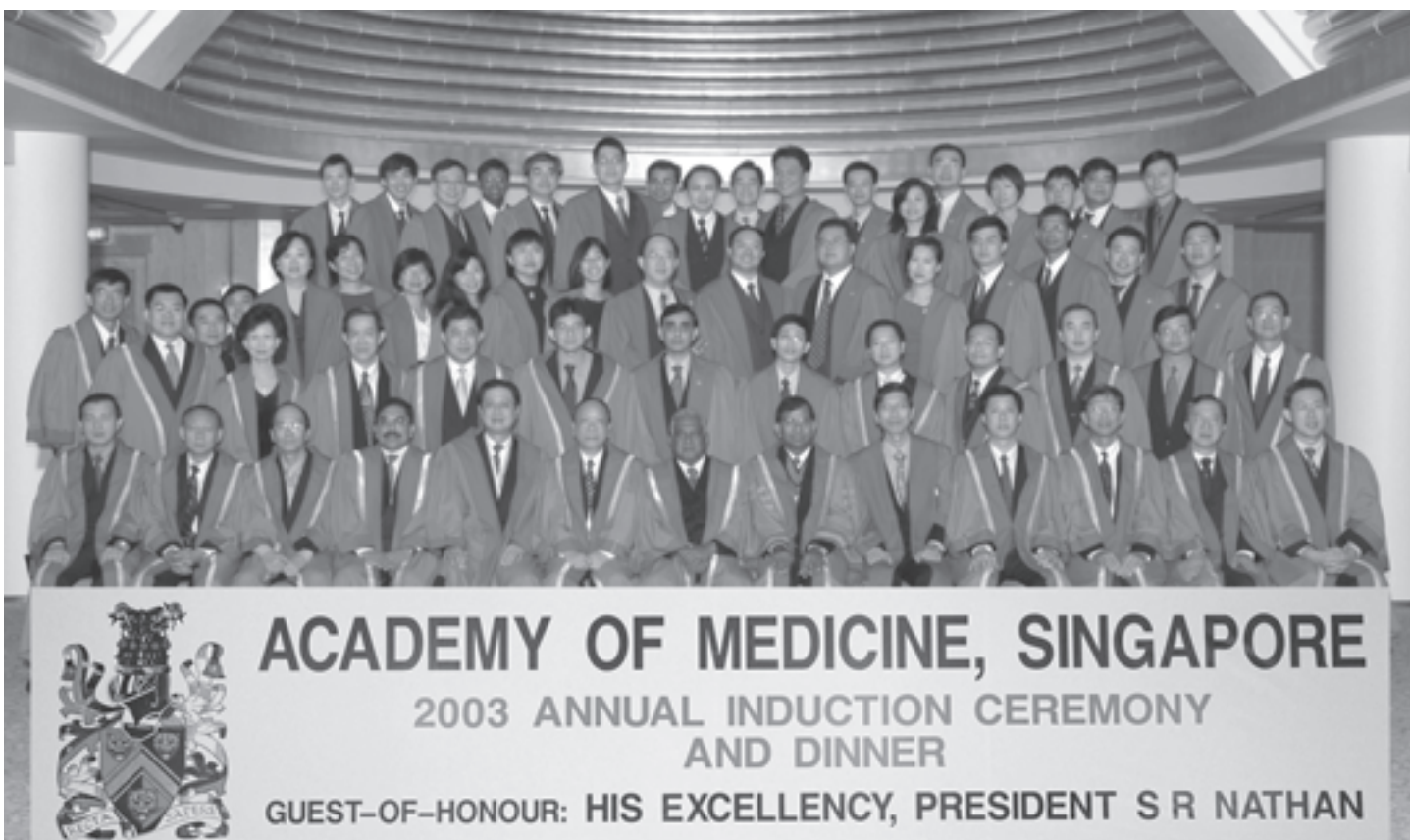


Picture at the opening of the 1<sup>st</sup> International Scientific Meeting of the ISUOG, organised by the International Society of Ultrasound in O&G, Chapter of Obstetricians and Gynaecologists and Obstetrical & Gynaecological Society of Singapore (from left) Dr Charles Ng, Advisor; Dr Kelvin Tan, Organising Co-Chairman; Dr Lee Keen Whye, Organising Committee Member and President, OGSS; Dr George S H Yeo, Organising Chairman; Dr Balaji Sadasivan, Guest-of-Honour; Professor Karel Marsal, President, ISUOG; Dr Chang Tou Choong, Chairman, Chapter of O&G and Professor Sturla Eik-Nes, Immediate Past President, ISUOG.





2003 - 2004 Council with the Guest-of-Honour, President SR Nathan and Mrs Nathan; Mr Khaw Boon Wan, Minister for Health and Mrs Khaw; Dr Tan Chorh Chuan, Director of Medical Services; Dr Tan Ser Kiat, CEO, Singapore Health Services and Past Master, and Past Masters at the 2003 Annual Induction Ceremony and Dinner on 10 November 2003.



2003 - 2004 Council and President SR Nathan with inductees from the Chapters of Radiologists and Surgeons at the 2003 Annual Induction Ceremony and Dinner on 10 November 2003



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2003 - 2004 Council and President SR Nathan with inductees from the Chapters of Anaesthesiologists, Dental Surgeons, Obstetricians and Gynaecologists, Paediatricians, Psychiatrists and Public Health and Occupational Physicians at the 2003 Annual Induction Ceremony and Dinner on 10 November 2003



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2003 - 2004 Council and President SR Nathan with inductees from the Chapters of Pathologists and Physicians at the 2003 Induction Ceremony and Dinner on 10 November 2003

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# Appendices

## NEW MEMBERS

The following 230 Academicians were admitted to Fellowship of the Academy of Medicine, Singapore for the period September 2003 – March 2004:

### Chapter of Anaesthesiologists

CHONG Yeen Yoong	NG Hui Nai
CHUA Ping Ping, Nelson	NGIAM Shih Kwang, Kelvin
JONG Khi Min, Winston	SEOW Lay Tin
LEE Shing Cheung, Alex	TAN Song Tuen
LIU Hern Choon, Eugene	WONG Kahoe
LOW Cheng Tee, Edwin	

### Chapter of Dental Surgeons

ANG Poh Kang (Orthodontics)  
CHNG Hui Kheng (Endodontics)  
FAN Tai Weng, Victor (Oral & Maxillofacial Surgery)  
HSU Chin-Ying, Stephen (Paediatric Dentistry)  
KOH Chay Hui (Orthodontics)  
KWA Chong Teck (Oral Pathology)  
LIM Sor Kheng (Endodontics)  
NEO Tee Khin (Prosthodontics)  
ONG Hoe Boon (Orthodontics)  
SIM Peng Chuan, Timothy (Endodontics)  
SOH Jen (Orthodontics)  
TAN Hee Hon (Prosthodontics)  
TAN Wee Kiat (Paediatric Dentistry)  
THEAN Pik Yen, Hilary (Prosthodontics)  
TSENG Seng Kwong, Patrick (Endodontics)  
YEONG Ming Geok, Patricia (Orthodontics)  
YOW, Mimi (Orthodontics)

### Chapter of Obstetricians & Gynaecologists

Denas Chandra s/o	LEE Kim Kwong
BIPIN Chandra	LEE Lih Charn
CHOO Wan Ling	LEE Puay Hoon, Julinda
CHUA Hong Liang	NG Shwu Yong, Esther
GEORGE, Mariamma	THONG Pao Wen
HAN Chih Chih, Cordelia	TIWARI, Satya Dhama
HAN How Chuan	TSENG Seng Loke, Paul
HENG Tung Lan	WIDJAJA, Kusuma
JACOB, Shirin Carmel Marie	WONG Chun Ping
KALAICHELVAN, Vanaja	WOO Bit Hwa
KOH Chung Fai	YONG Tze Tein

### Chapter of Paediatricians

HO Pui San	RACHMAT Rafael Ta
JOSEPH, Roy	Sioe Tjin
KIING Sie Hee, Jennifer	TAN Boon Shya
KHOO Poh Choo	TAN Lay Zye
KIRK, Charles Richard	TAN Swee Lin, Allyson
LIM Peck Neo, Lillian	TANG Poh Lin, Jenny
NG Chi Fan	VAN BEVER, Hugo P S
ONG Eng Keow	YAP Kian Mo

### Chapter of Pathologists

AW Tar Choon	NG Siok Bian
CHAN Kwai Peng	SETHI, Sunil Kumar
KUMARASINGHE, Marian Priyanthi	TAN Hwan Cheong, Leonard
KWAN Yin Wai, Carol	TEO Lay Tin, Diana
	YEO Chin Pin

### Chapter of Public Health and Occupational Physicians

FONG Yuke Tien (Occupational Medicine)  
FREAN, Andrew Charles George (Occupational Medicine)  
KWEK Poh Lian (Public Health Medicine)  
LEE Chien Earn (Public Health)  
LOH Yik Hin (Public Health)  
PWEE Keng Ho (Public Health Medicine)  
SANN, Myint Myint (Public Health Medicine)  
SOH Eng Liong, Lawrence (Occupational Medicine)  
TOH Cheong Mui, Mona (Public Health)  
YUEN Chuen Fong, Raymond (Occupational Medicine)

### Chapter of Physicians

Fatimah binte ABDUL LATEEF (Emergency Medicine)  
AU Wing Lok (Neurology)  
CHAI Ping (Cardiology)  
CHAM Wai Ming, Gregory (Emergency Medicine)  
CHAN Guek Cheng, Noreen (Internal Medicine)  
CHEW Tec Huan, Stephen (Renal Medicine)  
CHAN Choong Meng (Renal Medicine)  
CHIONH Siok Bee (Endocrinology)  
CHONG Mei Sian (Geriatric Medicine)  
CHONG Vui Heng (Gastroenterology)  
CHUA Tju Siang (Gastroenterology)  
DAN Yock Young (Gastroenterology)  
DEB, Binayak (Cardiology)  
FOO Wai Yin, Marjorie (Renal Medicine)  
FUNG Ho Lau, Patrick (Internal Medicine)  
GAN Hwa Chau (Renal Medicine)  
GOH Pak Liang (Emergency Medicine)  
HIONG Sing, Anthony (Internal Medicine)  
KANDIAH David Arumaisingam (Rheumatology)  
KELLY, Ronan Philip (Internal Medicine)  
KOH Siam Soon, Philip (Cardiology)  
KON Yin Chian (Endocrinology)  
KOR Ai Ching (Respiratory Medicine)  
KUMARASINGHE, Sujith Prasad Wanniarachchi (Dermatology)  
LAM Ying-Nam, Fred (Renal Medicine)  
LEE Chi Hang (Cardiology)  
LEOW Khee Shing, Melvin (Endocrinology)  
LIEN Tsung Chien, Christopher (Geriatric Medicine)  
LIM Cheok Peng (Cardiology)  
LIM Poh-Lian (Infectious Diseases)  
LIM Wee Shiong (Geriatric Medicine)  
LIM Yen Teak, Victor (Cardiology)  
MAMUN, Kaysar (Geriatric Medicine)  
MOOPPIL, Nandakumar (Renal Medicine)  
MUKHOPADHYAY Amartya (Respiratory Medicine)  
NG Heng Joo (Haematology)  
NG Khee Lim (Gastroenterology)  
PAN Beng Siong, Andrew (Neurology)  
PANG Shiu Ming (Dermatology)  
PINHEIRO, Leslie (Internal Medicine)  
POH Kian Keong (Cardiology)

R, Ponampalam (Emergency Medicine)  
SEAH Soek Tin, Angeline (Geriatric Medicine)  
SEE Hui Ti (Medical Oncology)  
SIM Tiong Peng (Emergency Medicine)  
SOO Lai Kit, Ross (Medical Oncology)  
SUHAIL Sufi (Renal Medicine)  
SUTANDAR, Antono (Cardiology)  
TAMBYAH, Paul Anantharajah (Infectious Diseases)  
TAN Chew Seng, Louis (Neurology)  
TAN Wee Ping (Emergency Medicine)  
TRAVERS, James Peregrine (Emergency Medicine)  
VASOO, Sheila Sushilan (Rheumatology)  
VENKATESWARAN, Sridhar (Respiratory Medicine)  
WILDER-SMITH Einar Patrick Vincent (Neurology)  
WISE, Stephen Douglas (Internal Medicine)  
WONG En Hou, Philip (Cardiology)  
WONG, Evelyn (Emergency Medicine)  
WONG Seng Weng (Medical Oncology)  
WONG Sung Lung, Aaron (Cardiology)  
WONG Zee Wan (Medical Oncology)

#### **Chapter of Psychiatrists**

ANG Peng Chye  
HONG Pei Hsia, Clarice  
KHARE, Chandrashekhar Bhalchandra (Psychiatry)  
LEE Cheng (Psychiatry)  
LEE Mei Ying, Theresa (Psychiatry)  
LIOW Pei Hsiang (Psychiatry)  
NGUI Tet Shin, Francis (Psychiatry)  
Parvathy d/o PATHY (Psychiatry)  
PHANG Boon Chye, Stephen (Psychiatry)  
WANG Chee Cheng, Adrian (Psychiatry)  
WINSLOW, Rasaiah Munidasa (Psychiatry)  
WONG Meng Kong (Psychiatry)

#### **Chapter of Radiologists**

BACK, Michael Frederick (Therapeutic Radiology)  
CHAN Lai Peng (Diagnostic Radiology)  
CHEN K'o Wen, Kevin (Diagnostic Radiology)  
CHEONG Seng Giap, Eddy (Diagnostic Radiology)  
CHNG Soke Miang (Diagnostic Radiology)  
CHONG Bee Kiang (Diagnostic Radiology)  
KAW Jon Leng, Gregory (Diagnostic Radiology)  
KENG Han Weng, Gilbert (Nuclear Medicine)  
KHOO TAN Hoon Seng (Therapeutic Radiology)  
KOAY Lok Hin (Diagnostic Radiology)  
KWEK Boon Han (Diagnostic Radiology)  
KWEK Jin Wei (Diagnostic Radiology)  
LIM Teh Aun (Diagnostic Radiology)  
LOONG Li Er, Susan (Therapeutic Radiology)  
MUKHERJEE, Rahul Kumar (Therapeutic Radiology)  
ONG Chiou Li (Diagnostic Radiology)  
PARAMESVARAN, Kumarasamy (Diagnostic Radiology)  
QUEK Swee Tian (Diagnostic Radiology)  
SHAHID, Mahmood (Nuclear Medicine)  
SIM Shao-Jen, Llewellyn (Diagnostic Radiology)  
TAN Lay Suan, Esther (Diagnostic Radiology)  
TAN How Ming (Diagnostic Radiology)  
TAN Hui Kian (Diagnostic Radiology)  
TEO Ngee (Diagnostic Radiology)  
TSENG Yeh, Gavin (Diagnostic Radiology)  
WANSAICHEONG Khin-Lin, Gervais (Diagnostic Radiology)  
YAP Yan Ling, Jennifer (Diagnostic Radiology)

#### **Chapter of Surgeons**

ANG Chong Lye (Ophthalmology)  
APPASAMY, Vijayan (General Surgery)  
AUNG Tin (Ophthalmology)  
CHEONG Wai Kit (General Surgery)  
CHEOW Peng Chung (General Surgery)  
CHEW Tec Kuan, Paul (Ophthalmology)  
CHIANG, Currie (Ophthalmology)  
CHOU Ning (Neurosurgery)  
FAM Han Bor (Ophthalmology)  
FONG Shee Yan (Orthopaedic Surgery)  
GOH Yu-Ching, Keith (Neurosurgery)  
HENG Chin Tiong (Urology)  
HO Siew Hong (Urology)  
HOH Sek Tien (Ophthalmology)  
HONG Alvin (Neurosurgery)  
IBRAHIM Salleh (General Surgery)  
KAGDA Fareed Husain Yusuf (Orthopaedic Surgery)  
KHNG Yen Wei, Christopher (Ophthalmology)  
KOH Chi Siong, Dean (General Surgery)  
KOJODJOJO, Suwandi (KO Eng Soan) (General Surgery)  
LAU Pang Cheng, David (Otorhinolaryngology)  
LEE Yew Chung, Peter (Orthopaedic Surgery)  
LEOW Chon Kar (General Surgery)  
LIAU Kui Hin (General Surgery)  
LIM Jane (Plastic Surgery)  
LIM Thiam Chye (Plastic Surgery)  
LIM Tock Han, Albert (Ophthalmology)  
LIM Wee Kiak (Ophthalmology)  
LIM Yeong Phang (Cardiothoracic Surgery)  
LIM Yu Tang, Aymeric (Hand Surgery)  
LOH Pek Har (Ophthalmology)  
LOH Ser Kheng, Dale Lincoln (Paediatric Surgery)  
NATHAN, Saminathan Suresh (Orthopaedic Surgery)  
PADMANABHAN, Vishwanath (Ophthalmology)  
PENG Yeong Pin (Hand Surgery)  
SUNDAR Gangadhara J K (Ophthalmology)  
TAN Soo Heong (Hand Surgery)  
TAN Teing Ee (Cardiothoracic Surgery)  
TAN Teng Kok (General Surgery)  
TAN Yu-Meng (General Surgery)  
TAY Shian Chao, Vincent (Hand Surgery)  
THAMBIAH, Joseph Shanthakumar (Orthopaedic Surgery)  
VOON Li Wern (Ophthalmology)  
WONG Kutt Sing (General Surgery)  
WONG Yue Sie (Orthopaedic Surgery)  
YIP Chee Chew (Ophthalmology)  
YUE Wai Mun (Orthopaedic Surgery)

#### **Members of Specialist Training Committees for the term 1 September 2002 – 31 August 2004**

Anaesthesiology

##### **Professor Lee Tat Leang**

Dr Eugene Y R Chin  
Assoc Professor Chen Fun Gee  
Dr Koay Choo Kok  
Dr Thomas W K Lew  
Dr Agnes S B Ng  
Dr Ong Biauwei Chi

Cardiology

##### **Professor Lim Yeap Teng**

Professor Chia Boon Lock  
Assoc Professor Koh Tian Hai  
Assoc Prof Ng Kheng Siang  
Dr Tan Kok Soon  
Dr Low Lip Ping

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Gastroenterology	<b>Professor Fock Kwong Ming</b> Dr Lim Chee Chian Assoc Professor Lim Seng Gee Dr Ng Han Seong Assoc Professor Ng Keng Yeen Assoc Professor Yeoh Khay Guan	Neurosurgery	<b>Cl Assoc Professor Ong Peck Leong</b> Dr Chumpon Chan Dr Ho Kee Hang Dr Seow Wan Tew Dr Yeo Tseng Tsai
General Surgery	<b>Cl Assoc Professor Soo Khee Chee</b> Dr Michael N Y Hoe Assoc Professor Adrian P K Leong Cl Professor Low Cheng Hock Dr Ngoi Sing Shang Cl Assoc Professor London Lucien Ooi Cl Assoc Professor Francis C Seow	Nuclear Medicine	<b>Dr Felix Sundram</b> Dr Ang Ee Sin Dr Anthony S W Goh Dr Yvonne Y W Ho
Geriatric Medicine	<b>Cl Assoc Professor Philip W J Choo</b> Dr Ding Yew Yoong Dr Ee Chye Hua Dr Pang Weng Sun Dr Carol Y E Goh Dr Yap Keng Bee	Obstetrics and Gynaecology	<b>Cl Assoc Professor George S H Yeo</b> Dr Chang Tou Choong Cl Assoc Professor Ho Tew Hong Dr Mary Rauff Dr John C S Tee Assoc Professor Wong Peng Cheang Dr Yu Su Ling
Haematology	<b>Cl Assoc Professor Patrick H C Tan</b> Dr Goh Yeow Tee Dr P Kuperan Dr Lee Lai Heng Dr Liu Te Chih Dr Ronald P Ng	Occupational Medicine	<b>Professor David S Q Koh</b> Dr Magdalene O Y Chan Assoc Professor Chia Kee Seng Assoc Professor Chia Sin Eng Adj Assoc Professor Lee Hock Siang Dr Lee See Muah Col (Dr) Richard Tan
		Ophthalmology	<b>Dr Ang Chong Lye</b> Dr Pauline Y Y Cheong Assoc Professor Paul Chew Dr Ong Sze Guan Assoc Professor Donald T H Tan Dr Ronald L S Yeoh Dr Victor S H Yong

Orthopaedic Surgery	<b>Cl Assoc Professor Tay Boon Keng</b> Assoc Professor V Prem Kumar Dr Khong Kok Sun Dr Low Boon Yong Dr Low Yin Peng Professor Shamal Das De Dr Tan Seang Beng	Renal Medicine	<b>Professor Woo Keng Thye</b> Dr Lina Choong Assoc Professor Evan J C Lee Dr Grace S L Lee Dr Sivaraman Pary Dr Wong Kok Seng
Otorhinolaryngology	<b>Cl Assoc Professor Low Wong Kein</b> Dr A Balakrishnan Dr Peter K S Lu Assoc Professor Luke K S Tan Dr Samuel Yeak Cl Professor Yeoh Kian Hian	Respiratory Medicine	<b>Assoc Professor Sonny Y T Wang</b> Dr Cynthia B E Chee Assoc Professor Philip C T Eng Professor Lee Kang Hoe Assoc Professor Lim Tow Keang Dr K N Sin Fai Lam
Paediatric Medicine	<b>Professor Low Poh Sim</b> Cl Assoc Professor Ho Lai Yun Cl Assoc Professor June Lou Dr Lee Bee Wah Assoc Professor Quak Seng Hock Professor Yap Hui Kim	Rheumatology	<b>Cl Professor Feng Pao Hsii</b> Dr Boey Mee Leng Cl Assoc Professor Chng Hiok Hee Assoc Professor Fong Kok Yong Dr Ng Swee Cheng
Paediatric Surgery	<b>Assoc Professor K Prabhakaran</b> Dr Cheah Siew Leng Dr Anette Jacobsen Cl Assoc Professor V T Joseph Dr Sim Chiang Khi	Therapeutic Radiology	<b>Dr Vijay Sethi</b> Dr Michael Back Dr Chua Eu Tiong Dr Thomas Shakespeare Dr Christopher Wynne Dr Yang Tuck Loong
Pathology	<b>Cl Assoc Professor Gilbert S C Chiang</b> Dr Angela P Y Chong Assoc Professor Chong Siew Meng Dr Gilbert Lau Dr Ivy T Y Sng Assoc Professor Sunil Sethi Dr Mavis G C Yeo	Urology	<b>Cl Assoc Professor Foo Keong Tatt</b> Dr Christopher W S Cheng Dr Chia Sing Joo Assoc Professor Li Man Kay Dr Ng Foo Cheong Dr Tan Eng Choon
Plastic Surgery	<b>Dr Tan Kok Chai</b> Dr Fong Poh Him Dr Foo Chee Liam Cl Assoc Professor Lee Seng Teik Dr Lim Thiam Chye	<b>MEDICAL CONGRESSES AND SCIENTIFIC MEETINGS/ WORKSHOPS ORGANISED /SERVICES BY THE ACADEMY IN 2004-2005</b>	
Psychiatry	<b>Professor Kua Ee Heok</b> Dr Ang Ah Ling Assoc Professor Ko Soo Meng Dr Lim Yun Chin Cl Assoc Professor Ong Thiew Chai Cl Assoc Professor Wong Kim Eng	<b><u>Dates</u></b>	<b><u>Meeting Name</u></b>
Public Health	<b>Professor Lee Hin Peng</b> Dr Arthur S C Chern Cl Assoc Professor Goh Kee Tai Dr Lam Sian Lian Assoc Professor Lim Meng Kin Dr Ling Sing Lin Assoc Professor Wong Mee Lian	<b>Year 2004</b>	
Rehabilitation Medicine	<b>Dr William W L Chan</b> Dr Chan Kay Fei Dr Karen S G Chua Dr Peter A C Lim Dr Sherry H Y Young	21 – 22 February	13 <sup>th</sup> Annual Scientific Meeting <i>Chapter of Radiologists, Academy of Medicine, Singapore and Singapore Radiological Society</i>
		12 –13 March	*Casemix Conference Singapore 2004
		21 – 24 March	1 <sup>st</sup> International Scientific Meeting of the International Society of Ultrasound in Obstetrics and Gynaecology <i>Chapter of Obstetricians and Gynaecologists, Academy of Medicine, Singapore and Obstetrical and Gynaecological Society of Singapore</i>
		17 April	9 <sup>th</sup> Annual Scientific Meeting <i>Chapter of Public Health and Occupational Physicians</i>

