



# AMS News

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## Message from the Immediate Past Master

My dear Fellow Academician,

The following is an update of activities of the Academy:

### **40<sup>th</sup> Malaysia-Singapore Congress of Medicine**

The Academy of Medicine of Malaysia will be hosting this year's Congress. It will be held at Sunway Pyramid Convention Centre, Petaling Jaya, Malaysia from 24 to 27 August 2006. The theme will be "Coming to Terms with Acute Care Medicine". I hope as many of us as possible can join our colleagues in Malaysia on this occasion.

### **Distance Learning Programme (DLP)**

The DLP has been officially launched on 1 November 2005. Fellows who wish to access the DLP may do so through the Member Login secured area via the Academy's website at <http://www.ams.edu.sg> using their MCR/DCR number and password. Two CME points will be awarded for passing each medical module and one CDE point for each dental module.

### **Induction**

The Academy held its Induction Ceremony on 28 April 2006 at the Pan Pacific Hotel. We were honoured that Dr Tony Tan graced the occasion as Guest of Honour. He was conferred the Honorary Fellowship of the Academy. Ninety-four new candidates were also inducted as fellows of the Academy.

### **28<sup>th</sup> Annual General Meeting**

The Academy's AGM was held on Thursday, 29 June 2006 at 6pm at the K.W. Chow Conference Room, Blk 2, Level 1, Department of Diagnostic Radiology, Singapore General Hospital. See page 3 for the list of office bearers elected to the 2006-2007 Council.

The 28<sup>th</sup> AGM also marked the end of my term of office as Master. I would like to take this opportunity to thank each and every one of you for your kind understanding, support and most of all your enthusiasm and interest in the welfare and progress of the Academy.

The last 2 years has been an enriching experience for me. The Academy faced many changes and challenges. The

formation of Colleges also raised administrative lessons for us. It is good that many more fellows are now keen and interested to participate in the progress of our Academy.

The future has many opportunities for us. Hopefully we'll put the Colleges and Chapters on a strong foothold and they'll play a more important role in the postgraduate training of doctors, CME programmes, training protocols, professional and ethical practice guidelines, distance learning, and systematic exit examination and interviews are some of the areas we are focussing intensively.

There is a wealth of experience and expertise among our academicians both in the public and private sectors. We must join forces and work together to bring the Academy to greater heights and play a more significant role in the teaching and training of our specialists as well as maintenance of high standard of the healthcare system of our country.

The new team under the leadership of A/Prof Ho Lai Yun have the experience, commitment and enthusiasm. Please give them your strongest support.

I would also like to take this opportunity to thank members of the past Council for their hard work, dedication, patience, understanding and cooperation these past 2 years.

Dr KP Tan has taken over as the Executive Director, and we are very grateful to him for coming forward at this opportune time when we need administrative leadership.

I am also very grateful to the entire administrative staff and secretariat for their very dedicated service. They were called upon to perform extra duties on many occasions, and they have willingly shoulder extra workload whenever necessary. They were patient, understanding and responsible. To them we say "thank you".

Finally, my dear academician, we look forward to your support and contributions in the years ahead as the Academy takes on more and more important roles in the education of our specialists and the services of our patients.

*Low Cheng Hock*

**Recta Sapere - To Seek and Savour The  
Truth At All Times**

# Induction Ceremony and Dinner

28 April 2006





The Academy of Medicine, Singapore Induction Comitia and Dinner 2006 held at the Pan Pacific Hotel was attended by more than 250 guests and fellows. The Guest of Honour was Dr Tony Tan [pictured on page 2 (left) being conferred the Honorary Fellowship of the Academy by the Master, Prof Low Cheng Hock].

The Guest of Honour, distinguished guests, past masters and the 94 inductees were warmly welcomed by the Master.

Dr Tony Tan delivered a speech at the ceremony. He spoke on the progress of the Biomedical Sciences Initiative and announced the establishment of the Biomedical Sciences Review Committee with Prof Tan Chorh Chuan who is presently Provost and Deputy President of the National University of Singapore as the Chair.

Dr Dan Yock Young led the inductees to take the Pledge.

Dinner was held immediately after the Induction Comitia.