27 – 28 May	1 <sup>st</sup> Joint Meeting <i>Chapter of Surgeons, Academy of Medicine, Singapore and the Royal College of Surgeons of England</i>	July	16 <sup>th</sup> Annual Scientific Meeting <i>Chapter of Pathologists, Academy of Medicine, Singapore</i>
11 – 13 June	Diagnostic Cytopathology Workshop <i>Chapter of Pathologists, Academy of Medicine, Singapore</i>	August	9 <sup>th</sup> Postgraduate Refresher Course in Obstetrics and Gynaecology <i>Chapter of Obstetricians and Gynaecologists, Academy of Medicine, Singapore and Obstetrical and Gynaecological Society of Singapore</i>
11-14 August	8 <sup>th</sup> Postgraduate Refresher Course in Obstetrics and Gynaecology <i>Chapter of Obstetricians and Gynaecologists, Academy of Medicine, Singapore and Obstetrical and Gynaecological Society of Singapore</i>	August	39 <sup>th</sup> Singapore-Malaysia Congress of Medicine
19 – 22 August	38 <sup>th</sup> Singapore-Malaysia Congress of Medicine incorporating	August	15 <sup>th</sup> General Scientific Meeting <i>Chapter of Anaesthesiologists, Academy of Medicine, Singapore and Singapore Society of Anaesthesiologists</i>
	14 <sup>th</sup> General Scientific Meeting <i>Chapter of Anaesthesiologists, Academy of Medicine, Singapore and Singapore Society of Anaesthesiologists</i>	<b>EDUCATION COMMITTEE</b>	
	8 <sup>th</sup> Annual Scientific Meeting <i>Chapter of Paediatricians, Academy of Medicine, Singapore</i>	Chairman	Dr Ho Lai Yun (ex-officio)
	**1 <sup>st</sup> Annual Scientific Meeting <i>College of Physicians, Singapore</i>	Members	Dr Christopher H K Goh Dr Lim Shih Hui Dr Gilbert S C Chiang
	38 <sup>th</sup> Annual Combined Surgical Meeting <i>Chapter of Surgeons, Academy of Medicine, Singapore</i>	Chapter Representatives	Dr Lai Fook Oon (Anaesthesiologists) Dr arawan Sae-Lim (Dental Surgeons) Dr Ann S A Tan (Obstetricians & Gynaecologists) Dr Quak Seng Hock (Paediatricians) Dr Lim-Tan Soo Kim (Pathologists) Dr Saw Seang Mei (Public Health & Occupational Physicians) Dr Samuel Ng (Radiologists) Dr Colin Song (Surgeons)
21 August	15 <sup>th</sup> Annual Scientific Meeting <i>Chapter of Pathologists, Academy of Medicine, Singapore</i>	<b>SPECIALTY RESOURCE SUBCOMMITTEE</b>	
	<i>*This meeting is served by the Convention Secretariat of the Academy</i> <i>** pending incorporation</i>	Anaesthesiology	Dr Eugene Chin Dr Chong Jin Long Dr Koh Kwong Fah Dr Saw Win Min
<b>Year 2005</b>		Cardiology	Dr Terrance S J Chua Dr Koh Tian Hai Dr Lim Yean Teng Dr Low Lip Ping Dr Ng Kheng Siang
28 – 30 January	5 <sup>th</sup> Regional MRCOG Part 2 Exam Course, Singapore 2005 <i>Chapter of Obstetricians and Gynaecologists, Academy of Medicine, Singapore</i> <i>RCOG Singapore Representative Committee and KKH Exam Oriented Training Committee</i>	Cardiothoracic Surgery	Dr T Agasthian Dr Chua Yeow Leng Dr Christie T T Tan
19 – 20 February	14 <sup>th</sup> Annual Scientific Meeting <i>Chapter of Radiologists, Academy of Medicine, Singapore and Singapore Radiological Society</i>	Dermatology	Dr Cheong Wai Kwong Dr Giam Yoke Chin Dr Lawrence S W Khoo Dr Seow Chew Swee
July	2 <sup>nd</sup> Annual Scientific Meeting <i>College of Physicians, Singapore</i>	Diagnostic Radiology	Dr John W M Hoe Dr Francis K H Hui Dr Tan Bien Soo Dr Tan Kim Ping



Emergency Medicine	Dr V Anantharaman Dr Goh Siang Hong Dr Mark K F Leong Dr Eileen Seow	Obstetrics & Gynaecology	Dr Chow Kah Kiong Dr Ho Hon Kwok Dr Ho Tew Hong Dr Koh Cheng Huat Dr A Ilancheran Dr Lee Keen Whye Dr Loh Foo Hoe Dr Mary Rauff Dr Suresh Nair Dr Kuldip Singh Dr Seetho Kai Yin Dr Kelvin K H Tan Dr Tay Eng Hseon Dr Tay Sun Kuie Dr George S H Yeo Dr Yeoh Swee Choo Dr Yu Su Ling
Endocrinology	Dr Daphne H C Khoo Dr Lee Kok Onn Dr Sum Chee Fang Dr Tan Khai Tong		
Gastroenterology	Dr Cheng Jun Dr Fock Kwong Ming Dr Ng Han Seong		
General Surgery	Dr Denis M O Cheong Dr Eu Kong Weng Dr Michael N Y Hoe Dr Adrian P K Leong Dr Lucien Lucien Ooi Dr Soo Khee Chee Dr Wee Siew Bock	Occupational Medicine	Dr Chia Kee Seng Dr David S Q Koh
Geriatric Medicine	Dr Chan Kin Ming Dr Philip W J Choo Dr Pang Weng Sun Dr Suresh Sahadevan	Ophthalmology	Dr Lim Tock Han Dr Steve K L Seah Dr Donald T H Tan Dr Victor S H Yong
Haematology	Dr Goh Yeow Tee Dr Liu Te Chih Dr Ronald P Ng Dr Patrick H C Tan	Orthopaedic Surgery	Dr Howe Tet Sen Dr Low Cheng Ooi Dr Low Yin Peng Dr K Satku Dr Tan Seang Beng Dr Wong Ho Poh
Hand Surgery	Dr Lim Beng Hai Dr Looi Kok Poh	Otorhinolaryngology	Dr Ronald Brett Dr Christopher H K Goh Dr Luke K S Tan
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Internal Medicine	Dr Chee Yam Cheng Dr Tang Ong Teng	Paediatric Surgery	Dr V T Joseph Dr K Prabhakaran
Medical Oncology	Dr Khoo Kei Siong Dr Tan Yew Oo Dr John C M Wong	Pathology	Dr Ponnudurai Kuperan Dr Sunil Sethi Dr Ivy T Y Sng Dr Tan Ai Ling
Neurology	Dr Ho King Hee Dr Lim Shih Hui Dr Benjamin K C Ong Dr Wong Meng Cheong	Plastic Surgery	Dr Hong Soo Wan Dr Colin Song Dr Vincent K L Yeow
Neurosurgery	Dr Keith Y C Goh Dr Alvin Hong Dr Ho Kee Hang Dr Yeo Tseng Tsai	Public Health	Dr Arthur S C Chern Dr Lam Sian Lian
Nuclear Medicine	Dr Anthony S W Goh Dr Yvonne Ho Dr Felix Sundram	Rehabilitation Medicine	Dr William W L Chan Dr Kong Keng He Dr Sherry H Y Young

Renal Medicine	Dr Evan J C Lee Dr Wong Kok Sing	Therapeutic Radiology	Dr Chua Eu Jin Dr Chua Eu Tiong Dr Khor Tong Hong Dr Lee Kim Shang
Respiratory Medicine	Dr Philip C T Eng Dr Lim Tow Keang Dr Alan W K Ng	Urology	Dr Chia Sing Joo Dr Ng Foo Cheong Dr Michael Y C Wong
Rheumatology & Immunology	Dr Chng Hiok Hee Dr Fong Kok Yong Dr Leong Keng Hong Dr Ng Swee Cheng		

## List of Recipients for Lectureships and Medals

Lectureship/Medals	2003	2002	2001	2000	1999
Galloway Memorial Lectureship	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
Chapter of Surgeons Lecture	Dr Balaji Sadasivan	Dr Tan Ngoh Chuan	Dr Walter T L Tan	Dr Gopal Baratham	Dr Low Cheng Hock
Seah Cheng Siang Memorial Lecture	Dr Alan Colman	Dr Ng Han Seong	Dr Simon Shorvon	Dr Feng Pao Hsii	Professor Lam Shiu Kum (HK SAR)
Yahya Cohen Lecture	Dr Tan Bien Keem	Dr Sarbjit Singh	Dr Au Eong Kah Guan	Dr Tan Kok Chai	Dr Lee Eng Hin
Chapter of Paediatricians Lecture	Nil	Dr Ho Nai Kiong	Dr Tan Cheng Lim	Nil	Nil
O & G Research Award	Nil	Dr Fong Yoke Fai	Nil	Nil	Nil
Chapter of Surgeons' Travelling Fellowship	Nil	Nil	Nil	Dr Wong Soong Kuan	Nil
Seah Cheng Siang Research/Travelling Fellowships	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
G A Ransome Gold Medal	Nil	Dr Phua Ghee Chee	Dr Paul T L Chiam	Nil	Nil
Academy of Medicine Gold Medal	Mr Lum Jing Li (Book Prize)	Ms Edelweis S F Tan (Book Prize)	Ms Lum Ooi Ying (Book Prize)	Nil	Nil
Chapter of Surgeons Gold Medal	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
Seah Cheng Siang Gold Medal	Nil	Nil	Dr Ranjinder Singh	Nil	Nil

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# Chapter of Anaesthesiologists

## ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The 25th Annual General Meeting of the Chapter of Anaesthesiologists was held on Saturday, 26 July 2003 at 10.15am at the Lecture Hall, National Cancer Centre, Level 4, 11 Hospital Drive, Singapore 169610.

The office-bearers for the year 2003-2004 were elected as follows:

Chairman	:	Dr Lai Fook Onn
Vice-Chairman	:	Dr Lim Boon Leng
Honorary Secretary	:	Dr Sophia B L Ang
Committee Members	:	Dr Ong Biau Chi
		Dr Ti Lian Kah
		Dr Yoong Chee Seng
		Dr Chong Jin Long (co-opted)
		Dr Alex F Kan (co-opted)
		Dr Rachael Pereira (co-opted)

## MEMBERSHIP

The total membership of the Chapter now stands at 142.

## COMMITTEE MEETINGS

There were a total of two Committee meetings and other matters arising in the periods between the meetings were discussed and resolved by e-mails. The Chapter Committee also held a joint meeting with the Executive Committee of Singapore Society of Anaesthesiologists.

## ACTIVITIES

### 1 Continuing Medical Education

The Chapter participated as a nominal sponsor at the following events. These lectures were jointly organised by the Singapore Society of Anaesthesiologists and Mount Alvernia Hospital:

<u>Date</u>	<u>Description</u>
13 September 2003	<b>Anaesthesiology – Journal Club</b>  <b>Update on Paediatric Anaesthesia</b> Dr Agnes S B Ng Consultant Anaesthetist Head of Paediatric Anaesthesia KK Women's & Children's Hospital  Chairperson: Dr Rachael Pereira
11 October 2003	<b>Anaesthesiology - Journal Club</b> <b>Regional Anaesthesia &amp; Pain Management: An Update</b> Dr Yeo Sow Nam Consultant Anaesthetist Singapore General Hospital  Chairperson: Dr Boey Wah Keong

14 February 2004

### **Anaesthesiology – Journal Club** **Picco Monitor – Continuous Cardiac Output & Preload Assessment**

Dr George Lim  
Consultant Anaesthetist  
Mount Alvernia Hospital

Chairperson: Dr Chong Jin Long

### 2 Monthly Combined Anaesthetic Meeting

The following Monthly Combined Anaesthetic Meetings were jointly organised with the Singapore Society of Anaesthesiologists:

<u>Date</u>	<u>Description</u>
26 July 2003	<b>Launch of SSA Anaesthesiology Clinical Discussion Forum (ACDF) on <a href="http://www.ssa-sg.com">www.ssa-sg.com</a></b>  <b>n0v07 – Licence to Clot</b>  <b>Case Presentation</b> Dr Tan Shwu Chuin Registrar Department of Anaesthesia & Surgical Intensive Care Changi General Hospital  <b>Recombinant Activated Factor 7 – A New Pro-haemostatic Agent for Trauma?</b> Dr Tan Soo Guan Associate Consultant Department of Anaesthesia & Surgical Intensive Care Changi General Hospital  Chairperson: Dr Noelle Lim
25 October 2003	<b>Liver Transplantation – Singapore Experience</b>  <b>Liver Transplantation – Surgical Perspective</b> Dr Kenneth Mak Consultant Department of Surgery National University Singapore  <b>Liver Transplantation – Anaesthetic Management</b> Dr Wong Weng Hoa Consultant Department of Anaesthesia National University Singapore

**Liver Transplantation – Intensive Care Management**

Dr Loh Meng Woei  
Registrar  
Department of Anaesthesia  
National University Singapore

Chairperson: Dr Teh Thean Seng

22 November 2003 **Steroids Improve Outcome in Sepsis – An Evidence-Based Approach Case Report**

Dr Yew Woon Si  
Registrar  
Department of Anaesthesia & SIC  
Singapore General Hospital

**Discussion**

Dr Lee Pang  
Consultant  
Department of Anaesthesia & SIC  
Singapore General Hospital

Chairperson: Dr Chris Ip

28 February 2004 **Anaesthetic Considerations for Non-Cardiac Surgery in Patients with Congenital Heart Disease**

**Congenital Cardiac Disease – A Quick Revision**

Dr Wong Keng Yean  
Senior Consultant & Head  
Department of Paediatrics, Cardiology  
KK Women's & Children's Hospital

**Anaesthetic Considerations for Non-Cardiac Surgery in Patients With Congenital Heart Disease**

Dr Josephine Tan  
Consultant  
Department of Paediatric Anaesthesia  
KK Women's & Children's Hospital

Chairperson: Dr Shani Tan

**13<sup>TH</sup> GENERAL SCIENTIFIC MEETING, 16 & 17 AUGUST 2004**

The 13<sup>th</sup> General Scientific Meeting was held on the 16 & 17 August 2003 at Sheraton Towers, Singapore, 39 Scotts Road Singapore 228230.

The Organising Committee comprised the following members:

Chairperson	Dr Lai Yeow Choy
Scientific Chairperson	Dr Kwek Tong Kiat
Honorary Secretary/Publication	Dr Eugene Liu
Treasurer/ Exhibition Facilities	Dr Kwan Kim Meng Dr Naville Chia
Social	Dr Lim Suan Ling Dr Lee Pang Dr Ong Ee Lyn

This year, a one-day session specially meant for nurses was included in the scientific programme. The Scientific Meeting received a total of 218 participants.

The scientific programme included the following sessions:

PLENARY LECTURE 1

Intraoperative MRI for Neuroanaesthesia  
Professor Pirjo Manninen

PLENARY LECTURE 2

Evidence Based Management in Regional Anaesthesia  
Dr David Scott

SYMPOSIA

1. Quality in Anaesthesia

Topics: Crossing the Quality Chasm – Redesigning Care Delivery Systems (Dr Tai Hwei Yee), Risk Management in Anaesthesia (Dr Chen Fun Gee), Quality Improvement: The Malaysian Experience (Dr Lim Wee Leong);

2. Neuroanaesthesia

Topics: Update in Neuroanaesthesia (Dr Pirjo Manninen), Anaesthesia for Carotid Endarterectomy Endarterectomy (Dr Ted Wong), Challenging Neurosurgical Cases: Experience from the Kuala Lumpur General Hospital (Dr Lim Wee Leong), Management Strategies for Severe Head Injuries (Dr Tan Soo Guan);

3. Back to Basics

Topics: Laryngeal Mask Airway: Defining and Refining Its Use in Anaesthetic Practice Today (Dr Victor Chee), Biostatistics for Numerophobes (Dr Eugene Liu), Peer Review Process and Critiquing a Scientific Article (Dr Hwang Nian Chih);

4. Journal Updates

Topics: Thoracic and Vascular Anaesthesia (Dr Nelson Chua), Obstetric Anaesthesia (Dr Alex Sia), Intensive Care Medicine (Dr Kulgit Singh);

5. SARS

Topics: SARS: New Disease of the 21<sup>st</sup> Century (Dr Brenda Ang), SARS: Perspectives of an ICU Co-ordinator (Dr Loo Shi), SARS in the ICU: A Spectrum of Severity (Dr Thomas Lew), SARS in the ICU: Problems in Management (Dr Yim Chik Foo).

NURSING SYMPOSIA

1. The Difficult Airway

Topics: The Difficult Airway (Dr Josephine Tan), Assisting and Preparing for a Difficult Airway (Ms Karen Tham);

2. Postanaesthetic Care Unit (PACU)

Topics: Common Problems in an Adult PACU (Ms Zauyah Sanif), Common Problems in a Paediatric PACU (Ms Mee Lin McEune).

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## PROBLEM-BASED LEARNING DISCUSSION

Two cases on Regional Anaesthesia were discussed at this session.

## FREE PAPER PRESENTATION

In total, 7 doctors participated in the Best Free Oral Paper Presentation. Dr Raymond Goy Wee Lip of Department of Anaesthesia, KK Women's & Children's Hospital won the Best Free Oral Paper Award sponsored by Tyco Healthcare Pte Ltd. The title of his winning paper was "Magnitude of Local Anaesthetic Dose Adjustment for Combined Spinal-Epidural Technique: An Evidence Based Refinement".

## POSTER PRESENTATION

In total, 12 posters were submitted for consideration for the Best Poster Presentation. Dr Raymond Goy Wee Lip of Department of Anaesthesia, KK Women's & Children's Hospital won the Best Poster Award sponsored by Tyco Healthcare Pte Ltd. His winning title was "Sensorimotor Anaesthesia and Hypotension after Subarachnoid Block – Combined Spinal Epidural versus Single-shot Spinal Technique".

## TRADE EXHIBITION

A total of 18 trade companies participated in the trade exhibition during the meeting.

## POST-MEETING WORKSHOPS

### Regional Anaesthesia Workshop, 17 August 2003

The workshop received a total of 54 participants. It was a half day session held at the Experimental Surgery Laboratory, Blk 9, Level 2 at the Singapore General Hospital.

### Neuromonitoring Workshop, 17 August 2003

The workshop received a total of 19 participants. It was a half day session held at Sheraton Towers, Singapore.

## **14<sup>TH</sup> GENERAL SCIENTIFIC MEETING, AUGUST 2004**

The 14<sup>th</sup> General Scientific Meeting has been scheduled to be held in conjunction with the 38<sup>th</sup> Singapore-Malaysia Congress of Medicine from 19 – 22 August 2004 at the Meritus Mandarin, Singapore. The Chapter Committee has appointed Dr Ti Lian Kah as the representative for the Chapter of Anaesthesiologists at the Organising Committee of 38<sup>th</sup> Singapore-Malaysia Congress of Medicine.

The Organising Committee comprised the following members:

Chairperson	Dr Ti Lian Kah
Workshop	Dr Yeo Sow Nam
Free Paper/ Poster Presentation	Dr Wendy Teo
Committee Member	Dr Bernard Lee
Committee Member	Dr Tan Soo Guan

## **AD-HOC COMMITTEE - RISK MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE**

This Committee was formed jointly with the Singapore Society of Anaesthesiologists. The Committee had one meeting and the Chairperson of the Committee is Dr Tai Hwee Yee; other members included Dr Boey Wah Keong, Dr Koh Kwong Fah, Dr Lai Fook Onn, Dr Phillip Tseng and Dr Edward Pang. The objectives for forming this Committee are as follows:

- a) To make recommendations on medico-legal issues;
- b) To provide support to members who are faced with medico-legal problems;
- c) To promote risk management practices.

An advisory panel was set up and it comprised the following members: -

- i) Dr Boey Wah Keong
- ii) Dr Chan Yew Weng
- iii) Dr Chen Fun Gee
- iv) Dr Lim Boon Leng
- v) Dr Edward Pang
- vi) Dr Sally Wong

## **THE FUTURE OF THE CHAPTER OF ANAESTHESIOLOGISTS**

The Academy of Medicine, Singapore is in the process of forming individual Colleges and the Chapter of Anaesthesiologists will be one of the 6 Chapters to be transformed into a College. While remaining a subsidiary of the Academy, this conversion will allow the College to be a separate entity with more autonomy. The College will work closely with the Singapore Society of Anaesthesiologists in jointly organising activities for the anaesthesiologists.

## **APPRECIATION**

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

April 2004

Dr Sophia B L Ang  
Honorary Secretary  
2003-2004 Chapter of Anaesthesiologists

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# Chapter of Dental Surgeons

## ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The 23<sup>rd</sup> Annual General Meeting of the Chapter of Dental Surgeons was held on Saturday, 2 August 2004 at 1.30 pm, Lee Kong Chian Room, Academy of Medicine, Singapore, 142 Neil Road, Singapore 088871.

The following office-bearers for the year 2003-2004 were elected:

Chairman	:	Dr Varawan Sae-Lim
Vice-Chairman	:	Dr Go Wee Ser
Honorary Secretary	:	Dr Lim Kheng Ann
Committee Members	:	Dr Chung Kong Mun Dr Marianne Ong Dr Mohd Azharashid bin Mohd Tahir
Co-opted Members	:	Dr Neo Tee Khin Dr George Y W Soh Dr Keson B C Tan Dr Yeo Jin Fei

## MEMBERSHIP

The total membership of the Chapter now stands at 129

## COMMITTEE MEETINGS

The Committee held eight Committee Meetings from the period of August 2003 to April 2004.

## ACTIVITIES

Continuing Dental Education (CDE)

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

<u>Date</u>	<u>Description</u>
19 July 2003 (co-organised with Faculty of Dentistry, National University of Singapore and Society of Endodontists, Singapore)	<b>1) Restoration of Endodontically Treated Teeth</b> <b>2) Endodontic Surgery</b> Professor William P Saunders Professor of Endodontology Dean of Dentistry University of Dundee, Scotland United Kingdom
	Visiting Academician 2003 Chairperson: Dr Varawan Sae-Lim
26 September 2003 (co-organised with Dept of Oral & Maxillofacial Surgery, Faculty of Dentistry, National University of Singapore)	<b>Orthognathic Surgery : Current Concept</b> Dr Go Wee Ser Private Practice and Visiting Consultant Dept of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery National Dental Centre
	Chairperson: Dr Lim Kheng Ann

30 October 2003  
(co-organised with Dept of Preventive Dentistry, National University of Singapore and Society of Periodontology Singapore)

## Aesthetics in Periodontal Surgery

Dr Chung Kong Mun  
Private Practice & Associate Staff  
Faculty of Dentistry  
National University Hospital

Chairperson: Dr Fedelia Tay

4 December 2003  
(co-organised with Dept of Preventive Dentistry, Faculty of Dentistry, National University of Singapore and Society of Periodontology Singapore)

## Current State of The Art In Periodontal Surgery

Professor Wang Hom Lay  
Professor and Director of Graduate Periodontics Department of Periodontics/Prevention/Geriatrics  
The University of Michigan, School of Dentistry Ann Arbor, Michigan  
USA

## Periodontal Regeneration and Tissue Engineering

Professor P Mark Bartold  
Director  
Colgate Australian Clinical Dental Research Centre  
The University of Adelaide, Dentistry Department  
Adelaide, Australia  
Chairperson: Dr Chung Kong Mun

27 January 2004  
(co-organised with Dept of Restorative Dentistry, Faculty of Dentistry, National University of Singapore)

## Dental Implant Placement and Restoration in Growing Patients : When, Where and How?

Professor Robert Cronin Jr  
Graduate Division  
Department of Prosthodontics  
UTHSCSA Dental School  
San Antonia, Texas  
USA

Chairperson: Dr Keson Tan

19 February 2004  
(co-organised with Dept of Restorative Dentistry, National University of Singapore, Faculty of Dentistry, National University of Singapore)

## Challenges in Endodontic Therapy

Professor Gunnar Bergenholtz  
Professor and Chairman  
Department of Endodontology and Faculty of Odontology, Göteborg University, Sweden  
and  
Visiting Professor, Department of Restorative Dentistry, Faculty of Dentistry, National University of Singapore

Chairperson: Dr Varawan Sae-Lim

24 March 2004  
(co-organised with  
Dept of Oral &  
Maxillofacial Surgery,  
Faculty of Dentistry,  
National University  
of Singapore)

**Management of Orbital Trauma**  
Dr N Ravindranathan  
Consultant Surgeon, Department of  
Maxillofacial & Facial Plastic Surgery  
Ripas Hospital, Brunei Darussalam  
and  
Adjunct Associate Professor, School  
of Medicine  
University of Queensland, Brisbane  
Australia

Chairperson: Dr Victor Fan

6 April 2004  
(co-organised with  
Dept of Preventive  
Dentistry, Faculty of  
Dentistry, National  
University of  
Singapore)

**Immediate Implant Placement –  
Immediate Loading?  
Fact and Fiction**  
Professor Nicklaus Peter Lang  
Chairman of Fixed Prosthodontics &  
Periodontology  
University of Bern, Switzerland  
and  
Visiting Professor, Department of  
Preventive Dentistry,  
Faculty of Dentistry, National  
University of Singapore

Chairman: Dr Chung Kong Mun

#### UPCOMING CDE LECTURES

- **“Cracked Tooth Syndrome”** by Dr Phillipe Zimet, 6 July 2004
- **“What Teeth Morphogenesis Tells Us about Head and Neck Development”** by Dr Andrew Aw, 13 July 2004

Please visit the Chapter's website (<http://www.academyofmedicine.edu.sg/chapters/dental.htm>) for further updates.

#### 2003 VISITING ACADEMICIAN

Professor William P Saunders, Professor of Endodontology, Dean of Dentistry, University of Dundee, Scotland, United Kingdom was appointed Visiting Academician for the Year 2003. He delivered two lectures entitled “Restoration of Endodontically Treated Teeth” and “Endodontic Surgery”. These lectures were presented on Saturday, 19 July 2003. The attendance for the lectures was about 80.

#### CONTINUING PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME (CPD)

##### Chapter of Dental Surgeons as a CPD Provider

The Chapter of Dental Surgeons hopes to establish a leading role to be an accredited provider of CPD courses for the dental profession in general and dental specialists in particular. In addition, the Chapter will work closely with the various public institutions, specialist societies and the Singapore Dental Association to organise various activities. With the CPD made compulsory in 2005, the Committee is already currently working towards organising at least one CPD lecture per month. The Committee will identify and invite potential local speakers to come share their expertise with one another at our usual one to one half-hour

evening CDE lectures usually held at the premises of the Faculty of Dentistry, National University of Singapore.

Phase One of the testing of the Continuing Professional Development Education System is currently in progress. The system includes details on event application, the category of events as well as the workflow for application of CDE points.

#### Annals Supplementary Issue – July 2004

The Chapter will produce a Supplementary Issue entitled “Oral and Maxillofacial Pathology and Medicine”. This Volume 33, No.4 will be ready for circulation in August 2004. A total of 19 papers were received and 10 have undergone the acceptance process.

#### Chapter's Distance Learning Programme

The Chapter contributed to the Academy's trial Distance Learning Programme with the mounting of the trial e-learning website on the following specialties:

- Endodontics ([http://www.academyofmedicine.edu.sg/continuing/distance\\_endo.htm](http://www.academyofmedicine.edu.sg/continuing/distance_endo.htm))
- Paediatric Medicine ([http://www.academyofmedicine.edu.sg/continuing/distance\\_pae.htm](http://www.academyofmedicine.edu.sg/continuing/distance_pae.htm))
- Periodontics ([http://www.academyofmedicine.edu.sg/continuing/distance\\_peri.htm](http://www.academyofmedicine.edu.sg/continuing/distance_peri.htm))
- Prosthodontics ([http://www.academyofmedicine.edu.sg/continuing/distance\\_pros.htm](http://www.academyofmedicine.edu.sg/continuing/distance_pros.htm))

For further updates, please refer to the Academy's website ([www.academyofmedicine.edu.sg](http://www.academyofmedicine.edu.sg)).

#### 38<sup>TH</sup> SINGAPORE-MALAYSIA CONGRESS OF MEDICINE

The 38<sup>th</sup> Singapore-Malaysia Congress of Medicine will be held from 19–22 August 2004 at the Meritus Mandarin, Singapore. The theme this year is on Continuing Professional Development and Professionalism: The Next Lap. At this year's Congress, the ten various Chapters have been invited to participate in the Congress. The Chapter will participate in a one-day programme, which will take place on Sunday, 22 August 2004.

The confirmed lectures are as follows:

Plenary Lecture 1:

- Continuing Professional Development in Dentistry by Professor Chew Chong Lin

Plenary Lecture 3:

- Use of New Techniques in Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery by Dr Bill S W Yan

Symposium 1:

- Craniofacial Surgery by Associate Professor Rani Samsuddin
- Oral Cancer Management by Assistant Professor Victor T W Fan

Please refer to the Academy's website ([www.academyofmedicine.edu.sg](http://www.academyofmedicine.edu.sg)) for further updates.

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## **DENTISTRY SPECIALTY TRAINING MATTERS**

### **Roll of Specialists (Dentistry)**

The current Roll of Specialists (Dentistry) includes Endodontics, Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery, Orthodontics, Paediatric Dentistry, Periodontics and Prosthodontics. The "OLD ROLL" which comprised Conservative Dentistry, Oral Surgery and Prosthetic Dentistry will no longer be in use although Fellows who have chosen to remain in the "OLD ROLL" will be allowed to do so.

### **Advanced Dental Specialty Training**

The Chapter is working towards drawing up draft guidelines for exit certification specially for the Advanced Specialty trainees. This draft proposal would be submitted to the Singapore Dental Council for consideration upon completion.

### **New Admission Criteria**

The new admission criteria stated in Article 7b) for admission as a Fellow of the Academy of Medicine, Singapore has been officially passed at the Academy's EOGM held on 17 April 2004. It will now read:

The new clause in Article 7b) for admission as a Fellow of the Academy of Medicine, Singapore will read as follows:

- 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
- ii) are of good general character and conduct, as testified by three referees, two of whom must be Fellows of the Academy

The Medical and Dental Group will now admit Fellows without the need to submit one publication for the admission into the Academy.

### **OUTREACH PROGRAMME**

### **Fellowship Admission Drive**

The Chapter participated in the Academy's Fellowship admission drive which was initiated in September 2003. The following dental surgeons were admitted into the Academy as Fellows: Dr Victor Fan, Dr Hsu Chin Ying, Stephen, Dr Koh Chay Hui, Dr Kwa Chong Teck, Dr Lim Sor Kheng, Dr Tan Hee Hon, Dr Tan Wee Kiat, Dr Tseng Seng Kwong, Patrick and Dr Mimi Yow.

### **Newsletter**

The Chapter's first Newsletter would be in circulation by May 2004 to all our Dental Fellows and also to all relevant Dental Specialists Societies.

### **Induction Ceremony 2003**

The Annual Induction Ceremony for 2003 was held at the Ritz Carlton Millennia on Monday, 10 November 2003. A total of 8 dental surgeons were admitted in this batch: Dr Andrew Aw Kian Li, Dr Eileen Ching Siew May, Dr Sharon Loh Jia Huey, Dr Lien Li Choo, Dr Neo Tee Khin, Dr Rashid Tahir, Dr Hilary Thean Pik Yen and Dr Patricia Yeong Ming Geok.

### **COLLEGE FORMATION**

The Chapter will consider the feasibility of College formation with the establishment of the selected subsidiary faculties in collaboration with dental specialities ready for collaboration, serving as a peer model for the remaining dental specialities.

### **APPRECIATION**

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

April 2004

Dr Lim Kheng Ann  
Honorary Secretary  
2003-2004 Chapter of Dental  
Surgeons



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# Chapter of Obstetricians and Gynaecologists

## ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The 35<sup>th</sup> Annual General Meeting of the Chapter of Obstetricians and Gynaecologists was held on Friday, 25 July 2003 at 6.00pm at Lecture Theatre, Training Centre, KK Women's and Children's Hospital, 100 Bukit Timah Road, Singapore 229899.

The office-bearers for the year 2003-2004 were elected as follows:

Chairman	:	Dr Chang Tou Choong
Vice-Chairman	:	Dr Ho Tew Hong
Honorary Secretary	:	Dr Lai Fon-Min
Committee Members	:	Dr Fong Chuan Wee Dr Jeffrey J H Low Dr Ann S A Tan
Co-opted Committee Members	:	Dr Chua Yang Dr A Ilancheran Dr Suresh Nair Dr Christine Yap

## MEMBERSHIP

The total membership of the Chapter now stands at 204

## COMMITTEE MEETINGS

At the time of writing the Annual Report, the Committee has met four times.

## O & G RESEARCH FUND

The capital sum for the O & G Research Fund now stands at S\$43,949.

## CONTINUING MEDICAL EDUCATION

1. The following CME lectures were organised:

<u>Date</u>	<u>Description</u>
27 August 2003	<b>A Single-centre Review of Antenatally diagnosed Fetal Echogenic Kidneys</b> Dr Cordelia Han Registrar Division of Obstetrics and Gynaecology KK Women's and Children's Hospital Singapore
	<b>Antenatal Diagnosis of the Absent Inferior Cerebella Vermis – Is there any Clinical Significance?</b> Dr Joycelyn Wong Registrar Division of Obstetrics and Gynaecology KK Women's and Children's Hospital Singapore

## Randomised Trail of Nuchal Translucency (NT) Screening versus Biochemical Screening: Prediction of Chromosomal Abnormalities

Professor Stephen C Robson  
Professor of Fetal Medicine, and Head  
Department of Obstetrics and Gynaecology  
University of Newcastle Upon Tyne  
Royal Victoria Infirmary, UK

2003 VISITING ACADEMICIAN

## Management of Severe Hypertension and Seizure Prophylaxis in re-eclampsia: Recent Advances

Professor Stephen C Robson

Chairperson: Dr Chang Tou Choong

30 August 2003  
(co-organised with the Singapore Representative Committee, RCOG)

## Competence and Clinical Standards: RCOG View Point

Dr Heather J Mellows  
Consultant Obstetrician and Gynaecologist  
Doncaster and Bassetlaw Hospital  
NHS Trust and Vice-President  
Royal College of Obstetricians and Gynaecologists London, UK

Chairperson: Dr Ho Tew Hong

13 February 2004  
(co-organised with the Society for Colposcopy and Cervical Pathology of Singapore)

## The Evolution of Diathermy Excision of the Transformation Zone: Where are we now?

Professor Walter Prendiville  
Associate Professor of Obstetrics and Gynaecology  
Royal College of Surgeons in Ireland at the Department of Obstetrics and Gynaecology  
Coombe Women's Hospital Dublin and  
Secretary  
British Society of Colposcopy and Cervical Pathology

Chairperson: Dr Quek Swee Chong

13 March 2004  
(co-organised with the Infertility Sub-section of Obstetrical and Gynaecological Society of Singapore)

## Infertility Management Update

## Recent Advances in Assisted Reproductive Technologies and Future Directions of Research

Adjunct Professor Ng Soon Chye  
Consultant  
Obstetrical and Gynaecological Partners Fertility Centre  
Gleneagles Hospital, Singapore

**Management Protocols in Ovulation Induction: Discussion of the Key Elements to Achieving a Successful Pregnancy Outcome**

Dr Jothi Kumar  
Consultant  
Obstetrical and Gynaecological  
Partners Fertility Centre  
Gleneagles Hospital, Singapore

**Controversies in the Use of Gonadotrophin Releasing Hormone Antagonists in Assisted Reproductive Technology**

Dr Cheng Li Chang  
Medical Director  
Thomson Fertility Centre  
Thomson Medical Centre, Singapore

**Diagnosis and Management of Ovarian Hyperstimulation Syndrome and its Sequel**

Dr Foong Lian Chuen  
Consultant  
Obstetrical and Gynaecological  
Partners Fertility Centre  
Gleneagles Hospital, Singapore

Chairperson: Dr Noel Leong

2. The Chapter participated as a nominal sponsor at the following events:

<u>Date</u>	<u>Description</u>
1 August 2003 (sponsored by Philips ATL & Dyamed Singapore)	<b>Pregnancy Screening – Is Earlier Better?</b> Dr Jon Hyett <b>Reflections</b> Dr Lawrence Chan
13 September 2003 (organised by the Gynaecological Cancer Centre, KK Women's and Children's Hospital)	<b>Seminar on Common Issues of Gynaecological Cancer Patients</b> <b>The ABC of Pain Relief – When to Prescribe What</b> Dr Rosalie Shaw <b>Alternative Medicine for Cancer Patients – Is there Any Evidence that it is Useful?</b> Ms Tan Ai Lee <b>Advances in Wound Care – New Medications and Dressings</b> NM Rajammal Sinnappan <b>Breaking the News – How to do it Right?</b> Dr Jeffrey Low <b>Nutrition and Health Supplements for Cancer Patients – Do they help?</b> Ms Phuah Kar Yin

20–22 September 2003  
(organised by Thomson Medical Centre)

**Sexuality Issues for Gynaecological Cancer Patients – Understanding our Patients' needs**

Ms Frances Yeo

**Certificate in Obstetrics and Ultrasound Course**

Faculty:  
Monash University  
Assoc Professor Euan M Wallace  
Clinical Director  
Centre for Women's Health  
Department of Obstetrics and Gynaecology  
Faculty of Medicine

Dr Shawn Chong  
Consultant Obstetrician/Gynaecologist/  
Sonologist  
Monash Ultrasound for Women

Dr Peter Coombs  
Senior Lecturer and Course Co-ordinator of the Graduate Diploma in Medical Ultrasound  
Department of Medical Imaging  
Faculty of Medicine

Dr Tania Griffiths  
Lecturer  
Department of Medical Imaging  
Faculty of Medicine

Thomson Medical Centre

Dr Chang Tou Choong  
Consultant Obstetrician and Gynaecologist  
Head of Fetal Medicine  
Fetal Assessment Unit

Mrs S T Chin  
Chief Sonographer  
Fetal Assessment Unit

29 November 2003  
(organised by the Menopause Research Society Singapore)

**Estrogen and Quality of Life in the Post Menopausal Woman**

Speakers: Dr Loh Foo Hoe  
Dr Yang Eu Leong  
Dr Chua Yang

January 2004  
(organised by the Menopause Research Society Singapore)

**Estrogen and Cancer Risk**

Speakers: Dr Adeline Seow  
Dr Wee Siew Bock  
Dr Tay Eng Hseon

14-15 February 2004  
(organised by the Society for Colposcopy and Cervical Pathology of Singapore)

**9<sup>th</sup> SCCPS Annual Colposcopy Course**

Programme I - Colposcopy: How I do It  
Speakers: Professor Walter Prendiville  
Dr Khalil Razvi

Programme II - Cytopathology Update  
Speakers: Dr Lim-Tan Soo Kim  
Dr Chew Sung Hock  
Dr Quek Swee Chong

Programme III - Vulvovaginal Disease  
Speakers: Dr Adeline Wong  
Assoc Professor  
Giam Yoke Chin

Programme IV - Clinical Management  
of Preinvasive Disease  
Speakers: Dr Jeffrey Low  
Professor Walter  
Prendiville  
Dr Quek Swee Chong

Programme V - Frontiers in Screening  
and Management  
Speakers: Dr Tay Eng Hseon  
Dr Lisa Wong  
Assoc Prof A  
Ilancheran  
Professor Walter  
Prendiville

March 2004  
(organised by the  
Menopause  
Research Society  
Singapore)

**Options for the Treatment of  
Postmenopausal Osteoporosis**

Speaker: Dr Pierre Delmas

**2003 VISITING ACADEMICIAN**

Professor Stephen C Robson, Professor of Fetal Medicine, and Head, Department of Obstetrics and Gynaecology, University of Newcastle Upon Tyne, Royal Victoria Infirmary, UK was appointed Visiting Academician for the Chapter. He delivered the lecture entitled "Randomised Trial of Nuchal Translucency (NT) Screening Versus Biochemical Screening: Prediction of Chromosomal Abnormalities" on 27 August 2003 at the Auditorium, KK Women's and Children's Hospital.

**CLINICAL PRACTICE GUIDELINES AND CONSENSUS STATEMENTS**

The Chapter has published the following guidelines:

- i) Induction of Labour – August 2000 (issued by Ministry of Health)
- ii) Management of Preterm Labour – May 2001 (issued by Ministry of Health)
- iii) Termination of Pregnancy – April 2004

Under preparation are the guidelines on Hormone Replacement Therapy and the following statements:

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.

**SPECIALTY RESOURCE COMMITTEE**

The Academy of Medicine, Singapore has established a Specialty Resource Committee for each Chapter. The Chapter has nominated the following:

Dr Chow Kah Kiong	Dr Suresh Nair
Dr Ho Hon Kwok	Dr Kuldip Singh
Dr Ho Tew Hong	Dr Seetho Kai Yin
Dr Koh Cheng Huat	Dr Kelvin K H Tan
Dr A Ilancheran	Dr Tay Eng Hseon
Dr Lee Keen Whye	Dr Tay Sun Kuie
Dr Loh Foo Hoe	Dr George S H Yeo
Dr Mary Rauff	Dr Yeoh Swee Choo
	Dr Yu Su Ling

They are to serve as the Academy's resource group, through the Chapter of Obstetricians and Gynaecologists, with regards to the development of a given specialty on specialty-specific CME activities, practice guidelines, expert opinions, further development of the specialty or a new related specialty and as potential nominees for appointment to the relevant Specialist Training Committee of the Joint Committee on Specialist Training.

**1<sup>ST</sup> INTERNATIONAL SCIENTIFIC MEETING OF THE INTERNATIONAL SOCIETY OF ULTRASOUND IN OBSTETRICS AND GYNAECOLOGY, 21 – 24 MARCH 2004**

The 1<sup>st</sup> International Scientific Meeting of the International Society of Ultrasound in Obstetrics and Gynaecology was held from 21 – 24 March 2004 at the Raffles City Convention Centre. This Meeting was jointly organised by the International Society of Ultrasound in O & G, the Chapter of Obstetricians and Gynaecologists and the Obstetrical and Gynaecological Society of Singapore. The scientific meeting received a total of 520 participants from 35 countries and the workshops were well-attended.

The programme included 3 plenary lectures on 'The Role of 3D Ultrasound in Obstetrics and Gynaecology', 'Fetal Echocardiography – Its Use in the Evaluation of the Second Trimester Fetus for Aneuploidy' and 'Fetal Therapy – Present and Future Indications'; symposia; debate sessions; free communications; 3 pre-meeting workshops: Gynaecological Ultrasound, Fetal Therapy, Fetal Cardiac Ultrasound and 2 post-meeting workshops: Nuchal Translucency and Advanced Obstetrics Ultrasound.

**8<sup>TH</sup> POSTGRADUATE REFRESHER COURSE IN OBSTETRICS AND GYNAECOLOGY, 11 – 14 AUGUST 2004**

The Chapter and the Obstetrical and Gynaecological Society of Singapore will be jointly organising the 8<sup>th</sup> Postgraduate Refresher Course in Obstetrics and Gynaecology. The Course has been scheduled to be held from 11-14 August 2004 at the CRC, Faculty of Medicine, National University of Singapore. The three overseas teaching faculty will be

- i) Professor Shaun P Breennecke, Dunbar Hooper Professor of Obstetrics and Gynaecology, Head, Department of Obstetrics and Gynaecology, University of Melbourne, The Royal Women's Hospital, Victoria, Australia
- ii) Professor John H Shepherd, Professor of Surgical Gynaecology, The Gynaecological Cancer Centre, St Bartholomew's and The Royal London School of Medicine and Dentistry, London, UK

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- iii) Professor Alan H DeCherney, Professor and Chairman, Department of Obstetrics and Gynaecology, UCLA School of Medicine, California, USA.