## AGM News

### 29 June 2006

#### Office Bearers for the 2006 – 2007 Council

We are pleased to inform you that following the 28th Annual General Meeting of the Academy of Medicine, Singapore held on 29 June 2006, the following office bearers were elected to the 2006 – 2007 Council:

Master	:	Dr Ho Lai Yun
Assistant Master	:	Dr Fock Kwong Ming
Scribe	:	Dr Lim Shih Hui
Bursar	:	Dr Chan Heng Thye
Assistant Bursar	:	Dr Anthony Heng
Censor-in-Chief	:	Dr Gilbert Chiang
Censors	:	Dr Chan Yew Weng *
		Dr Chen Fun Gee
		Dr Roland Chong *
		Dr Lee Kok Onn *
		Dr Edward Pang
		Dr George Yeo Seow Heong
Editor, <i>Annals</i> , AMS	:	Dr Vernon Oh (ex-officio)
Executive Director	:	Dr Tan Kim Ping

*\* These Council members were co-opted for a one-year term at the 1st Council meeting held on 10 July 2006.*

Chairman, Chapter of Dental Surgeons	:	Dr Chan Siew Luen
Chairman, Chapter of Pathologists	:	Dr Tan Ai Ling
Chairman, Chapter of Psychiatrists	:	Dr Yap Hwa Ling
Chairman, Chairman of Public Health & Occupational Physicians	:	Dr Lee Lay Tin
President, College of Anaesthesiologists	:	Dr Edward Pang
President, College of Obstetricians & Gynaecologists	:	Dr Ho Tew Hong
President, College of Paediatrics & Child Health	:	Dr Quak Seng Hock
President, College of Physicians	:	Dr Lim Shih Hui
President, College of Radiologists	:	Dr Tan Kim Ping
President, College of Surgeons	:	Dr Anthony Heng

# Calendar of Events

## July 2006

**Thur 13<sup>th</sup> to Fri 14<sup>th</sup>**

### **Second Singapore Public Health & Occupational Medicine Conference**

**Organiser:** *Chapter of Public Health and Occupational Physicians*

**Venue:** Grand Copthorne Waterfront Hotel, Singapore

For more information, please visit <http://www.ams.edu.sg/Chapters/PDF/2ndPHOMSecondAnnouncement.pdf>

For further enquiries, please email: [phom2006@ams.edu.sg](mailto:phom2006@ams.edu.sg)

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**Sat 22<sup>nd</sup> to Sun 23<sup>rd</sup>**

### **3rd Annual Scientific Meeting of College of Physicians, Singapore**

**Organiser:** *College of Physicians, Singapore*

**Venue:** Theatre, Tan Tock Seng Hospital, Singapore

For more information, please visit <http://www.ams.edu.sg/Chapters/PDF/3rdAnnualScientificMeeting1stAnnouncement.pdf>

For further enquiries, please email: [cps@ams.edu.sg](mailto:cps@ams.edu.sg)

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## August 2006

**Sat 19<sup>th</sup> to Tue 22<sup>nd</sup>**

### **Annual Singapore Paediatrics Congress (ASPC 2006)**

**Organiser:** *College of Paediatrics & Child Health, Singapore*

**Venue:** 19-20 Scientific Sessions; Grand Copthorne Waterfront Hotel

21-22 Post-Congress Workshop on Advanced Resuscitation in Children; KK

Women's and Children's Hospital

For more information, please visit [http://www.ams.edu.sg/Chapters/PDF/ASPC\\_2006\\_First\\_Announcement.pdf](http://www.ams.edu.sg/Chapters/PDF/ASPC_2006_First_Announcement.pdf)

For further enquiries, please email: [cpchs@ams.edu.sg](mailto:cpchs@ams.edu.sg)

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**Thur 24<sup>th</sup> to Sun 27<sup>th</sup>**

### **40<sup>th</sup> Malaysia-Singapore Congress of Medicine**

**Organisers:** *Academy of Medicine of Malaysia and Academy of Medicine, Singapore*

**Venue:** Sunway Pyramid Convention Centre, Petaling Jaya, Malaysia

**Theme:** Coming to Terms with Acute Care Medicine

For more information, please visit <http://www.acadmed.org.my>

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## September 2006

**Fri 1<sup>st</sup> to Sun 3<sup>rd</sup>**

### **8<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting of the Asia Pacific Association of the Paediatric Urologists**

**Organisers:** *Academy of Medicine, Singapore and KK Women's & Children's Hospital*

**Venue:** Auditorium, KK Women's and Children's Hospital, Singapore

For further information, please visit <http://www.ams.edu.sg/apapu/>

For further enquiries, please email: [apapu2006@ams.edu.sg](mailto:apapu2006@ams.edu.sg)

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## May 2007

**Sun 27<sup>th</sup> to Thur 31<sup>st</sup>**

### **5<sup>th</sup> Asia Pacific International Academy of Pathology Congress and Chapter of Pathologists Annual Scientific Meeting**

**Organisers:** *International Academy of Pathology and Chapter of Pathologists, Academy of Medicine, Singapore*

**Venue:** Raffles City, Singapore

**Theme:** Globalisation of Pathology

For further information, please visit <http://www.ams.edu.sg/iap2007/index.html>

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## IMPORTANT NOTICE

### **Issuance of FAMS Certificate for Fellows Admitted Prior to 1991**

The designation of AM (Academician of Medicine) was replaced by FAMS (Fellow of the Academy of Medicine, Singapore) in 1991. Those who were admitted as members of the Academy prior to 1991 may write in to request to replace their membership certificate with the FAMS Certificate.