Dr Arijit Biswas, Organising Chairman and his committee has planned a new programme including lectures summarizing state-of-the-art, clinical care and future progress, trainees' Debate Series, Trainees' Education Programme and Minimally Invasive Surgery Workshop.

#### **TRANSFORMATION OF CHAPTER INTO COLLEGE OF OBSTETRICIANS AND GYNAECOLOGISTS**

The Council, Academy of Medicine, Singapore has expressed a need for re-structuring because of the current organisational structure of the Academy. The Chapter of Obstetricians and Gynaecologists has been directed as one of the 6 large Chapters in the Academy to be transformed into College. The main objectives of this restructuring programmes were for the College to focus its role on specialty (basic and advanced specialty) training in Obstetrics and Gynaecology and to provide continuing medical education, enhance continuing professional development and eventually supervise re-certification in Obstetrics and Gynaecology. The proposed College of Obstetricians and Gynaecologists will be an independent legal entity (registered with the Registry of Company and Business) with its Memorandum and Articles of Association and organisational structure similar to that of the Academy. It is envisaged that there will be 4 Sub-Specialty Sections in the College; namely the Sub-Specialty Sections of Maternal-Fetal Medicine, Reproductive Medicine, Gynaecological Oncology and Urogynaecology. Each Section will be run by a

Committee and headed by a Chairman. The College in turn will be governed by a College Council comprising elected Council Members, up to 3 co-opted Council Members and all Sub-specialty Section Committee Chairmen. As there will no longer be a Chapter of Obstetricians and Gynaecologists in the Academy of Medicine, admission as Fellows of the College will be automatic for Fellows of the Academy at the time of College incorporation. There will be no entrance fee, and no annual subscription for the first 3 years. Subsequently, annual subscription will be determined by the College Council. Application to use FCOGS (Fellow of College of Obstetricians and Gynaecologists, Singapore) as an additional registrable qualification will be made by Academy, on behalf of the College, to SMC. The future College plans to pursue an Memorandum of Understanding with the O & G Society of Singapore so that up to 3 Council members in the College Council will be co-opted OGSS nominees, so long as they are also Fellows of the College. A Dialogue & Feedback Session on the restructuring of the College was held on 18 March 2004 at Lecture Theatre 1, KK Women's and Children's Hospital with Dr K Satku, the outgoing Master of the Academy.

#### **APPRECIATION**

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

April 2004

Dr Lai Fon-Min  
Honorary Secretary  
2003-2004 Chapter of Obstetricians  
& Gynaecologists

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# Chapter of Paediatricians

## ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The 15<sup>th</sup> Annual General Meeting of the Chapter of Paediatricians was held on Saturday, 19 July 2003 at 1.00pm in Temasek I (Level 2), Traders Hotel, Singapore, 1A Cuscaden Road, Singapore 249716.

The Election of Office-Bearers was invalidated due to the presence of a non-Fellow who participated in the election of Chairman, Vice-Chairperson, Honorary Secretary and Committee Members. The incumbent Chairman Dr Quak Seng Hock requested for another election to be conducted.

## EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING

An Extraordinary General Meeting of the Chapter of Paediatricians was held on 15 August 2003, at 6.00pm at the Lee Kong Chian Room Academy of Medicine, Singapore, 142 Neil Road, Runme Shaw Building, Singapore 088871. The following office-bearers were duly elected:-

Chairman	:	Dr Quak Seng Hock
Vice-Chairperson	:	Dr Anne E K Goh
Honorary Secretary	:	Dr Steven C Y Ng
Committee Members	:	Dr Shermela Appan Dr Daisy K L Chan Dr Daniel Y T Goh
Co-opted Members	:	Dr Loh Tsee Foong Dr Samuel V Rajadurai Dr Yeo Cheo Lian

## MEMBERSHIP

The total membership of the Chapter now stands at 145.

## COMMITTEE MEETINGS

The Committee held six meetings during the year 2003-2004.

## CONTINUING MEDICAL EDUCATION

The following Combined Neonatal/Paediatric Updates were organised:

<u>Date</u>	<u>Description</u>
13 September 2003 (co-organised with the Departments of Neonatology and Otorhinolaryngology, National University Hospital and sponsored by Paediatric Society)	<b>Universal Newborn Hearing Screening in Singapore</b> Dr Chu Hui Ping Medical Officer Trainee Department of Neonatology KK Women's and Children's Hospital  Dr Low Kah Tzay Consultant Department of Neonatology National University Hospital  Dr Selina Ho Associate Consultant Department of Neonatology Singapore General Hospital

A/Prof Henry Tan  
Senior Consultant  
Department of Paediatric  
Otorhinolaryngology  
KK Women's and Children's Hospital

Chairperson: Dr Steven C Y Ng

10 January 2004  
(co-organised with the Department of Paediatrics, National University Hospital and sponsored by Singapore Paediatric Society)

**New Insights into Old Problems Learning Problems in Children**  
Dr Ong Hian Tatt  
Consultant  
Department of Paediatrics  
The Children's Medical Institute  
National University Hospital

## How Do Genes Work?

Dr Denise M L Goh  
Consultant  
Department of Paediatrics  
The Children's Medical Institute  
National University Hospital

## Croup Syndrome

Dr Wong Chin Khoon  
Consultant  
Department of Paediatrics  
The Children's Medical Institute  
National University Hospital

Chairperson: Dr Denise M L Goh

## SEMINAR ON FOOD FOR THOUGHT, 19 JULY 2003

The Seminar on "Food for Thought" organised by the Chapter of Paediatricians, Academy of Medicine, Singapore and sponsored by the Singapore Paediatric Society, took place on 19 July 2003 at the Gallery, Level 2 Traders Hotel, Singapore. The organising chairperson was \*Dr Quak Seng Hock. A total of 64 registrants attended the seminar. The following pharmaceutical companies participated in the trade exhibition held in conjunction with the seminar. They were Abbott Laboratories (S) Pte Ltd, Dumex (East Asiatic Company), Friesland Nutrition, GlaxoSmithKline Pte Ltd, Mead Johnson Nutritionals, Mederis Sdn Bhd, Nestle Singapore Pte Ltd and Wyeth Singapore Pte Ltd. The topics delivered at this seminar and the panel of speakers are as follows:

Breast is Best	Dr Charlotte Yung, GP
Nutritional Supplements – Boon or Bane?	*Dr Steven C Y Ng, Consultant
Coping with the Fussy Eater	*Dr Jennifer Kiing, Associate Consultant
Food Allergy – Fact or Fiction?	*Dr Hugo Van Bever, Professor

\*Chairperson and Speakers are from the Department of Neonatology and Paediatrics, The Children's Medical Institute, National University Hospital.

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## **SEMINAR ON EARLY DETECTION OF HEARING IMPAIRMENT IN INFANCY – ALL YOU NEED TO KNOW, 13 SEPTEMBER 2003**

A half-day seminar on “Early Detection of Hearing Impairment in Infancy – All You Need to Know” was held on 13 September 2003 organised by the Chapter of Paediatricians, Academy of Medicine, Singapore and the Departments of Neonatology & Otorhinolaryngology, National University Hospital. The Singapore Paediatric Society sponsored this event. The venue was at the Auditorium, Level 4, Faculty of Dentistry, National University Hospital. The chairpersons were Drs Steven Ng and Roy Joseph. The faculty of speakers comprised Ms Lela A Luorno who spoke on “Hearing Impairment with Early Intervention – Outcome”, Ms Ng Pick Gate on “Newborn Screening for Hearing Impairment – Technique”, A/Prof Roy Joseph on “Evaluation of Different Screening Strategies”, Dr Low Kah Tzay on “Etiology of Congenital Hearing Impairment”, Ms Saira Matthew on “Objective Diagnosis: How it Works”, Mr Sharad Govil on “Rehabilitation of the Hearing Impaired” and Dr Gerard Chee on “The Role of Surgery”. A total of 37 registrants attended this seminar.

### **4<sup>TH</sup> CHAPTER OF PAEDIATRICIANS LECTURE**

The 2003-2004 Committee of the Chapter of Paediatricians, Academy of Medicine, Singapore will be incorporating its 4<sup>th</sup> Chapter of Paediatricians Lecture during the 8<sup>th</sup> Annual Scientific Meeting of the Chapter to be held on 22 August 2003 in conjunction with the 38<sup>th</sup> Singapore-Malaysia Congress of Medicine.

### **8<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL SCIENTIFIC MEETING, 21 AND 22 AUGUST 2004**

The 8<sup>th</sup> Annual Scientific Meeting of the Chapter of Paediatricians, Academy of Medicine, Singapore will be held over 2 days, a half-day afternoon Symposium on 21 August 2004 and a half-day morning Symposium on 22 August 2004 in conjunction with the 38<sup>th</sup> Singapore-Malaysia Congress of Medicine from 19 to 22 August 2004. A trade exhibition will be held throughout the 4 days of the meeting. The venue will be at the Meritus Mandarin, Singapore. The scientific programme planned for the meeting comprises Symposium I on “Recent Advances in Paediatrics”, Symposium II on “Endocrinology, Psychiatry and Neurology”, followed by a Free Paper and Poster session on 21 August 2004. For 22 August 2004, the scientific sessions will comprise a Nursing Symposium, the 4<sup>th</sup> Chapter of Paediatricians Lecture and Symposium III on “Latest Vaccines and New Antibiotics”.

## **CONTINUING PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT**

The Chapter has posted its sample core Continuing Medical Education Calendar 2004 for Paediatric Medicine on the Academy of Medicine, Singapore website. The calendar comprises of :

- i) Participation at AM-Accredited Local Core Category 1A CME Activities
- ii) Participation at AM-Accredited Local Core Category 1B CME Activities
- iii) Journal Reading from the Recommended List Category 3A
- iv) Participation in AM-Accredited Distance-Learning Programme Category 3B
- v) Participation at AM-Accredited International Specialty Meetings Category 1C

## **COLLEGE OF PAEDIATRICIANS, SINGAPORE**

The Academy of Medicine, Singapore is in the process of forming individual Colleges. The Chapter of Paediatricians, Academy of Medicine, Singapore is in the process of forming a new College as it has more than 100 fellows. The current executive Committee will review the draft Memorandum and Articles of Association for the new College of Paediatricians, Singapore.

## **APPRECIATION**

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

April 2004

Dr Steven C Y Ng  
Honorary Secretary  
2003-2004 Chapter of Paediatricians

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# Chapter of Pathologists

## ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING.

The 17<sup>th</sup> Annual General Meeting of the Chapter of Pathologists was held on Friday, 26 July 2003 at 2.00pm at the Lee Kong Chian Room, Academy of Medicine Singapore, 142 Neil Road, Runme Shaw Building, Singapore 088871.

The following office-bearers for the year 2003 – 2004 were elected:

Chairperson	:	Dr Lim-Tan Soo Kim
Vice-Chairperson	:	Dr Tan Ai Ling
Honorary Secretary	:	Dr Cuthbert E S Teo
Committee Members	:	Dr Ponnudurai Kuperan Dr Sng Li-Hwei Dr Tan Puay Hoon
Co-opted Members	:	Dr Jacqueline S G Hwang Dr Raymond T P Lin

## MEMBERSHIP

The total membership of the Chapter now stands at 55

## COMMITTEE MEETINGS

The Committee held five meetings during the year 2003-2004.

## CONTINUING MEDICAL EDUCATION

The following Continuing Medical Education Lectures were organised by the Chapter:

<u>Date</u>	<u>Description</u>
5 August 2003 (co-organised with TTSH, Singapore Association of Clinical Biochemists and Singapore Society of Pathology)	<b>Molecular Explorations of Cancer</b> (A live webcast from Australia)  The topics/ speakers included: <b>Mice with Gutsy Phenotypes: Lessons Learnt from Society of Manipulating the Mouse Genome</b> Dr Matthias Ernst Joint Laboratory Head, Colon Molecular and Cell Biology Laboratory, Ludwig Institute for Cancer Research, Victoria, Australia  <b>Fishing for Insights into the Genetic Basis of Colorectal Cancer</b> Dr Joan K Heath Joint-Head, Colon Molecular and Cell Biology Laboratory, Ludwig Institute for Cancer Research, Victoria, Australia  <b>Targeted Therapy for Cancer: The Role of Molecular Monitoring</b>

Assoc Professor Tim Hughes  
Head, Melissa White Leukaemia Research Laboratory,  
Division of Haematology, Institute of Medical and Veterinary Science,  
Adelaide, Australia

## The Molecular Detection of Disseminated Tumour Cells in Colorectal Cancer

Dr Jennifer Hardingham  
Head, Molecular Oncology Laboratory, Hanson Institute and Principal Medical Scientist, Haematology-Oncology Department, The Queen Elizabeth Hospital, Woodville, South Australia

Chairperson : Dr Tan Soo Yong

8 December 2003  
(co-organised with the Singapore Society of Pathology)

## Immune Response to Tuberculosis

Dr Seah Geok Teng  
Assistant Professor  
Department of Microbiology  
Faculty of Medicine,  
National University of Singapore

Chairperson : Dr Sng Li-Hwei

16 February 2004  
(co-organised with the Singapore Society of Pathology)

## Molecular Aspects of Malaria Pathogenesis

Dr Kevin Tan  
Assistant Professor  
Department of Microbiology  
Faculty of Medicine,  
National University of Singapore

Chairperson : Dr Raymond Lin

The Chapter participated as a **Nominal Sponsor** at the following events:

These lectures for the Cervical Screen Singapore programme were organised by The Health Promotion Board, Singapore.

<u>Date</u>	<u>Description</u>
31 July 2003	<b>UK's Experience in Cervical Screening and New Screening Technologies</b> Ms Eileen Hewer Consultant to the Cervical Screen Singapore Programme
1 August 2003	<b>Quality Assurance and Training Aspects of a National Cervical Cancer Screening Programme</b> Ms Eileen Hewer
5 August 2003	<b>Quality Assurance for Laboratories</b> Ms Eileen Hewer

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One lecture, organised by The Medico-Legal Society of Singapore

2 December 2003 **Expert Evidence – Current Trends and Problems**

Assoc Professor John Hilton  
Former Clinical Director  
Department of Forensic Medicine  
New South Wales, Australia

Chairperson: Dr Wee Keng Poh

The Department of Pathology and Laboratory Medicine, Tan Tock Seng Hospital organised one lecture.

4 December 2003 **A Multi-Disciplinary Forum : Dynamic Integrated Approach to Diagnosis of Idiopathic Interstitial Pneumonias**

Speakers:

- i) Dr Loo Chian Min  
Consultant Respiratory Physicians, SGH
- ii) Dr Diana Tan  
Consultant Radiologist,  
Department of Diagnostic Radiology, TTSH
- iii) Dr William Travis Chairman  
Department of Pulmonary and Mediastinal Pathology  
Armed Forces Institute of Pathology, Washington DC, USA

Chairperson: Dr Tan Soo Yong

A course jointly organised by the Gynaecological Oncology Unit and the Gynaecological Cancer Centre of the KK Women's & Children's Hospital:

14-15 February 2004 **9<sup>th</sup> Annual Colposcopy Course and 10<sup>th</sup> Annual Oration**

Teaching Faculty: Prof Walter Prendiville, A/Prof Giam Yoke Chin, A/Prof Ho Tew Hong, A/Prof A Ilancheran, A/ Prof Lim Fang Kan, A/Prof Tay Sun Kuie, Dr Inese Busmanis, Dr Chew Sung Hock, Dr Khaliz Razvi, Dr Lee I Wuen, Dr Lim-Tan Soo Kim, Dr Jeffrey Low, Dr Quek Swee Choong, Dr Pritam Singh, Dr Tay Eng Hseon, Dr Tham Kok Fan, Dr Adelina Wong, Dr Lisa Wong, Dr Philip K L Yam

Two lectures organised by the Centre for Forensic Medicine, Health Sciences Authority, Singapore

5 April 2004 **'Shaken Baby Syndrome' – What's New?**

Professor Helen Whitwell  
University of Sheffield, UK

6 April 2004 **Diagnostic Problems in Forensic Neuropathology**

Professor Helen Whitwell  
University of Sheffield, UK

One lecture organised by the Department of Pathology, Singapore General Hospital

5 April 2004

**Performing the Pediatric Autopsy (With Case Examples)"**

Prof J. Thomas Stocker  
Professor of Pediatrics & Pathology  
Department of Pediatrics and Pathology, Uniformed Services University of the Health Sciences  
Bethesda, Maryland, USA

The Chapter co-organised the **Breast Pathology Slide Club** talks

Date

Description

8 August 2003  
(co-organised with the Singapore Society of Pathology)

**Mammaries and Cells: An Afternoon of Breast Cytology**  
Eight cases were presented. The presenters were from the Department of Pathology of SGH (Drs Kenneth Chang, Jacqueline Hwang and Tan Puay Hoon), and the Department of Pathology of NUH (Drs Alexander Russell Chang and Thomas C Putti).

8 November 2003  
(nominal sponsored with the Singapore Society of Pathology)

**Breast Screen Singapore 2<sup>nd</sup> Multidisciplinary Seminar 2003 Pathology Workshop**

**Lecture 1 - Imaged Guided Core Biopsies of the Breast: Radiologic Perspectives**

Dr Wang Shih Chang  
Chief, Department of Diagnostic Imaging, NUH

**Case Presentation/Slide Seminar I**

Five cases were presented. The presenters were from the Department of Pathology of SGH (Drs Ivy Chew, Alwin Loh and Ng Siok Bian) and from the Department of Pathology, of NUH (Drs Nga Min En and Tan Kong Bing).

**Lecture 2 – Atypical Lesions on Core Biopsies: Pathological Approach.**

Dr Tan Puay Hoon  
Senior Consultant, Department of Pathology, SGH

**Case Presentation/Slide Seminar II**

Three cases were presented. The presenters were from the Department of Pathology of SGH (Drs Tan Puay Hoon, Victor Lee and Inese Busmanis)

Chairperson : A/Prof Gilbert Chiang

1 March 2004  
(co-organised with Singapore Society of Pathology, Department of Pathology of SGH and the Health Promotion Board)

**Assessment of Screen Detected Breast Lesions**

Dr Ian O Ellis  
Professor of Cancer Pathology, University Nottingham, UK

Chairperson: Dr Tan Puay Hoon



2 March 2004  
(co-organised with the Singapore Society of Pathology, Department of Pathology of SGH and the Health Promotion Board)

**The Role of Pathological Prognostic Factors in the Clinical Management of Invasive Breast Cancer**

Dr Ian O Ellis  
Professor of Cancer Pathology,  
University of Nottingham, UK

Chairperson: A/Prof Gilbert Chiang

- i) Dr Chan Kwai Peng - Laboratory Diagnosis of SARS.
- ii) Dr Ponnudurai Kuperan - Haematologic Parameters in the Diagnosis and Prognosis of SARS.
- iii) Dr Timothy Barkham - "Infection Control in the Hospital Laboratories".

- b) Symposium 2: Autopsy and Histopathology Slide Seminar.  
The speaker and topic was: Dr Angela Chong - Autopsy and Histopathologic Changes in SARS. This was followed by a viewing of selected histopathologic slides from autopsy cases and a "Question and Answer" session.

The Chapter co-organised the following Haematopathology Slide Seminar:

<u>Date</u>	<u>Description</u>
14 January 2004 (co-organised with the Singapore Society of Pathology and the Singapore Society of Haematology)	<b>Haematopathology Slide Seminar</b>  <b>Case Discussion 1:</b> Dr Tien Sim Leng Senior Consultant, Department of Haematology, SGH  <b>Case Discussion 2:</b> Dr Lai Hock Choong Consultant, Department of Pathology and Laboratory Medicine, TTSH  Chairperson : Dr Ponnudurai Kuperan  <b>Case Discussion 3:</b> Dr Noorainun bte Haji Mohamad Yusof Registrar, Department of Haematology-Oncology, NUH  Chairperson : Dr Ponnudurai Kuperan

The Chapter co-organised the "**Pathologists' Evening – Histopathology Slide Seminar**".

The "Pathologists' Evening – Histopathology Slide Seminar" is held every 2 months. It is conducted as a forum of discussion on interesting cases and a slide exchange programme, set as a platform for education and training for histopathologists. The joint organisers are the Chapter of Pathologists and the Singapore Society of Pathology. The Inaugural Meeting took place on 21 Oct 2003 and the second session was held on 24 Feb 2004.

**14<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL SCIENTIFIC MEETING, 20 SEPTEMBER 2003**

The 14<sup>th</sup> Annual Scientific Meeting of the Chapter of Pathologist was on the topic of "The Laboratory Aspects of the Severe Acute Respiratory Syndrome or SARS". The meeting, jointly organised with Singapore Society of Pathology, was held on 20 Sep 2003, at the Pathology Lecture Theatre, SGH, from 1.30 pm to 5.30 pm. There was a good attendance of 210 registrants. Registration was complimentary.

This meeting consisted of 2 symposia:

- a) Symposium 1: Laboratory Aspects of "SARS".  
The speakers and topics included:

**15<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL SCIENTIFIC MEETING, 21 AUGUST 2004**

The 15<sup>th</sup> Annual Scientific Meeting of the Chapter of Pathologists is scheduled in August 2004, and will comprise a half-day afternoon symposium on Breast Pathology.

**38<sup>TH</sup> SINGAPORE-MALAYSIA CONGRESS OF MEDICINE, 19-22 AUGUST 2004**

The Chapter of Pathologists, Academy of Medicine, Singapore will be organising a half-day morning symposium on 22 Aug 2004 in conjunction with the 38<sup>th</sup> Singapore-Malaysia Congress of Medicine. The venue will be at the Meritus Mandarin, Singapore. The scientific programme comprises two symposia (Symposium 1 on Molecular Pathology, Symposium 2 on Infectious Diseases), and a Free Papers session.

**CONTINUING PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT**

The Chapter has posted its sample core Continuing Medical Education Calendar 2004 for Pathology on the Academy of Medicine website.

The calendar consists involves the following AM-accredited CME-activities:

- i) Local Core, Category 1A;
- ii) Local Core, Category 1B;
- iii) Recommended Regional/International Specialty-Related Meetings, Category 1C;
- iv) Journal Reading from the Recommended List, Category 3A.

**UNIFORM APPROACH TO THE PATHOLOGICAL REPORTING OF BIOMARKERS OF THERAPEUTIC IMPORTANCE.**

The Chapter has formed a working committee to set guidelines on the Uniform Approach to the Pathological Reporting of Biomarkers of Therapeutic Importance. The committee members are Drs Tan Puay Hoon (Committee Co-ordinator), Chuah Khoon Leong, Poh Wee Teng, Thomas C Putti, and Tan Soo Yong.

**STANDARDS FOR PROFESSIONAL SUPERVISION OF PATHOLOGY LABORATORIES**

The Chapter will form a working committee to set up guidelines

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of the Standards for Professional Supervision of Pathology Laboratories.

**RENOMINATED REPRESENTATIVES/CO-ORDINATORS**

The Chapter re-nominated the following members to represent it in various Committees/Subcommittees:	
Fellow	Committee/ Sub-committee
Dr Tan Puay Hoon	Breast Pathology Slide Club
Dr Lim-Tan Soo Kim	Cytology
Dr Lim-Tan Soo Kim	Joint Committee for Cytology (a self-regulated local Board, on overseas certification of and standards for new cytotechnicians)
Dr Jacqueline S G Hwang	National Cervical Cancer Screening Programme Steering Committee
Dr Victor K M Lee, Dr Lim-Tan Soo Kim	Pathologists' Evening – Histopathology & Slide Seminar
Dr Ponnudurai Kuperan,	Specialty Resource Committee

A/Prof Ivy Sng,  
Dr Sunil Kumar Sethi,  
Dr Tan Ai Ling

**APPRECIATION**

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

April 2004      Dr Cuthbert E S Teo  
                         Honorary Secretary  
                         2003 -2004 Chapter of Pathologists

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# Chapter of Physicians

## ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The 36<sup>th</sup> Annual General Meeting of the Chapter of Physicians, Academy of Medicine, Singapore was held on Saturday, 16 August 2003 at 1.00pm at the Training Room, National Dental Centre, 5 Second Hospital Avenue, Singapore 168938.

The office-bearers for the year 2003-2004 were elected as follows:

Chairman	:	Dr Lim Shih Hui
Vice-Chairman	:	Dr Ho King Hee
Honorary Secretary	:	Dr Julian Thumboo
Committee Members	:	Dr Lee Lai Heng Dr Ooi Choon Jin Dr Suresh Sahadeven
Co-opted Members	:	Dr Khoo Kei Siong Dr Kong Keng He Dr Cynthia Goh Dr Lim Swee Han Dr Alan Ng Dr Ng Kheng Siang Dr Helen Oh Dr Sum Chee Fang Dr Wong Kok Seng

## MEMBERSHIP

The total membership of the Chapter now stands at 503.

## COMMITTEE MEETINGS

At the time of writing the Annual Report, the Committee has met four times.

## CONTINUING MEDICAL EDUCATION ACTIVITIES

The following CME lectures were organised:

<u>Date</u>	<u>Description</u>
29 September 2003	<b>Food Allergy: Facts and Controversies</b> Dr Bernard Thong Assoc Consultant Department of Rheumatology and Immunology Tan Tock Seng Hospital Singapore  Chairperson: Dr Julian Thumboo
7 November 2003 (co-organised with the Society for Geriatric Medicine, Singapore and sponsored by Lundbeck)	<b>Evidence Based Approach for the Treatment of Alzheimer's Disease</b> Professor Roy Jones Director, Research Institute for Care Elderly Bath UK  Chairperson: Dr Carol Goh

8 January 2004  
(co-organised with the Society for Geriatric Medicine, Singapore and sponsored by Janssen-Cilag)

## Pain Measurement

Professor Robert D Helme  
Department of Medicine  
Royal Melbourne Hospital and Western Hospitals  
University of Melbourne  
Australia

Chairperson: Dr Ian Leong

12 January 2004  
(co-organised with the Clinical Neuroscience Society Singapore and the Society of Geriatric Medicine, Singapore and sponsored by Eisai Asia)

## Symposium on Vascular Cognitive Impairment

### The Management of Vascular Dementia – its Rational Use of Acetylcholinesterase Inhibitors

Dr Christopher Chen  
Senior Consultant Neurologist  
National Neuroscience Institute  
Singapore

Dr David Wilkinson  
Consultant of Old Age Psychiatry  
Director Memory Assessment and Research Centre  
Southampton, UK

## 13<sup>TH</sup> SEAH CHENG SIANG MEMORIAL LECTURE

Dr Alan Colman, Chief Scientific Officer, ES Cell International Pte Ltd delivered the 13<sup>th</sup> Seah Cheng Siang Memorial Lecture entitled "The Rocky Road from Dolly to Human Embryonic Stem Cells: Has it been a Worthwhile and Justifiable Scientific Pursuit?" on 16 August 2003, during the 22<sup>nd</sup> Annual Scientific Meeting of the Chapter Physicians at the Auditorium, National Dental Centre, Singapore.

## 14<sup>TH</sup> SEAH CHENG SIANG MEMORIAL LECTURE

The 14<sup>th</sup> Seah Cheng Siang Memorial Lecture entitled "Systematic Sclerosis: State of the Art" will be delivered by Professor Carol M Black, President of the Royal College of Physicians (London), UK at the 1<sup>st</sup> Annual Scientific Meeting of the \*College of Physicians, Singapore held in conjunction with the 38<sup>th</sup> Singapore-Malaysia Congress of Medicine.

\*Pending Incorporation

## 22<sup>ND</sup> ANNUAL SCIENTIFIC MEETING, 16 AUGUST 2003

The 22<sup>nd</sup> Annual Scientific Meeting was held on 16 August 2003 at the National Dental Centre. The Meeting comprised the 13<sup>th</sup> Seah Cheng Siang Memorial Lecture and a Symposium on Update on

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SARS. The symposium featured four lectures viz 'Epidemiological Patterns – Singapore and the World' by Dr Chew Souk Kai, 'Disease Spectrum – Are we different from the Rest?' by Dr Brenda Ang, 'Diagnostic Tests – What do we have so far?' by Dr Ling Ai Ee and 'Management Strategies – Lessons Learnt and Future Directions' by Dr Leo Yee Sin.

#### **TRANSFORMATION OF THE CHAPTER INTO THE COLLEGE OF PHYSICIANS, SINGAPORE**

The Chapter of Physicians, with more than 500 fellows in the field of Internal Medicine, is the biggest Chapter in the Academy. Unlike some other Chapters representing specialists in single specialty, our Chapter represents physicians from 15 SAB-recognised specialties. Under the current organisational structure of the Academy, it is very difficult for the Chapter to look after the interests of these physicians from 15 different specialties, to develop these specialties professionally and to cater for the development of additional subspecialties. One of the ways to enhance the professional development of internal medicine and its related specialties, and in fact the only way the Academy has approved to date, is to transform the Chapter of Physicians into the College of Physicians, Singapore.

Preparation for the formation of Colleges started 3-4 years ago. The 2002-2003's Academy Council undertook a major review of the Academy's Memorandum & Articles of Association (M&A), an essential and important exercise in the preparation for the setting up of Colleges. Many Fellows at the last Academy's AGM spoke strongly and convincingly in favour of the amendments. Their presence and overwhelming support had resulted in the unanimous approval of all the amendments related to the formation of the College.

For the last 8 months, our Master, Past-Master, Academy Council Members, Chapter Committee members and Academy's secretariat staff have contributed much time and effort to prepare for the formation of the College. A strategic planning session was held for our Chapter in September 2003. This was followed by preparation of the College's M&As, which was passed by the Academy Council on 9<sup>th</sup> February 2004 and was passed by Academy Fellows at the EOGM on 27<sup>th</sup> March 2004. The M&A has been submitted, by the Academy, through the Ministry of Health, to Minister of Finance, Comptroller of Income Tax and Commissioner of Charities for approval. Once this has been approved, we will apply to the Registry of Company and Business for the incorporation of the College of Physicians. Nomination and election of College Council Members, Office Bearers and Chapter Chairmen will be conducted before a planned College AGM in July 2004.

The proposed College of Physicians will be an independent legal entity. It will have 14 Chapters for the 14 SAB-recognized specialties (Fellow in the Emergency Medicine specialty have decided to form a Chapter under the Academy of Medicine). These Chapters will have the same status and privileges as current Chapters of the Academy of Medicine. The College will also facilitate the development of other specialties, yet to be recognized by SAB, by forming Specialty Sections within the College. Each Chapter will be administered by a Specialty Board with elected and appointed Board Members as well as representatives from the respective Specialty Society. Similarly, each Section will be run by a Committee. The College in turn will be governed by a College Council comprising elected Council Members and all Specialty Board & Section Committee Chairmen. Application to the Singapore Medical Council for the use of FCPS (Fellow of College of Physicians, Singapore) as an additional registrable qualification has been made by Academy.

In the next few years, the College will concentrate its efforts in enhancing Continuing Professional Development (CPD) of specialists. In future, it will also play a significant role in training, certification and recertification of specialists.

This is an exciting and challenging time for the Chapter and all Physicians in Singapore. With the formation of a College of Physicians, we will have more autonomy and greater latitude to improve and co-ordinate professional development with Specialty Societies and like bodies, locally, regionally and internationally. We will treasure this unique window of opportunity, which will allow professional bodies like the Academy, our future College and new Chapters, to take proactive and leading roles in professional development and self regulation of specialist doctors in Singapore.

#### **APPRECIATION**

The Chapter Committee would like to express its gratitude to members of the Chapter of Physicians for their support of the Chapter's activities in the past year as well as for ongoing projects, and to the Academy's secretariat for their support.

April 2004

Dr Julian Thumboo  
Honorary Secretary  
2003-2004 Chapter of Physicians

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# Chapter of Psychiatrists

## ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The 17<sup>th</sup> Annual General Meeting of the Chapter of Psychiatrists was held on Friday, 4 July 2003 at 6.00pm at the Lee Kong Chian Room, Academy of Medicine, Singapore, 142 Neil Road, Runme Shaw Building, Singapore 088871.

The office-bearers for the year 2003-2004 were elected as follows:

Chairman	:	Dr Ong Thiew Chai
Vice-Chairperson	:	Dr Ong Seh Hong
Honorary Secretary	:	Dr John C M Wong
Committee Members	:	Dr Ang Yong Guan Dr Calvin S L Fones Dr Kok Lee Peng
Co-opted Members	:	Dr Ng Beng Yeong Dr Yap Hwa Ling

## MEMBERSHIP

The total membership of the Chapter now stands at 75.

## COMMITTEE MEETINGS

The Committee held four meetings during the year 2003-2004.

## CONTINUING MEDICAL EDUCATION

The following Continuing Medical Education Lectures were organised:

<u>Date</u>	<u>Description</u>
1 August 2003 (co-organised with Department of Psychological Medicine, Tan Tock Seng Hospital)	<b>Milton Erickson: His Life &amp; His Work</b> Dr Brent B Greary Co-ordinator for Training Milton H. Erickson Foundation Chairperson : Dr Chan Keen Loong
5 August 2003 (co-organised with Mount Elizabeth -Charter, Behavioural Health Services. Sponsored by Pfizer Neuroscience)	<b>Anaesthetic Risks in Electro-Convulsive Therapy</b> Dr Susan Toh Consultant Anaesthesiologist Chairperson : Dr Boey Wah Keong
2 September 2003 (co-organised with Mount Elizabeth - Charter, Behavioural Health Services. Sponsored by Pfizer Neuroscience)	<b>An Update on Childhood Autism</b> Dr Sharon Chan Consultant Psychiatrist Sharon Chan Child Guidance Clinic Gleneagles Medical Centre Chairperson : Dr Ng Koon Hock

7 October 2003  
(co-organised with Mount Elizabeth - Charter, Behavioural Health Services. Sponsored by Pfizer Neuroscience)

**Overview of Solution Focused Brief Therapy**  
Dr Ng Koon Hock  
Consultant Psychiatrist  
Thomson Medical Centre  
Chairperson : Dr Lionel Lim

14 October 2003  
(sponsored by Lundbeck)

**Symposium :**

**Creativity and Mental Illness**  
Dr Ang Yong Guan  
Consultant Psychiatrist  
Eastern Specialist Centre Pte Ltd

**Raising the Standards of Antidepressant Therapy**  
Professor Siegfried Kasper  
Chairman, Department of General Psychiatry  
University of Vienna  
Austria

Chairman : Dr Ong Thiew Chai

31 October 2003  
(sponsored by Eli Lilly (Singapore) Pte Ltd)

**Treatment Strategies for Bipolar Disorders:**  
Dr Chua Hong Choon  
Consultant Psychiatrist  
Institute of Mental Health

**Latest Development in the Treatment Strategies for Bipolar Disorders**  
Professor Michael Berk  
Professor of Psychiatry  
University of Melbourne  
Australia

18 November 2003  
(co-organised with Mount Elizabeth - Charter, Behavioural Health Services. Sponsored by Pfizer Neuroscience)

**Suicide in Singapore : An Update**  
Dr Chia Boon Hock  
Consultant Psychiatrist  
Tangling Shopping Centre  
Chairperson : Dr Tan Chue Tin

6 January 2004  
(co-organised with Mount Elizabeth - Charter, Behavioural Health Services. Sponsored by Pfizer Neuroscience)

**Sleep Disorders : Automatism**  
Overview of Automatism in Sleep  
Dr Yeo Poh Teck  
Consultant Neurologist  
Yeo Neurology & Clinical Neurophysiology  
Gleneagles Medical Centre

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### **Forensic Aspects**

Dr Kok Lee Peng  
Consultant Psychiatrist  
Gleneagles Medical Centre

9 January 2004  
(co-organised with  
Mount Elizabeth  
– Charter, Behavioural  
Health Services.  
Eastern Specialist  
Centre Sponsored  
by Elli Lilly  
(Singapore) Pte Ltd)

**Meaningful Day Programme :  
What is Schizophrenia?**  
Dr Ang Yong Guan  
Consultant Psychiatrist  
Eastern Specialist Centre  
Chairperson : Dr Kok Lee Peng

3 February 2004  
(co-organised with  
Mount Elizabeth  
– Charter, Behavioural  
Health Services.  
Sponsored by  
Pfizer Neuroscience)

**Assessment Issues in Child  
Custody**  
Dr Douglas Kong  
Consultant Psychiatrist  
Ang & Kong Psychiatric and  
Behavioural Medicine Clinic  
Chairperson : Dr Ang Peng Chye

2 March 2004  
(co-organised with  
Mount Elizabeth  
– Charter, Behavioural  
Health Services.  
Sponsored by  
Pfizer Neuroscience)

**Prodromal Syndrome of  
Schizophrenia :  
Findings from a Local Study**  
Dr Ang Yong Guan  
Consultant Psychiatrist  
Mount Elizabeth Medical Centre  
Chairperson : Dr Tan Chue Tin

12 March 2004  
(co-organised with  
Mount Elizabeth  
– Charter, Behavioural  
Health Services.  
Sponsored by  
Eli Lilly  
(Singapore) Pte Ltd)

**Meaningful Day Programme :  
Understanding Your Medication**  
Dr Chew Peng Hoe  
Consultant Psychiatrist  
Parkway Shenton Pte Ltd  
Chairperson : Dr Tan Chue Tin

6 April 2004  
(co-organised with  
Mount Elizabeth  
– Charter, Behavioural  
Health Services.  
Sponsored by  
Pfizer Neuroscience)

**Anxiety Disorders: An Update**  
Dr Tan Soo Teng  
Consultant Psychiatrist  
Gleneagles Medical Centre  
Chairperson : Dr Kok Lee Peng

### **HALF-DAY SYMPOSIUM – 38<sup>TH</sup> SINGAPORE-MALAYSIA CONGRESS OF MEDICINE**

The 2003-2004 Committee of the Chapter of Psychiatrists, Academy of Medicine, Singapore will hold a half-day afternoon Symposium on 22 August 2004 in conjunction with the 38<sup>th</sup> Singapore-Malaysia Congress of Medicine to be held from 19 to 22 August 2004. The venue will be at the Meritus Mandarin, Singapore.

### **CONTINUING PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT**

The Chapter has posted its sample core Continuing Medical Education Calendar 2004 for Psychiatry on the Academy of Medicine, Singapore website. The calendar comprises of :

- i) Participation at AM-Accredited Local Core Category 1A CME Activities
- ii) Participation at AM –Accredited Local Core Category 1B CME Activities
- iii) Journal Reading from the Recommended List Category 3A

### **EDUCATIONAL GRANT/DONATION**

The 2003-2004 Chapter of Psychiatrists, Academy of Medicine, Singapore received donations from 2 pharmaceutical companies – an unrestricted educational grant from Eli Lilly (Singapore) Pte Ltd of \$500.00 and a donation of \$1,000.00 from Lundbeck Export A/S. These donations will be channelled towards facilitating continuing medical education for the Chapter of Psychiatrists.

### **APPRECIATION**

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

April 2004  
Dr John C M Wong  
Honorary Secretary  
2003-2004 Chapter of Psychiatrists

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# Chapter of Public Health & Occupational Physicians

## ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The 22<sup>nd</sup> Annual General Meeting of the Chapter of Public Health & Occupational Physicians was held on Monday, 21 July 2003 at 5.00pm at Ransome Lounge, Academy of Medicine, Singapore, 142 Neil Road, Runme Shaw Building, Singapore 088871.

The Office-bearers for the year 2003-2004 were elected as follows:

Chairman	:	Dr Lee Hock Siang
Vice-Chairman	:	Dr Jeffery Cutter
Honorary Secretary	:	Dr Gregory Chan
Members	:	Dr Saw Seang Mei Dr Arthur Chern Dr Lau Hong Choon
Co-opted Member	:	Dr Andre Wan

## MEMBERSHIP

The total membership of the Chapter now stands at 94 with the inclusion of 10 new members (as at 30 March 2004).

## COMMITTEE MEETINGS

The committee held six committee meetings as at 6 May 2004.

## ACTIVITIES

The Chapter organized a total of 20 CME lectures from July 2003 to May 2004.

## CONTINUING MEDICAL EDUCATION

The following continuing medical education lectures were organised:

<u>Date</u>	<u>Description</u>
1 August 2003	<b>The Use of Salivary Biomarkers in Occupational Health</b> Professor David Koh Professor Department of Community, Occupational & Family Medicine National University of Singapore  Chairperson: Professor Ong Choon Nam
4 August 2003	<b>National Disease/Syndromic Surveillance System: Discussion on some available models internationally</b> Dr Dan Rosen Chief, Statistics, Demographics and Informatics Section CDC/KEMRI Research Station Kisumu, Kenya Epidemiologist US Center for Disease Control and Prevention, Statistics and Data Management Section  Chairperson: Associate Professor Chia Kee Seng

15 August 2003

### **Private Medical Practice in China: Implications for Health Policy**

Associate Professor Lim Meng Kin  
Department of Community,  
Occupational & Family Medicine  
National University of Singapore

Chairperson: Associate Professor  
Adeline Seow

5 September 2003

### **Molecular Mechanisms in Oxidative Stress-Induced Cell Death**

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

Chairperson: Professor Ong Choon  
Nam

16 September 2003

### **How Occupational Health Affects The Bottom Line**

Dr Mark Cunningham-Hill  
Director and Head  
Global Health Strategy and  
Governance  
Glaxo SmithKline

Chairperson: Dr Lee Hock Siang

19 September 2003

### **Glucose-Activated Pathways and Genetic Susceptibility to Diabetic Nephropathy**

Dr Daniel Ng  
Research Fellow  
Department of Community,  
Occupational & Family Medicine

Chairperson: Professor Lee Hin Peng

3 October 2003

### **Comparative Health Systems Analysis in the Asia-Pacific Region**

Associate Professor Phua Kai Hong  
Department of Community,  
Occupational & Family Medicine  
National University of Singapore

Chairperson: Associate Professor  
Wong Mee Lian

17 October 2003

### **E-Learning in Public Health - The NUS Experience**

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

Chairperson: Professor Lee Hin Peng

7 November 2003 **New Growth (BMI for Age) Charts for School Children in Singapore**  
Adjunct Associate Professor Mabel Yap  
Director  
Research & Information Management  
Division  
Health Promotion Board  
  
Chairperson: Associate Professor Saw  
Seang Mei

21 November 2003 **Angiotensin II and Its Role in Breast Cancer**  
Assistant Professor Koh Woon Puay  
Department of Community,  
Occupational & Family Medicine  
National University of Singapore  
  
Chairperson: Professor Lee Hin Peng

2 January 2004 **Ambulatory Care Diabetic Control**  
Associate Professor Goh Lee Gan  
Department of Community,  
Occupational & Family Medicine  
National University of Singapore  
  
Chairperson: Associate Professor Lim  
Meng Kin

16 January 2004 **Making Sense of Health Data and Information Systems - A Primer?**  
Dr Jason Yap  
National Healthcare Group  
  
Chairperson: Professor Lee Hin Peng

6 February 2004 **Metabolic Polymorphisms: Can They Help Us Understand the Pathogenesis of Lung Cancer in Non-Smokers**  
Associate Professor Adeline Seow  
Department of Community,  
Occupational & Family Medicine  
National University of Singapore  
  
Chairperson: Associate Professor Chia  
Kee Seng

20 February 2004 **STI Control Programme in Singapore**  
Adjunct Associate Professor Roy Chan  
National Skin Centre  
  
Chairperson: Associate Professor Chia  
Kee Seng

5 March 2004 **Long Term Effects of Condom Promotion Programmes for Vaginal and Oral Sexually Transmitted Infections among Sex Workers in Singapore.**  
Associate Professor Wong Mee Lian  
Department of Community,  
Occupational & Family Medicine  
National University of Singapore  
  
Chairperson: Professor David Koh

11 March 2004 **Ethical Review of Research Involving Human Subjects (with particular emphasis on Epidemiologic Studies)**  
Professor Lee Hin Peng  
Department of Community,  
Occupational & Family Medicine  
National University of Singapore  
  
Chairperson: Professor David Koh

19 March 2004 **Experiences in a United Nations Military Hospital in Timor Leste**  
Lieutenant Colonel Dr Gregory Chan  
HQ Medical Corps Singapore Armed  
Force  
  
Chairperson: Associate Professor Lim  
Meng Kin

2 April 2004 **Study on Musculoskeletal Symptoms in the Hotel Industry**  
Adjunct Associate Professor Lee Hock  
Siang  
Specialist Medical Advisor  
Ministry of Manpower  
  
Chairperson: Associate Professor Chia  
Sin Eng

The majority of the lectures were co-organized with the Department of Community, Occupational & Family Medicine, National University of Singapore; other partners included the Health Promotion Board and the Occupational and Environmental Health Society.

#### 9<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL SCIENTIFIC MEETING, 17 APRIL 2004

The 9<sup>th</sup> Annual Scientific Meeting was held on Saturday, 17 April 2004 at the National University of Singapore. The theme of the meeting was "The Role of Public Health and Occupational Medicine in the New Millennium". The meeting was well received with a total of 120 participants.

Ms Yong Ying-I, Permanent Secretary for Ministry of Manpower was invited as the Guest-of-Honour to grace the opening of the 9th Annual Scientific Meeting.

The scientific programme comprised a keynote address by Professor Lee Hin Peng, from the Department of Community, Occupational & Family Medicine, on "The Role of Public Health & Occupational Physicians in the New Millennium". There were 2 plenary lectures and 4 symposia lecture sessions.

Plenary lectures:

1. "Emerging Infectious Diseases in the New Millennium" by Prof Roger Detels, Chairman, Department of Epidemiology, UCLA School of Public Health, Los Angeles, California, USA
2. "Emerging Occupational Health Issues in the New Economy" by Prof Aw Tar Ching, Head, Division of Occupational Health, Kent Institute of Medicine and Health Sciences, University of Kent, United Kingdom



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Symposia sessions:

1. "Update on Occupational Safety and Health Legislation in Singapore" by Dr Ho Sweet Far, Deputy Director for Occupational Health Department, Ministry of Manpower.
2. "Health of Healthcare Workers" by Dr Gan Siok Lin, Specialist Medical Advisor for the Occupational Health Department, Ministry of Manpower.
3. "Bio-Terrorism" by Associate Professor BG (Dr) Lionel Lee, Director for Defence Medical & Environment Research Institute Singapore.
4. "The Pharmaceutical Industry and the Public Health Physician" by Dr Justin Chin, Asst Medical Director, Merck, Sharp and Dohme, Singapore

In addition to the Best Oral and Best Poster Award, for the first time this year, the Scientific Meeting included an Essay Writing Competition entitled "What Do You Think Will be the Most Important Role or Responsibility that Public Health Physicians / Occupational Medicine Physicians in Singapore Will Have to Take on in the 20<sup>st</sup> Century".

The following awards were presented at the Meeting:

1. The winner for the Best Oral Paper was awarded to Mr Jeremy Ng from the Ministry of Health, Singapore. He submitted the paper on "Meliodosis Associated with Heavy Rainfall in Singapore, January–March 2004"
2. The winner for the Best Poster Paper was awarded to Mr Lin Yu from the Singapore Eye Research Institute. He submitted the paper on "Risk Factors of Myopia Progression in Singapore School Children".
3. The winner for the Essay Competition was awarded to Dr Jason Yap from the National Health Care Group.

### **SINGAPORE GATEWAY EVENT TO THE 18<sup>th</sup> WORLD CONFERENCE ON HEALTH PROMOTION AND HEALTH EDUCATION, 23 APRIL 2004, ORCHARD HOTEL**

The Chapter worked with the Health Promotion Board and the Department of Community, Occupational and Family Medicine, NUS to co-organise the Singapore Gateway Event to the 18th World Conference on Health Promotion and Health Education on 23 April 2004 at the Orchard Hotel. The theme of the Event was Recent Advances in Health Promotion in Singapore. Over 330 participants attended the Event and the Guest of Honour was the newly appointed Director of Medical Services, Professor K Satku.

The keynote address was given by Dr David McQueen, Assistant Director for Global Health Promotion, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), USA, who spoke on the "Critical Importance of the 'Evidence Debate' in Health Promotion". Five local speakers made presentations on health promotion strategies in Singapore, including such topics as an overview of health promotion, communications strategies during the SARS outbreak, health promotion among sex workers, the national smoking control programme and health promotion in the primary care setting. About 30 posters were presented on a wide range of subjects from SARS to smoking to STDs, from School Health to health screening, and from nutrition programmes and research to gender-specific health promotion programmes and research.

April 2004

Dr Gregory Chan  
Honorary Secretary  
2003-2004 Chapter of Public Health  
and Occupational Physicians

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# Chapter of Radiologists

## ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The 30th Annual General Meeting of the Chapter of Radiologists was held on Wednesday, 9 July 2003 at 5.30pm at the Lee Kong Chian Room, Academy of Medicine, Singapore, 142 Neil Road, Runme Shaw Building, Singapore 088871.

The office-bearers for the year 2003-2004 were elected as follows:

Chairman	:	Dr Tan Bien Soo
Vice-Chairman	:	Dr Chua Eu Tiong
Honorary Secretary	:	Dr Anthony S W Goh
Committee Members	:	Dr Lee Kim Shang Dr Tchoyoson C C Lim Dr Samuel E S Ng Dr Goh Poh Sun (co-opted) Dr Anne P A Tan Kendrick (co-opted) Dr Tay Kiang Hiong (co-opted) Dr Wong Wai Yin (co-opted)

## MEMBERSHIP

The total membership of the Chapter now stands at 108.

## COMMITTEE MEETINGS

The Committee held 5 meetings this year.

## CONTINUING MEDICAL EDUCATION ACTIVITIES

The following Continuing Medicine Education (CME) lectures were jointly organised with the Singapore Radiological Society and other professional bodies/institutions as stated:

<u>Date</u>	<u>Description</u>
15 July 2003 (co-organised with National Neuroscience Institute)	<b>The Expanding Roles of Endovascular Stenting for the Treatment of Cerebrovascular Disease</b> Dr John C Chaloupka Director Custom Stent & Interventional Radiological Device Center Department of Radiology University of Iowa Hospital and Clinics Iowa City, Iowa, USA  Chairperson: Dr Francis Hui
14 August 2003	<b>CT Coronary Angiography – Indications and Pitfalls</b> Dr Christoph R. Becker Chief of Body CT Department of Radiology University of Munich Germany  Chairperson: Dr Cheah Foong Koon

9 September 2003  
(co-organised with Singapore Society of Oncology)

**PET and PET-CT in Malignant Disease – Staging, Restaging and Viability after Therapy**  
Professor Hans Biersack  
Professor and Head  
Department of Nuclear Medicine  
University of Bonn  
Germany

Chairperson: Dr V K Sethi

10 September 2003  
(co-organised with Department of Neuroradiology, National Neuroscience Institute)

**Brain SPECT and PET in Neurology and Psychiatry**  
Professor Hans Biersack  
Professor and Head  
Department of Nuclear Medicine  
University of Bonn  
Germany

Chairperson: Dr Anthony Goh

11 September 2003  
(co-organised with Endocrine & Metabolic Society of Singapore)

**MIBG and Octreotide Imaging in Neuroendocrine Tumours – Is it Useful to Plan Metabolic Radionuclide Therapy?**  
Professor Hans Biersack  
Professor and Head  
Department of Nuclear Medicine  
University of Bonn  
Germany

Chairperson: Dr Chionh Siok Bee

23 September 2003  
(co-organised with Department of Neuroradiology, National Neuroscience Institute)

**Endovascular Therapy of Intracranial Aneurysms**  
Professor Michael Forsting  
Chairman, Neuroradiology  
University of Essen  
Germany

Chairperson: Dr Francis Hui

23 September 2003  
(co-organised with Department of Diagnostic Imaging, National Cancer Centre)

**MR Imaging in Rectal Cancer: Forms & Function**  
Dr Koh Dow Mu  
Consultant  
Department of Diagnostic Radiology  
Royal Marsden Hospital  
London, UK

Chairperson: Dr Thng Choon Hua

25 September 2003

**Functional MRI of the Kidneys**  
Dr Teh Hui Seong  
Consultant  
Department of Diagnostic Radiology  
Changi General Hospital

Chairperson: Dr Kevin Chen

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16 October 2003 **Approach to HRCT of the Lung**  
Dr Gregory Kaw  
Associate Consultant  
Department of Diagnostic Imaging  
Tan Tock Seng Hospital

Chairperson: Dr Cheah Foong Koon

31 October 2003 **What's New in Embolics?**  
Professor Robert I. White  
Director, Yale Vascular Malformation  
Center  
Professor of Diagnostic Radiology  
Yale University School of Medicine

Chairperson: Dr Tan Bien Soo

11 November 2003 **The UK National Breast Screening  
Programme: Current Status &  
Future Perspectives**  
Dr Michael Michell  
Consultant Radiologist  
King's College Hospital  
Clinical Director  
South East London Breast Screening  
Services &  
National Breast Screening Training  
Centre

Chairperson: Dr Wang Shih-Chang

19 February 2004 **Arrhythmogenic Right Ventricular  
Dysplasia and Other  
Cardiomyopathies**  
Professor Arthur Stillman  
Head of Cardiovascular MRI  
Cleveland Clinic Foundation  
Ohio, USA

Chairperson: Dr Kevin Chen

24 February 2004 **MRI/CT for Chest Pain and Acute  
IHD in the Emergency Department**  
Professor Arthur Stillman  
Head of Cardiovascular MRI  
Cleveland Clinic Foundation  
Ohio, USA

Chairperson: Dr Kevin Chen

25 March 2004 **Imaging and Acute Pancreatitis**  
Professor Patrice M. Bret  
Radiologist-in-Chief,  
Department of Medical Imaging,  
Mount Sinai Hospital & University  
Health Network,  
Toronto, Ontario, Canada

Chairperson: Dr Wang Shih-Chang

## F Y KHOO LECTURE

To honour Dr F Y Khoo for his numerous achievements and the influence he has had on Radiology in Singapore, the Chapter of Radiologists, Academy of Medicine, Singapore, in conjunction with the Singapore Radiological Society, established an annual lectureship named the F Y Khoo Lecture. The terms of this lectureship are as follows: -

The Lectureship will be held annually and delivered during the Singapore Radiological Society / Chapter of Radiologists Annual Scientific Meeting (ASM).

The topic of the lecture should be of professional, academic or scientific content that is related to Radiology. The lecturer should preferably be a prominent local member of the radiological community, although an overseas lecturer can be appointed once every 3 years. The overseas lecturer, if selected, should be from the faculty of the ASM for that year.

A selection committee comprising 2 members of the Chapter of Radiologists Committee, 2 members of the Singapore Radiological Society Executive Committee and the Chairman of the ASM will be set up annually to select a suitable candidate 6 months prior to the ASM. Fellows of the Chapter and members of the Society can write in with nominations to the selection committee. The committee is responsible for appointing the lecturer and co-ordinating the topic of the Lecture. The inaugural Lectureship will be exempt from this process and delivered by Dr Chow Khuen Wai, Past Master of the Academy of Medicine, Singapore.

The F Y Khoo Lectureship medal will be presented to the lecturer in appreciation of the Lecture. The F Y Khoo Lectureship fund will be set up under the Academy of Medicine, Singapore and managed by the Chapter of Radiologists to fund the costs of the medal. Should the lecturer selected be from overseas, the travel and accommodation expenses will be borne by the Organizing Committee of the ASM.

Dr Chow Khuen Wai was awarded the Inaugural F Y Khoo Lectureship. He delivered the Inaugural F Y Khoo lecture titled "Reflections of a Septuagenarian – Radiology: Past, Present and Future" on 21 February 2004 at the 13<sup>th</sup> Annual Scientific Meeting. The event is a milestone in the history of Radiology in Singapore and was graced by the presence of Dr F Y Khoo in person.

## 13<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL SCIENTIFIC MEETING

The Chapter of Radiologists, Academy of Medicine, Singapore and the Singapore Radiological Society jointly organised the 13<sup>th</sup> Singapore Radiological Society Annual Scientific Meeting. It was held on the 21 & 22 February 2004 at Tan Tock Seng Hospital. The theme was "New Horizons in Cardiovascular and Interventional Radiology". A total of 313 participants, comprising doctors, nurses and radiographers attended the Meeting.

2 concurrent workshops – Radiographers' and Nurses' Workshop and Brachytherapy Workshop were included. This Meeting also incorporated a Live Case Demonstration featuring 3 cases. The plenary lecture – Cardiac MR – Clinical Applications and the Utility of the Technique was delivered by Professor Arthur E. Stillman, Head of Cardiovascular MRI, Division of Radiology at the Cleveland Clinic Foundation, USA.

The Organising Committee comprised the following members:

Chairperson	Dr Lau Te Neng
Scientific	Dr Tay Kiang Hiong Dr Teh Hui Seong
Treasurer	Dr Teo Ngee
Publicity & Publications	Dr Gabriel Lau Dr Thoo Fei Ling
Liaison	Dr Tan Bien Soo
Logistics	Dr Chng Soke Miang
Registration	Dr David Ng Chee Eng Dr Yap Swee Peng
Social	Dr Kevin Chen

A total of 9 papers were submitted for the Best Oral Paper award while there were 13 entries competing for the Best Poster award. Dr Tay Kiang Hiong of Department of Diagnostic Radiology, Singapore General Hospital, was awarded the Best Oral Paper with his paper titled "Gene Expression Profiling of Neo-Intimal Hyperplasia Using Oligonucleotide Microarray Technology in the Rat Carotid Artery Re-Stenosis Model".

The Best Poster Award went to Dr Hemant Parmar of National Neuroscience Institute whose winning poster was titled "Hippocampal Damage during Seizures: Can DW MR Imaging and MR Spectroscopy Predict Future Temporal Sclerosis?".

8 papers were selected for presentation for the Young Radiologist Award. Dr Sudhakar K Venkatesh of Department of Diagnostic Imaging, National University Hospital won the award with his winning paper titled "Detection of Pulmonary Emboli with Thin Slice (3mm) Maximum Intensity Projection Reconstructions of Multi-detector CT Pulmonary Angiography".

#### **CLINICAL PRACTICE GUIDELINES**

The Chapter and the Singapore Radiological Society have worked on several guidelines. To be printed under the auspices of the Academy, the 5 sets of guidelines listed below have been sent to print.

#### **Guidelines on Breast Biopsy using Vacuum Assisted Devices (such as Mammotome)**

Chairman	: Dr John Hoe
Members	: Dr Hong Ga Sze, Dr Thng Choon Hua, Dr Wee Siew Bock and Dr Jill Wong

#### **Guidelines for Professional Responsibilities for PET-CT Imaging**

Chairman	: Dr Anthony S W Goh
Members	: Dr Ang Ee Sin, Dr Cheah Foong Koon, Dr Yvonne Y W Ho, Dr James B K Khoo, Dr Terence T K Tan, Dr Thoo Fei Ling and Dr Wong Wai Yin

#### **Guidelines on the Use of Magnetic Resonance Imaging in Clinical Medicine - 2003**

Chairman	: Dr Sitoh Yih Yian
Members	: Dr Chan Lai Peng, Dr Chan Ling Ling, Dr Chng Soke Miang, Dr Samuel Ng and Dr Thng Choon Hua

#### **Clinical Practice Guidelines on Radiosurgery and Stereotactic Radiotherapy**

Chairman	: Dr Chua Eu Tiong
Advisor	: Dr Bengt Karlsson
Members	: Dr Chumpon Chan, Dr Alvin Hong, Dr Francis Hui, Dr Khor Tong Hong, Dr Lee Kheng Hin, Dr Lee Kim Shang, Dr Timothy Lee, Dr Winston Lim, Dr Ong Peck Leong, Dr Terence Tan, Mr Wong Toh Jui and Dr Yeo Tseng Tsai

#### **Guidelines on Clinical Indications for Positron Emission Tomography (PET) Scanning**

The Academy was tasked by the Ministry of Health, Singapore to prepare the set of guidelines – "Guidelines on Clinical Indications for Positron Emission Tomography (PET) Scanning". The workgroup consisted of doctors from the Chapter of Radiologists, the Chapter of Surgeons and Chapter of Physicians.

Chairman	: Dr Anthony S W Goh
Members	: Dr Chua Eu Tiong, Dr Terrance S J Chua, Dr Gilbert H W Keng, Dr James B K Khoo, Dr Khoo Kei Siong, Dr Lee Khai Mun, Dr Lim Hong Liang, Dr Lim Yean Teng, Dr David C E Ng, Dr London Lucien Ooi, Dr Felix Sundram, Dr Tan Yew Oo, Dr Tang Kok Foo, Dr Wong Meng Cheong and Dr Wong Wai Yin

#### **IV Contrast Guidelines**

Chairman	: Dr Goh Poh Sun
Members	: Dr Goh Choo Beng, Dr Koh Wan Lin, Dr Tchoyoson Lim, Dr Anne Tan Kendrick, Dr Tang Phua Hwee and Dr Wong Siew Kune

The preparation of this set of guidelines is in progress.

#### **2<sup>ND</sup> JOINT COMMITTEE ON CONTINUING MEDICAL EDUCATION (CME)**

Chairman	: Dr Samuel Ng
Members	: Dr June Chong, Dr Anthony Goh, Dr Kwek Boon Han, Dr Tchoyoson Lim, Dr Andrew Tan, Dr Tan Bien Soo, Dr Terence Tan and Dr Thoo Fei Ling

The two ways for members to accrue CME points are via attending CME lectures and electronic learning. For 2003, the Joint Committee began drafting a more structured CME programme of monthly talks, with a view of updating both Advanced Specialty Trainees (ASTs) and the more senior radiologists. This programme will have a 2-year cycle, commencing in June 2004 and will cover the eight radiological subspecialties – Chest/ Cardiovascular and Interventional Radiology, Abdominal Imaging, Breast Imaging, Obstetrics and Gynaecology Imaging, Paediatric Imaging, Musculoskeletal Imaging, Brain/ ENT Imaging and Vascular and Interventional Radiology.

For electronic learning, the Academy has started a Distance Learning Programme (DLP). Four journal articles will be posted on the

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Academy website, one per quarter. The radiologists reviewing the article will be required to take an MCQ test at the end of the session. The Joint Committee is also looking into formalizing other forms of electronic learning for its members.

#### **VISITING ACADEMICIAN 2003**

Professor Robert I White, Jr, Director of Yale Vascular Malformation Center and Professor of Diagnostic Radiology of School of Medicine in Yale University was appointed the Visiting Academician for 2003. He gave his lecture titled "What's New in Embolics?" on 31 October 2003.

#### **THE FUTURE OF THE CHAPTER OF RADIOLOGISTS/ RESTRUCTURING**

The Chapter of Radiologists will be one of the 6 Chapters to be transformed into a College. While remaining a subsidiary of the Academy, the restructuring process will allow the College to be a separate legal entity which enjoys more autonomy. The College will also work closely with the Singapore Radiological Society in continuing professional development and coordinating various joint activities and programmes for the radiological community. It

is hoped that this move will ultimately propel the development and progress of the various related specialties in Singapore. The College and its current proposed 3 Chapters – Diagnostic Radiologist, Nuclear Medicine Physicians and Therapeutic Radiologist, – aims to have an increasing role in the conduct of continuing professional development and reaccreditation, training, provision of continuing medical education and recommendations of clinical guidelines in the area of Radiology.

#### **APPRECIATION**

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

April 2004

Dr Anthony Goh  
Honorary Secretary  
2003-2004 Chapter of Radiologists

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# Chapter of Surgeons

## ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The 36<sup>th</sup> Annual General Meeting of the Chapter of Surgeons was held on Saturday, 26 July 2003 at 2.00pm at the Auditorium of the National Cancer Centre, 11 Hospital Drive, Singapore 169690.

The following office-bearers for the year 2003-2004 were elected:

Chairman	:	Dr Colin Song
Vice-Chairman	:	Dr Eu Kong Weng
Honorary Secretary	:	Dr Vincent K L Yeow
Committee Members	:	Dr Low Yin Peng Dr Li Man Kay Dr Wee Siew Bock
Co-opted Members	:	Dr Christopher Goh Dr London Lucien Ooi

## MEMBERSHIP

The total membership of the Chapter now stands at 454.

## COMMITTEE MEETINGS

A total of 4 Committee meetings held during the period from July 2003 to April 2004.

## CONTINUING MEDICAL EDUCATION ACTIVITIES

### 37<sup>th</sup> Annual Combined Surgical Meeting (37<sup>th</sup> ACSM), 13-15 November 2003

The 37<sup>th</sup> Annual Combined Surgical Meeting was held from 13-15 November 2003 at the York Hotel, Singapore. The programme included 4 Plenary Lectures and 4 Symposia sessions. Topics included were:

- Robotic & Simulation Surgery
- Rhinoplasty a Personal Journey
- The Judiciary and the Practice of Surgery: Old Issues & New Perspectives
- Evidence-based Minimally Invasive Surgery
- Simulation Virtual 3D Surgery
- Training & Education: The Future
- Surgical Practice in Singapore
- Current Trends in Ophthalmology

## 14<sup>TH</sup> CHAPTER OF SURGEONS LECTURE

Dr Balaji Sadasivan, Minister of State (Health & Transport) was awarded the 14<sup>th</sup> Chapter of Surgeons Lectureship. His lecture entitled "Back to Basics" was delivered on Thursday, 13 November 2003 at the 37<sup>th</sup> Annual Combined Surgical Meeting.

## 8<sup>TH</sup> YAHYA COHEN LECTURE

The 8<sup>th</sup> Yahya Cohen Lectureship was awarded to D Tan Bien Keem, Consultant, Department of Plastic Surgery, Singapore General Hospital. His lecture entitled "Formation of Independently Revascularised Bowel Segments Using the Rectus Abdominis Muscle Flap: A Rat Model for Jejunal Rebrication" was delivered on Saturday, 15 November 2003 at the 37<sup>th</sup> Annual Combined Surgical Meeting.

## FIRST REVIEW COURSE - PRACTICAL SURGICAL PATHOLOGY COURSE

The Specialist Training Committee (STC) for General Surgery (GS) in conjunction with the Chapter of Surgeons, Academy of Medicine, Singapore organised its First Review Course on Practical Surgical Pathology Course held on Saturday, 27 March 2004 at the Lecture Hall of the National Cancer Centre. The teaching faculty comprised Dr Tan Puay Hoon as the Course Director with fellow Course Instructors: Dr Chuah Khoo Leong, Dr Jacqueline Hwang, Dr Priyanthi Kumarsinghe, Dr Victor Lee, Dr Ng Siok Bian and Dr Yap Wai Ming.

This will be the first in the a series of 12 courses planned over a 3-year period cycle at quarterly intervals to cover the syllabus for advanced specialty training in General Surgery. The Courses organised as part of the GS AST structured training programme and is a requirement for all ASTs to attend. In addition, the Course Director of each course will focus on areas of relevance in that sub-specialty which will be beneficial also to general surgeons who may want to update or refresh in a particular area of interest, and to AST trainees from other disciplines who want an insight into the surgical aspects of a particular area.

Topics included:

- Introduction of Principles of Pathology
- Role of Intraoperative Frozen Section Consultation
- Role of Fine Needle Aspiration Cytology (FNAC)
- Role of Immunohistochemistry in Surgical Pathology
- Upper Gastrointestinal and Colorectal Pathology
- Hepato-Pancreato-Biliary Pathology
- Breast Pathology
- Endocrine Pathology
- Skin and Soft Tissue Pathology
- Evaluation

## JOINT MEETING OF THE CHAPTER OF SURGEONS WITH THE ROYAL COLLEGE OF SURGEONS OF ENGLAND

The Chapter will be organising its First Joint Meeting with the Royal College of Surgeons of England. This Meeting will be held on 27 & 28 May 2004 at the Regent Singapore. Both of the working committees have drawn up a comprehensive programme.

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Topics included:

- Training, Evidence-based Medicine
- Evolution and Future of Surgical Assessment
- State of the Art Lecture on Cyber Surgery
- Medico-legal – Case Study / Debate
- Surgical Complications in Diabetes
- Infection Updates
- Delivery of Surgical Services

#### **TRANSFORMATION OF CHAPTER INTO COLLEGE OF SURGEONS**

The Council, Academy of Medicine, Singapore has expressed a need for re-structuring because of the current organisational structure of the Academy. The Chapter of Surgeons has been directed being one of the larger Chapters in the Academy to be transformed into College. The main objectives of this restructuring were for the college to focus its role on:

- All aspects of Surgical Specialty (basic and advanced) training
- Continuing Medical Education
- Continuing Professional Development
- Re-certification for Surgeons
- Education, Credentialing & Certification of Surgeons

The process of registering the College of Surgeons, following the affirmative vote at the EOGM of the Academy held on 27 March 2004, is now pending action by the Registrar of Companies & Businesses.

What has followed is the call for nominations for the first Council of the College pending the outcome of the Registrar's decision. 16 nominations for 7 places have been received. A ballot by post is to be conducted.

Each of the registered surgical specialties with the Singapore Medical Council will have Chapter status. Each Chapter in turn will be represented on the College Council by the Chapter Chairman.

#### **APPRECIATION**

The Chapter Committee wishes to record its appreciation and thanks to all Fellows in the Chapter and the Academy Secretariat for their kind support.

April 2004

Dr Vincent K L Yeow  
Honorary Secretary  
2003-2004 Chapter of Surgeons

# **ACADEMY OF MEDICINE, SINGAPORE**

## **FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

*For the financial year ended 31 December 2003*





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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 Company for the financial year ended 31st December 2003.

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 K Satkunanantham
Master Elect	:	Dr Low Cheng Hock
Assistant Master	:	Dr Ho Lai Yun
Scribe	:	Dr Christopher Hood Keng Goh
Bursar	:	Dr A Balakrishnan
Assistant Bursar	:	Dr George Yi Wei Soh
Censor-in-Chief	:	Dr Tan Kok Chai
Censors	:	Dr Chen Fun Gee Dr Gilbert S C Chiang Dr Fock Kwong Ming Dr Yeo Jin Fei Dr George S H Yeo
Editor, <i>Annals</i>	:	Dr Felix Sundram
Chapter Chairmen/ Chairpersons	:	Dr Lai Fook Onn (Chairman, Chapter of Anaesthesiologists) Dr Varawan Sae-Lim (Chairperson, Chapter of Dental Surgeons) Dr Chang Tou Choong (Chairman, Chapter of Obstetricians & Gynaecologists) Dr Quak Seng Hock (Chairman, Chapter of Paediatricians) Dr Lim-Tan Soo Kim (Chairperson, Chapter of Pathologists) Dr Lim Shih Hui (Chairman, Chapter of Physicians) Dr Ong Thiew Chai (Chairman, Chapter of Psychiatrists) Dr Lee Hock Siang (Chairman, Chapter of Public Health & Occupational Physicians) Dr Tan Bien Soo (Chairman, Chapter of Radiologists) Dr Colin Song (Chairman, Chapter of Surgeons)

## Council Members' contractual benefits

Since the end of the previous financial year, no Council Member has received or become entitled to receive benefits or entitled to receive benefit 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 expressed their willingness to accept re-appointment as auditors.

## For and on behalf of the Council Members

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Singapore: **4th May 2004**

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## Statement by Council Members

In the opinion of the Council Members, the financial statements set out on pages 67 to 78 are drawn up so as to give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the Academy at 31st December 2003, 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 2003 as set out on pages 67 to 78. 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 2003 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: *4th May 2004*

# Balance Sheet

## As at 31 December 2003

	Note	2003 S\$	2002 S\$
<b>FIXED ASSETS</b>	3	3,193,062	3,266,554
<b>CURRENT ASSETS</b>			
Cash at bank and on hand		2,576,515	2,062,355
Fixed deposits with financial institutions		6,058,557	6,017,863
Members' subscriptions	4	72,708	496,804
Other debtors & prepayments	5	251,260	215,943
Inventories	6	18,628	24,467
		8,977,668	8,817,432
<b>LESS: CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>			
Other creditors & accruals	7	115,615	63,629
Subscriptions received in advance		5,110	11,300
		120,725	74,929
<b>NET CURRENT ASSETS</b>		8,856,943	8,742,503
		12,050,005	12,009,057
		12,050,005	12,009,057
Represented by:			
Accumulated Surplus		1,388,936	274,218
Building & Endowment Fund	8	6,220,866	6,122,471
Specific Funds	9	4,389,765	5,612,368
Chapter Funds	10	50,438	--
		12,050,005	12,009,057
		12,050,005	12,009,057

The accompanying notes form an integral part of these accounts.

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## Income and Expenditure Statement

### For the financial year ended 31 December 2003

	Note	2003 S\$	2002 S\$
Revenue	11	1,319,916	1,139,832
Less: Staff costs	12	(830,883)	(758,683)
Depreciation	3 (c)	(46,864)	(65,563)
Other operating expenses	13	(480,891)	(377,986)
		-----	-----
Operating deficit		(38,722)	(62,400)
Tax	14	--	--
		-----	-----
Net deficit after tax		(38,722)	(62,400)
		=====	=====

## Statement of Changes in Members' Equity

### For the financial year ended 31 December 2003

	Accumulated Surplus S\$	Building & Endowment Fund S\$	Specific Funds S\$	Chapter Funds S\$	Total S\$
Balance at 1 January 2002	314,393	7,342,350	5,736,186	--	13,392,929
Net deficit for the year	(62,400)	--	--	--	(62,400)
Net increase/(decrease) for the year	--	30,121	(101,593)	--	(71,472)
Provision for impairment loss on freehold land and building	--	(1,250,000)	--	--	(1,250,000)
Transfer to/(from)	22,225	--	(22,225)	--	--
Balance at 31 December 2002	274,218	6,122,471	5,612,368	--	12,009,057
Prior year adjustment – Overstatement of revenue	(75,950)	--	--	--	(75,950)
Balance at 1 January 2003 as restated	198,268	6,122,471	5,612,368	--	11,933,107
Net deficit for the year	(38,722)	--	--	--	(38,722)
Net increase/(decrease) for the year	2,369	98,395	63,320	(8,464)	155,620
Transfer to/(from)	1,227,021	--	(1,285,923)	58,902	--
Balance at 31 December 2003	<u>1,388,936</u>	<u>6,220,866</u>	<u>4,389,765</u>	<u>50,438</u>	<u>12,050,005</u>

The accompanying notes form an integral part of these accounts.

# Cash Flow Statement

## For the financial year ended 31 December 2003

	Note	2003 S\$	2002 S\$
<b>Cash Flows from Operating Activities</b>			
Net deficit for the year		(38,722)	(62,400)
Net increase in Building & Endowment Fund		98,395	30,121
Net increase/(decrease) in Specific Funds		63,320	(101,593)
Chapter Funds		(8,464)	--
Net increase in Accumulated Surplus		2,36	--
Adjustments for:			
Depreciation of fixed assets		101,781	120,160
Interest income		(41,701)	(73,553)
Loss on disposal of fixed assets		1,620	--
Prior year adjustment		(75,950)	--
		-----	-----
<b>Operating cash flow before working capital changes</b>		102,648	(87,265)
Changes in operating assets and liabilities:			
Receivables		424,096	4,758
Inventories		5,839	29,137
Other debtors & prepayments		(18,464)	30,635
Creditors and accruals		51,986	(23,158)
Subscriptions received in advance		(6,190)	3,050
		-----	-----
<b>Net cash inflow/(outflow) from operating activities</b>		559,915	(42,843)
		-----	-----
<b>Cash flows from investing activities</b>			
Purchase of fixed assets		(30,359)	(98,105)
Proceeds from disposal of fixed assets		450	--
Interest income received		24,848	95,160
		-----	-----
<b>Net cash outflow from investing activities</b>		(5,061)	(2,945)
		-----	-----
<b>Net increase/(decrease) in cash held</b>		554,854	(45,788)
Cash at beginning of the year		8,080,218	8,126,006
		-----	-----
<b>Cash at end of the year</b>		8,635,072	8,080,218
		=====	=====
Cash at bank and on hand		2,576,515	2,062,355
Fixed deposits with financial institutions		6,058,557	6,017,863
		-----	-----
		8,635,072	8,080,218
		=====	=====



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# Notes to the Accounts – 31 December 2003

These notes form an integral part of and should be read in conjunction with the accompanying accounts.

## 1. PRINCIPAL ACTIVITIES

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.

## 2. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

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.

### 2.1 Basis of Financial Statements Preparation

The financial statements, expressed in Singapore dollars, are prepared in accordance with Singapore Financial Reporting Standards (“FRS”) as required by the Companies Act. In previous years, the financial statements were prepared in accordance with Singapore Statements of Accounting Standard (“SAS”). The transition from SAS to FRS did not result in any significant change in accounting policies.

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention.

### 2.2 Date of Issue

The financial statements were authorised for issue on 4th May 2004 by the Council Members.

### 2.3 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 because the Council Members consider that the economic life and residual value of freehold land are such that depreciation is not significant.

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

### 2.4 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.

### 2.5 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.

### 2.6 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.

### 2.7 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.

Provision is made where necessary for obsolete, slow-moving and defective inventories.

## 2.8 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.

## 2.9 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.

## 2.10 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		Office furniture, fittings &		Total
	Land	Building	Equipment	Computers	
	S\$	S\$	S\$	S\$	S\$
<u>Cost</u>					
At 1.1.03	3,000,000	1,303,017	337,922	171,607	4,812,546
Adjustments	--	--	8,898	(6,120)	2,778
Additions	--	--	5,842	24,517	30,359
Disposals	--	--	--	(6,210)	(6,210)
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At 31.12.03	<u>3,000,000</u>	<u>1,303,017</u>	<u>352,662</u>	<u>183,794</u>	<u>4,839,473</u>
<u>Depreciation</u>					
At 1.1.2003	--	52,120	131,646	112,226	295,992
Adjustments	--	--	1,715	1,063	2,778
Charge for the year	--	19,810	31,208	50,763	101,781
Disposals	--	--	--	(4,140)	(4,140)
	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
At 31.12.03	<u>—</u>	<u>71,930</u>	<u>164,569</u>	<u>159,912</u>	<u>396,411</u>
Provision for Impairment loss	<u>950,000</u>	<u>300,000</u>	<u>--</u>	<u>--</u>	<u>1,250,000</u>
<u>Net book value</u>					
At 31.12.03	<u>2,050,000</u>	<u>931,087</u>	<u>188,093</u>	<u>23,882</u>	<u>3,193,062</u>
At 31.12.02	<u>2,050,000</u>	<u>950,897</u>	<u>206,276</u>	<u>59,381</u>	<u>3,266,554</u>

- (b) In recognition of a decline in property values since the initial purchase of the Academy's freehold land and building, the Council Members have made a provision for impairment loss of S\$1,250,000 in 2002 based on a desk-top market valuation report by DTZ Debenham Tie Leung (SEA) Pte Ltd, an independent professional valuer.

As a result of this provision, the carrying values of freehold land and building are reduced by S\$1,250,000 and a corresponding decline of the same quantum is recognised in the Building & Endowment Fund. (Note 8)

- (c) Depreciation were charged to the following accounts:

	<b>2003</b> <b>S\$</b>	<b>2002</b> <b>S\$</b>
<u>Income and expenditure statement</u>		
- Depreciation of office furniture, fittings and equipment	7,778	9,572
- Depreciation of computers	39,086	55,991
	46,864	65,563
<u>Building Fund</u>		
- Depreciation of building	19,810	26,060
- Depreciation of office furniture, fittings and equipment	22,195	18,281
	42,005	44,341
<u>Specific Funds</u>		
- Depreciation of office furniture, fittings and equipment	1,235	824
- Depreciation of computers	11,677	9,432
	12,912	10,256
	101,781	120,160

#### 4. MEMBERS' SUBSCRIPTIONS

	<b>2003</b> <b>S\$</b>	<b>2002</b> <b>S\$</b>
Members' subscriptions	263,658	655,171
Less: Provision for doubtful debts	(190,950)	(158,367)
	72,708	496,804
Movements in above provision:-		
Balance at beginning of the year	158,367	85,153
Provision made during the year	32,583	73,214
Balance at end of the year	190,950	158,367

#### 5. OTHER DEBTORS & PREPAYMENTS

	<b>2003</b> <b>S\$</b>	<b>2002</b> <b>S\$</b>
Other debtors	233,260	311,973
Less: Provision for doubtful debts	--	(161,288)
	233,260	150,685
Secretarial fees	--	62,395
Prepayments	18,000	2,863
	251,260	215,943
Movements in above provision:-		
Balance at beginning of the year	161,288	73
Provision made during the year	--	161,215
Provision written back	(161,288)	--
Balance at end of the year	--	161,288

**6. INVENTORIES**

	<b>2003</b> <b>S\$</b>	<b>2002</b> <b>S\$</b>
Finished goods	45,025	51,874
Less: Provision for obsolescence	(26,397)	(27,407)
	-----	-----
	18,628	24,467
	=====	=====
Comprising items which are stated:		
At cost	16,325	20,949
At net realisable value	2,303	3,518
	-----	-----
	18,628	24,467
	=====	=====
Movements in above provision:-		
Balance at beginning of the year	27,407	—
Provision made during the year	—	27,407
Provision written back	(1,010)	—
	-----	-----
	26,397	27,407
	=====	=====

**7. OTHER CREDITORS & ACCRUALS**

	<b>2003</b> <b>S\$</b>	<b>2002</b> <b>S\$</b>
Other creditors	49,330	28,720
Accruals	66,285	34,909
	-----	-----
	115,615	63,629
	=====	=====

**8. BUILDING & ENDOWMENT FUND**

	<b>2003</b> <b>S\$</b>	<b>2002</b> <b>S\$</b>
Donations	147,600	60,000
Interest income from deposits with banks	12,015	14,563
Other income	469	--
	-----	-----
	160,084	74,563
Less: Depreciation of fixed assets	(42,005)	(44,341)
Other expenses	(19,684)	(101)
	-----	-----
Net increase for the year	98,395	30,121
Provision for impairment loss on freehold land and building (Note 3(b))	--	(1,250,000)
Balance at beginning of the year	6,122,471	7,342,350
	-----	-----
Balance at end of the year	6,220,866	6,122,471
	=====	=====
Represented by:		
Fixed deposits with financial institutions	2,347,728	2,334,794
Accrued interest income	1,968	2,886
Fixed assets	3,127,059	3,150,783
Amount owing by Accumulated Surplus	744,111	634,008
	-----	-----
	6,220,866	6,122,471
	=====	=====

**9. SPECIFIC FUNDS**

	<b>2003 S\$</b>	<b>2002 S\$</b>
Donations received	218,500	224,207
Registration fees	133,863	452,069
Trade exhibitions	118,263	292,782
Operating grant from a government organisation	278,500	187,500
Interest income from deposits with banks	30,509	58,990
Other income	150,053	24,350
	929,688	1,239,898
Less: Staff costs	324,484	94,000
Depreciation of fixed assets	12,912	10,256
Secretarial fees	13,320	80,780
Provision for doubtful debts – other debtors	33,465	133,100
Other expenses	482,187	1,023,355
	(866,368)	(1,341,491)
Net increase/(decrease) for the year	63,320	(101,593)
Less: Transfer to Accumulated Surplus	(1,285,923)	(22,225)
Balance at beginning of the year	5,612,368	5,736,186
Balance at end of the year	4,389,765	5,612,368
Represented by:		
Cash at bank and on hand	574,802	581,796
Fixed deposits with financial institutions	3,692,008	3,651,938
Accrued interest income	16,853	28,245
Other debtors	39,108	33,917
Fixed assets	16,965	22,560
Amount owing by Accumulated Surplus	54,430	1,294,174
Sundry creditors	(1,941)	(262)
Advanced subscriptions	(2,460)	--
	4,389,765	5,612,368

**10. CHAPTER FUNDS**

	<b>2003 S\$</b>	<b>2002 S\$</b>
Donations	7,500	--
Registration fees	835	--
Trade exhibitions	3,000	--
	11,335	--
Less: Operating expenses	(19,800)	--
Transfer to Accumulated Surplus	58,903	--
Balance at end of the year	50,438	--

**11. REVENUE**

	<b>2003 S\$</b>	<b>2002 S\$</b>
Subscriptions	766,067	767,375
Specialist training fees	127,172	157,902
Secretarial fees	52,800	65,193
Entrance fees	69,800	24,500
Operating grant from a government organisation	277,438	92,857
Miscellaneous income	26,639	32,005
	1,319,916	1,139,832

**12.. STAFF COSTS**

	<b>2003 S\$</b>	<b>2002 S\$</b>
Wages, salaries & other personnel costs	727,504	662,933
Employer's contribution to Central Provident Fund	103,379	95,750
	-----	-----
	<u>830,883</u>	<u>758,683</u>
	-----	-----
Number of employees as at 31st December :	<b>2003</b>	<b>2002</b>
Full time	<u>15</u>	<u>12</u>

**13. OPERATING DEFICIT, BUILDING & ENDOWMENT FUND AND SPECIFIC FUNDS**

<b>2003</b>	<b>Income &amp; Expenditure Account S\$</b>	<b>Building &amp; Endowment Fund S\$</b>	<b>Specific Funds S\$</b>	<b>Total S\$</b>
The following items were charged/ (credited) to the respective accounts:				
Provision for doubtful debts				
- members' subscriptions	32,583	--	--	32,583
Auditors' remuneration	2,500	--	--	2,500
Bad trade debts written off	226,882	--	33,465	260,347
Loss on disposal of fixed assets	1,620	--	--	1,620
Interest income from deposits with banks	--	(12,015)	(29,686)	(41,701)
The following items were charged/ (credited) to the respective accounts:				
Provision for doubtful debts				
- members' subscriptions	73,214	--	--	73,214
- other debtors	28,115	--	133,100	161,215
	101,329	--	133,100	234,429
Auditors' remuneration	8,000	--	--	8,000
Bad trade debts written off	2,600	--	--	2,600
Inventories written off	17,625	--	--	17,625
Provision for inventories obsolescence	27,407	--	--	27,407
Interest income from deposits with banks	--	(14,563)	(58,990)	(73,553)

**14. 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.

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(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.

## **17. COMPARATIVES**

Certain comparative figures have been reclassified to conform with the current financial year's presentation.

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**Specific Funds**

	Gordan Arthur Ransome Oration	Sir David Galloway Memorial	DWC Gawne	O & G Research	Runme Shaw Lecture	Paediatric Lectureship
Balance as at 1 January 2003	\$ 13,955	\$ 3,647	\$ 2,664	\$ 43,566	\$ 128,822	\$ 15,312
<b>Income:</b>						
Advertisement						
Donations (Tax Exempted)						
Other Donations						
Interest received	90	25	5	148	834	
Interest Accrued	146	20		235	524	
Operating Grants						
Registration Fees						
Sponsorship						
Subscriptions						
Trade Exhibition						
Reprinting Income						
Other Income						
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>236</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>383</b>	<b>1,358</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Expenses:</b>						
Airfares					8,200	
Accommodation					1,230	
Awards/ Grants						
Bank Charges					40	
Cleaning Expenses						
Depreciation						
Donations						
Entertainment						
Equipment Hire Expenses						
Honorarium					5,000	
IT Expenses						
Maintenance exp						
Manpower						
Postage						
Printing & Stationery Supplies						
Professional services						
Profit Sharing						
Bad debts written-off						
Refreshment/ Lunch/ Dinner						
Secretarial Services						
Souvenirs/ Lucky Draw Prizes						
Telecommunication Charges						
Trade Exhibition Expenses						
Transport/ Courier Services						
Venue & Meeting Packages						
Workshop Expenses						
Other Expenses						
<b>Surplus/ (Deficits)</b>	<b>236</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>383</b>	<b>(13,112)</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Balance carried forward</b>	<b>14,191</b>	<b>3,692</b>	<b>2,669</b>	<b>43,949</b>	<b>115,710</b>	<b>15,312</b>
Transfer to Accumulated Surplus/Chapters' Fund						
<b>Balance as at 31 December 2003</b>	<b>14,191</b>	<b>3,692</b>	<b>2,669</b>	<b>43,949</b>	<b>115,710</b>	<b>15,312</b>
<b>Represented by:</b>						
Amount owing by/(to) Accumulated Surplus	(2,398)	(918)	192	(3,000)	(64,755)	15,312
Fixed deposits with financial institutions	16,443	4,590	2,477	46,714	179,941	-
Interest Accrued	<b>146</b>	<b>20</b>	-	<b>235</b>	<b>524</b>	-
Cash & bank balances	-	-	-	-	-	-
Fixed assets	-	-	-	-	-	-
Sundry debtors	-	-	-	-	-	-
Sundry creditors	-	-	-	-	-	-
Advance Subscriptions	<b>14,191</b>	<b>3,692</b>	<b>2,669</b>	<b>43,949</b>	<b>115,710</b>	<b>15,312</b>



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**Specific Funds**

	Chapter of Surgeons Travelling Fellowship	Shaw Foundation	Lee Foundation	Common Fund for Advancement of Medicine	Seah Cheng Siang Memorial	Yahya Cohen Lecture Fund
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Balance as at 1 January 2003	247,608	164,685	179,615	351,805	51,391,887	118,444
<b>Income:</b>						
Advertisement						
Donations (Tax Exempted)	500	50,000	25,000			
Other Donations						
Interest received	1,088	653	196	1,866	4,268	855
Interest Accrued	436	594	322	1,988	7,179	1,805
Operating Grants						
Registration Fees						
Sponsorship						
Subscriptions						
Trade Exhibition						
Reprinting income						
Other Income						
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>2,024</b>	<b>51,247</b>	<b>25,518</b>	<b>3,854</b>	<b>11,447</b>	<b>2,660</b>
<b>Expenses:</b>						
Airfares						
Accommodation						
Awards/ Grants	8,944		3,000	12,642		724
Bank Charges						
Cleaning Expenses						
Depreciation						
Donations						
Entertainment						
Equipment Hire Expenses						
Honorarium					2,000	
IT Expenses						
Maintenance exp						
Manpower						
Postage						
Printing & Stationery Supplies					600	
Professional services						
Profit Sharing						
Bad debts written-off						
Refreshment/ Lunch/ Dinner						
Secretarial Services						
Souvenirs/ Lucky Draw Prizes					278	
Telecommunication Charges						
Trade Exhibition Expenses						
Transport/ Courier Services						
Venue & Meeting Packages						
Workshop Expenses						
Other Expenses					5	
<b>Surplus/ (Deficits)</b>	<b>8,944</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>3,000</b>	<b>12,642</b>	<b>2,883</b>	<b>724</b>
<b>Balance carried forward</b>	<b>(6,920)</b>	<b>51,247</b>	<b>22,518</b>	<b>(8,788)</b>	<b>8,564</b>	<b>1,936</b>
Transfer to Accumulated Surplus/Chapters' Fund	240,688	215,932	202,133	343,017	1,400,451	120,380
<b>Balance as at 31 December 2003</b>	<b>240,688</b>	<b>215,932</b>	<b>202,133</b>	<b>343,017</b>	<b>1,400,451</b>	<b>120,380</b>
<b>Represented by:</b>						
Amount owing by/(to) Accumulated Surplus	61,637	72,224	107,164	(199,527)	(39,407)	(4,798)
Fixed deposits with financial institutions	178,615	143,114	94,647	540,556	1,421,640	123,373
Interest Accrued	436	594	322	1,988	7,179	1,805
Cash & bank balances	-	-	-	-	11,039	-
Fixed assets	-	-	-	-	-	-
Sundry debtors	-	-	-	-	-	-
Sundry creditors	-	-	-	-	-	-
Advance Subscriptions	240,688	215,932	202,133	343,017	1,400,451	120,380

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<b>Specific Funds</b>	<b>Head &amp; Neck Cancer Surgery</b>	<b>Postgraduate Medical Library Training</b>	<b>Dental Advanced Specialists</b>	<b>MATRU Course Learning Programme</b>	<b>Distance</b>	<b>Annals</b>
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Balance as at 1 January 2003	26,239	769,906	10,983	(9,820)	-	692,789
<b>Income:</b>						
Advertisement						16,400
Donations (Tax Exempted)					30,000	43,000
Other Donations						
Interest received	259					2,051
Interest Accrued	117					3,487
Operating Grants						
Registration Fees						
Sponsorship						
Subscriptions						3,900
Trade Exhibition						
Reprinting income						2,595
Other Income						20,506
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>376</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>30,000</b>	<b>91,939</b>
<b>Expenses:</b>						
Airfares						1,871
Accommodation						
Awards/ Grants						
Bank Charges				20		478
Cleaning Expenses						
Depreciation						5,231
Donations						
Entertainment						
Equipment Hire Expenses						
Honorarium						
IT Expenses						3,470
Maintenance exp						572
Manpower						43
Postage						15,108
Printing & Stationery Supplies						62,771
Professional services						4,117
Profit Sharing						
Bad debts written-off						
Refreshment/ Lunch/ Dinner						54
Secretarial Services						
Souvenirs/ Lucky Draw Prizes						500
Telecommunication Charges						
Trade Exhibition Expenses						
Transport/ Courier Services						835
Venue & Meeting Packages						
Workshop Expenses				2,129		
Other Expenses						3,534
				<b>2,149</b>		<b>98,584</b>
<b>Surplus/ (Deficits)</b>	<b>376</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>(2,149)</b>	<b>30,000</b>	<b>(6,645)</b>
<b>Balance carried forward</b>	<b>26,615</b>	<b>769,906</b>	<b>10,983</b>	<b>(11,969)</b>	<b>30,000</b>	<b>686,144</b>
Transfer to Accumulated Surplus/Chapters' Fund		769,906		(11,969)		
<b>Balance as at 31 December 2003</b>	<b>26,615</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>10,983</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>30,000</b>	<b>686,144</b>
<b>Represented by:</b>						
Amount owing by/(to) Accumulated Surplus	(20)		10,983		30,000	(2,684)
Fixed deposits with financial institutions	26,518					615,758
Interest Accrued	<b>117</b>					<b>3,487</b>
Cash & bank balances						42,166
Fixed assets						4,670
Sundry debtors						27,148
Sundry creditors						(1,941)
Advance Subscriptions						(2,460)
	26,615		10,983		30,000	686,144

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<b>Specific Funds</b>	<b>Joint Committee on Specialist Training</b>	<b>10th GSM Chapter of Anaesthesiologists</b>	<b>11th GSM Chapter of Anaesthesiologists</b>	<b>12th GSM Chapter of Anaesthesiologists (Aug 2002)</b>	<b>13th GSM Chapter of Anaesthesiologists (Aug 2003)</b>	<b>12th SM Chapter of Dental Surgeons (2001)</b>
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Balance as at 1 January 2003	219,096	9,491	13,254	20,226	-	20,496
<b>Income:</b>						
Advertisements						
Donations (Tax Exempted)						
Other Donations						
Interest received						
Interest Accrued						
Operating Grants	278,500					
Registration Fees	24,360			2,595	31,200	
Sponsorship				20,250		
Subscriptions						
Trade Exhibition						
Reprinting income						
Other Income	740					
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>303,600</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>2,595</b>	<b>108,700</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Expenses:</b>						
Airfares	10,200				15,196	
Accommodation	500				1,861	
Awards/ Grants						800
Bank Charges	30					
Cleaning Expenses	3,000					
Depreciation	7,681					
Donations						
Entertainment						
Equipment Hire Expenses						
Honorarium	1,900				6,550	
IT Expenses	3,236					
Maintenance exp						
Manpower	323,472				701	
Postage						
Printing & Stationery Supplies	6,933				7,448	
Professional services						
Profit Sharing						
Bad debts written-off						
Refreshment/ Lunch/ Dinner	638					
Secretarial Services						
Souvenirs/ Lucky Draw Prizes						
Telecommunication Charges						
Trade Exhibition Expenses						
Transport/ Courier Services	799					
Venue & Meeting Packages						
Workshop Expenses						
Other Expenses	8,958					
	<b>367,337</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>2,688</b>	<b>14,995</b>	<b>98,190</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Surplus/ (Deficits)</b>	<b>(63,737)</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>(2,688)</b>	<b>(12,400)</b>	<b>10,510</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Balance carried forward</b>	<b>155,359</b>	<b>9,491</b>	<b>10,566</b>	<b>7,826</b>	<b>10,510</b>	<b>20,496</b>
Transfer to Accumulated Surplus/Chapters' Fund		9,491	10,566	7,826		20,496
<b>Balance as at 31 December 2003</b>	<b>155,359</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>10,510</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Represented by:</b>						
Amount owing by/(to) Accumulated Surplus	(10,333)					
Fixed deposits with financial institutions						
Interest Accrued						
Cash & bank balances	153,397					
Fixed assets	12,295					
Sundry debtors						
Sundry creditors						
Advance Subscriptions						
	<b>155,359</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>10,510</b>	<b>-</b>

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	6th Postgraduate Refresher Course in O&G \$	7th Postgraduate Refresher Course in O&G (Jan 2002) \$	8th Postgraduate Refresher Course in O & G (Aug 2004) \$	12th ASM Chapter of Pathologists (2001) \$	13th ASM Chapter of Pathologists (July 2002) \$	14th ASM, Chapter of Pathologists (Sept 2003) \$
Balance as at 1 January 2003	30,105	48,634	-	28,664	9,464	-
<b>Income:</b>						
Advertisement						
Donations (Tax Exempted)						10,000
Other Donations						
Interest received						
Interest Accrued						
Operating Grants						
Registration Fees						
Sponsorship						4,000
Subscriptions						
Trade Exhibition						
Reprinting income						
Other Income						
<b>Total Income</b>	-	-	-	-	-	<b>14,000</b>
<b>Expenses:</b>						
Airfares						
Accommodation						
Awards/ Grants						
Bank Charges						
Cleaning Expenses						
Depreciation						
Donations						
Entertainment						
Equipment Hire Expenses						
Honorarium						
IT Expenses						
Maintenance exp						
Manpower						
Postage						
Printing & Stationery Supplies						126
Professional services						
Profit Sharing		21,878				
Bad debts written-off	15,052					
Refreshment/ Lunch/ Dinner						2,518
Secretarial Services						
Souvenirs/ Lucky Draw Prizes						328
Telecommunication Charges						
Trade Exhibition Expenses						
Transport/ Courier Services			7			25
Venue & Meeting Packages						
Workshop Expenses						813
Other Expenses						<b>3,810</b>
<b>Surplus/ (Deficits)</b>	<b>15,052</b>	<b>21,878</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>10,190</b>
<b>Balance carried forward</b>	<b>15,053</b>	<b>26,756</b>	<b>(7)</b>	<b>28,664</b>	<b>9,464</b>	<b>10,190</b>
Transfer to Accumulated Surplus/Chapters' Fund	15,053	26,756	-	28,664	9,464	10,190
<b>Balance as at 31 December 2003</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>(7)</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Represented by:</b>						
Amount owing by/(to) Accumulated Surplus			(7)			
Fixed deposits with financial institutions						
Interest Accrued						
Cash & bank balances						
Fixed assets						
Sundry debtors						
Sundry creditors						
Advance Subscriptions						
			(7)			

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<b>Specific Funds</b>	19th ASM Chapter of Physicians (2000)	20th ASM Chapter of Physicians (2001)	21st ASM Chapter of Physicians (Aug 2002)	22nd ASM Chapter of Physicians (Aug 2003)	7th SM Chapter of Public Health & Occ. Med (2001)	8th SM Chapter of Public Health & Occ. Med (Nov 2002)
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Balance as at 1 January 2003	12,271	9,809	8,783	-	4,776	4,416
<b>Income:</b>						
Advertisement						
Donations (Tax Exempted)				10,000		
Other Donations						
Interest received						
Interest Accrued						
Operating Grants						760
Registration Fees						
Sponsorship						
Subscriptions						
Trade Exhibition						
Reprinting income						
Other Income						
<b>Total Income</b>	-	-	-	10,000	-	760
<b>Expenses:</b>						
Airfares						
Accommodation						
Awards/ Grants						
Bank Charges						
Cleaning Expenses						
Depreciation						
Donations						
Entertainment						
Equipment Hire Expenses						
Honorarium			26			
IT Expenses						
Maintenance exp						
Manpower						
Postage						
Printing & Stationery Supplies						
Professional services						
Profit Sharing						
Bad debts written-off						
Refreshment/ Lunch/ Dinner						
Secretarial Services						241
Souvenirs/ Lucky Draw Prizes						
Telecommunication Charges						
Trade Exhibition Expenses						
Transport/ Courier Services						35
Venue & Meeting Packages						350
Workshop Expenses						
Other Expenses						
						665
<b>Surplus/ (Deficits)</b>	-	-	-	652	-	665
<b>Balance carried forward</b>	12,271	9,809	8,783	9,348	4,776	4,511
Transfer to Accumulated Surplus/Chapters' Fund	12,271	9,809	8,783	9,348	4,776	4,511
<b>Balance as at 31 December 2003</b>	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Represented by:</b>						
Amount owing by/(to) Accumulated Surplus						
Fixed deposits with financial institutions						
Interest Accrued						
Cash & bank balances						
Fixed assets						
Sundry debtors						
Sundry creditors						
Advance Subscriptions						

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**Specific Funds**

	9th SM Chapter of Public Health & Occ. Med (Apr 04) \$	36th Annual Combined Surgical Meeting (Aug 2002) \$	37th Annual Combined Surgical Meeting (Nov 03) \$	32nd S'pore Malaysia Medical Congress (Aug 1998) \$	34th S'pore Malaysia Medical Congress (Aug 2000) \$	36th S'pore Malaysia Medical Congress (Aug 2002) \$
Balance as at 1 January 2003	-	48,716	-	26,737	(9,532)	39,913
<b>Income:</b>						
Advertisement						
Donations (Tax Exempted)	10,000					
Other Donations						
Interest received						
Interest Accrued						
Operating Grants		3,980				
Registration Fees		3,000				5,000
Sponsorship						
Subscriptions						
Trade Exhibition						
Reprinting income						
Other Income						16,512
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>10,000</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>6,980</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>21,512</b>
<b>Expenses:</b>						
Airfares						
Accommodation						
Awards/ Grants						
Bank Charges						
Cleaning Expenses						
Depreciation						
Donations			1,000			
Entertainment						
Equipment Hire Expenses						
Honorarium						
IT Expenses						
Maintenance exp						
Manpower						
Postage			10			
Printing & Stationery Supplies			4,455			
Professional services						
Profit Sharing						4,213
Bad debts written-off					27,390	5,325
Refreshment/ Lunch/ Dinner			30			
Secretarial Services						
Souvenirs/ Lucky Draw Prizes						
Telecommunication Charges						
Trade Exhibition Expenses			413			
Transport/ Courier Services			8,907			
Venue & Meeting Packages			520			5,169
Workshop Expenses			285			
Other Expenses			<b>15,620</b>		<b>27,390</b>	<b>14,707</b>
<b>Surplus/ (Deficits)</b>	<b>10,000</b>	<b>(8,640)</b>	<b>(8,640)</b>	<b>26,737</b>	<b>(36,922)</b>	<b>6,805</b>
<b>Balance carried forward</b>	<b>10,000</b>	<b>48,716</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>26,737</b>	<b>(36,922)</b>	<b>46,718</b>
Transfer to Accumulated Surplus/Chapters' Fund		48,716		26,737	(36,922)	46,718
<b>Balance as at 31 December 2003</b>	<b>10,000</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>(8,640)</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Represented by:</b>						
Amount owing by/(to) Accumulated Surplus			(8,640)			
Fixed deposits with financial institutions						
Interest Accrued						
Cash & bank balances						
Fixed assets						
Sundry debtors						
Sundry creditors						
Advance Subscriptions						
	<b>10,000</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>(8,640)</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>

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<b>Specific Funds</b>	38th Singapore Malaysia Congress of Medicine (Aug 2004)	11th IAOP (Aug 2002)	APSAI 2000	8th ICCPRCA (1997)	RCPA Meeting (1997)	1st SIOP-Asia Congress 2000
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Balance as at 1 January 2003	-	51,638	244,307	199,607	29,208	136,180
<b>Income:</b>						
Advertisement						
Donations (Tax Exempted)						
Other Donations						
Interest received				828		
Interest Accrued						
Operating Grants						
Registration Fees		1,500				
Sponsorship						
Subscriptions						
Trade Exhibition						
Reprinting income						
Other Income						
<b>Total Income</b>	-	<b>1,500</b>	-	<b>828</b>	-	-
<b>Expenses:</b>						
Airfares						
Accommodation						
Awards/ Grants						
Bank Charges				18		
Cleaning Expenses						
Depreciation						
Donations						
Entertainment						
Equipment Hire Expenses						
Honorarium						
IT Expenses						
Maintenance exp						
Manpower						
Postage						
Printing & Stationery Supplies	900		48,910			
Professional services						
Profit Sharing						
Bad debts written-off						
Refreshment/ Lunch/ Dinner	30					
Secretarial Services						
Souvenirs/ Lucky Draw Prizes						
Telecommunication Charges						
Trade Exhibition Expenses						
Transport/ Courier Services	24					
Venue & Meeting Packages						
Workshop Expenses						
Other Expenses						
	<b>954</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>48,910</b>	<b>18</b>	-	-
<b>Surplus/ (Deficits)</b>	<b>(954)</b>	<b>1,468</b>	<b>(48,910)</b>	<b>810</b>	-	-
<b>Balance carried forward</b>	<b>(954)</b>	<b>53,106</b>	<b>195,397</b>	<b>200,417</b>	<b>29,208</b>	<b>136,180</b>
Transfer to Accumulated Surplus/Chapters' Fund						136,180
<b>Balance as at 31 December 2003</b>	<b>(954)</b>	<b>53,106</b>	<b>195,397</b>	<b>200,417</b>	<b>29,208</b>	-
<b>Represented by:</b>						
Amount owing by/(to) Accumulated Surplus	(954)	53,106	53,827	-	-	-
Fixed deposits with financial institutions	-	-	-	196,000	-	-
Interest Accrued	-	-	-	-	-	-
Cash & bank balances	-	-	141,570	4,417	29,208	-
Fixed assets	-	-	-	-	-	-
Sundry debtors	-	-	-	-	-	-
Sundry creditors	-	-	-	-	-	-
Advance Subscriptions	(954)	53,106	195,397	200,417	29,208	-

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**Specific Funds**

	Asian Surgical Association Congress (Nov 2001)	11th Asian Congress of Plastic Surgery (Feb 2002)	18th AAPS (Oct 2002)	JMHL (June 2003)	Diagnostic Cytopathology Workshop (June 2004)	Casemix 2004
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Balance as at 1 January 2003	131,516	141,072	(18,586)	-	-	-
<b>Income:</b>						
Advertisement		1,000				
Donations (Tax Exempted)				20,000		
Other Donations		490				
Interest received						
Interest Accrued						
Operating Grants			1,215	14,063		
Registration Fees				900		
Sponsorship						
Subscriptions			3,000			
Trade Exhibition						
Reprinting Income						
Other Income	1,080					
<b>Total Income</b>	-	<b>1,570</b>	<b>5,215</b>	<b>14,963</b>	<b>20,000</b>	-
<b>Expenses:</b>						
Airfares			9,741	4,000		
Accommodation				580		
Awards/ Grants						
Bank Charges			20	40		
Cleaning Expenses						
Depreciation						
Donations				360		
Entertainment						
Equipment Hire Expenses						
Honorarium						
IT Expenses						
Maintenance exp						
Manpower			268			
Postage				286		
Printing & Stationery Supplies			60	938		
Professional services						
Profit Sharing			750	1,610		
Bad debts written-off	14,572					
Refreshment/ Lunch/ Dinner			611	280		32
Secretarial Services				1,240		
Souvenirs/ Lucky Draw Prizes			123			
Telecommunication Charges						
Trade Exhibition Expenses			6,453			
Transport/ Courier Services			306	110		12
Venue & Meeting Packages				3,910		
Workshop Expenses			515			
Other Expenses		2,295				
	<b>14,572</b>	<b>3,913</b>	<b>18,847</b>	<b>13,354</b>	-	<b>44</b>
<b>Surplus/ (Deficits)</b>	<b>(14,572)</b>	<b>(2,343)</b>	<b>(13,632)</b>	<b>1,609</b>	<b>20,000</b>	<b>(44)</b>
<b>Balance carried forward</b>	<b>116,944</b>	<b>138,729</b>	<b>(32,218)</b>	<b>1,609</b>	<b>20,000</b>	<b>(44)</b>
Transfer to Accumulated Surplus/Chapters' Fund	116,944			1,609		
<b>Balance as at 31 December 2003</b>	-	<b>138,729</b>	<b>(32,218)</b>	-	<b>20,000</b>	<b>(44)</b>
<b>Represented by:</b>						
Amount owing by/(to) Accumulated Surplus		(30,465)	(32,218)		20,000	(44)
Fixed deposits with financial institutions		101,622				
Interest Accrued						
Cash & bank balances		67,572				
Fixed assets						
Sundry debtors						
Sundry creditors						
Advance Subscriptions						
	-	<b>138,729</b>	<b>(32,218)</b>	-	<b>20,000</b>	<b>(44)</b>



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<b>Specific Funds</b>	<b>13th SRS ASM (Feb 2004) \$</b>	<b>ISUOG 2004 (Mar 2004) \$</b>	<b>FRCS Ortho Exam \$</b>	<b>Total (Specific Funds) \$</b>
Balance as at 1 January 2003	-	-	-	5,612,368
<b>Income:</b>				
Advertisement	2,000			19,400
Donations (Tax Exempted)	10,000			208,500
Other Donations		10,000		10,000
Interest received				13,656
Interest Accrued				16,853
Operating Grants				278,500
Registration Fees	1,140	17,050	36,000	133,863
Sponsorship	14,000			47,150
Subscriptions				3,900
Trade Exhibition	7,500	50,513		118,263
Reprinting income				2,595
Other Income	23,000	15,170		77,008
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>57,640</b>	<b>92,733</b>	<b>36,000</b>	<b>929,688</b>
<b>Expenses:</b>				
Airfares			14,144	63,352
Accommodation		250	1,635	6,056
Awards/ Grants				26,110
Bank Charges		31		677
Cleaning Expenses				3,000
Depreciation				12,912
Donations				850
Entertainment				1,360
Equipment Hire Expenses				6,576
Honorarium				8,900
IT Expenses		6,116		12,812
Maintenance exp				572
Manpower				324,484
Postage				15,404
Printing & Stationery Supplies	948	3,965	59	138,113
Professional services				4,117
Profit Sharing				74,158
Bad debts written-off				33,465
Refreshment/ Lunch/ Dinner	96		3,456	13,302
Secretarial Services				13,320
Souvenirs/ Lucky Draw Prizes			489	5,847
Telecommunication Charges				-
Trade Exhibition Expenses				12,316
Transport/ Courier Services	95	140	878	4,465
Venue & Meeting Packages		5,000		52,573
Workshop Expenses				13,342
Other Expenses			2,035	18,285
<b>Surplus/ (Deficits)</b>	<b>1,439</b>	<b>15,302</b>	<b>22,696</b>	<b>866,368</b>
<b>Balance carried forward</b>	<b>56,501</b>	<b>77,231</b>	<b>13,304</b>	<b>63,320</b>
<b>Balance as at 31 December 2003</b>	<b>56,501</b>	<b>77,231</b>	<b>13,304</b>	<b>5,675,688</b>
Transfer to Accumulated Surplus/Chapters' Fund				1,285,923
<b>Balance as at 31 December 2003</b>	<b>56,501</b>	<b>77,231</b>	<b>13,304</b>	<b>4,389,765</b>
<b>Represented by:</b>				
Amount owing by/(to) Accumulated Surplus	(430)	8,729	13,304	54,450
Fixed deposits with financial institutions				3,692,008
Interest Accrued				-
Cash & bank balances	56,931	68,502		16,853
Fixed assets				16,965
Sundry debtors				39,108
Sundry creditors				(1,941)
Advance Subscriptions				(2,460)
	<b>56,501</b>	<b>77,231</b>	<b>13,304</b>	<b>4,389,765</b>

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*“Per pale and per chevron Gules and Azure a Chevron cotised between  
three Leopards’ faces Or And for the Crest On a Wreath,  
Or Gules and Azure Two Eagles’ heads addorsed Azure beaked  
Or and gorged with a chaplet of Roses – Gules barbed and seeded in  
each beak a Poppy slipped and leaved proper”.*

*In the centre of the Shield, the Chevron symbolises the coming-together  
of the Specialities of Medicine under one roof – the Academy.  
The three Pardes represent the territories in the Singapore-Malaysia region.  
The two Eagles’ heads of the Crest remind us of the privilege  
we had of using the family Arms of our first Master,  
Gordon Ransome, in the early years of our existence.  
The Poppies denote our common desire to relieve pain.  
The Motto RECTA SAPERE urges us to seek  
and savour the truth at all times.*