



COLLEGE OF ANAESTHESIOLOGISTS, SINGAPORE

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8th Annual General Meeting

The 8th Annual General Meeting (AGM) of the College was held on 19 May 2012, 1:15 pm at the York Hotel, Rose Room. A total of 25 Fellows were present at the AGM.

Activities

Combined Anaesthesia Meetings

The following Combined Anaesthesia Meetings were co-organized with the Singapore Society of Anaesthesiologists:

25 February, National University Health System (Tower Block)	
Symposium – Current Cardiac Topics Chairperson: Dr Sophia Chew	
Preoperative Management of Patients with Implantable Cardiac Device	Dr WS Teo Cardiologist, Mt Elizabeth Hospital
Patients with Acute Coronary Syndrome on Antiplatelet Therapy Going for Surgery: Balancing the Risk of Ischemia and Bleeding	Dr Tan Huay Cheem Cardiologist, National University Hospital
Cardiac Anaesthesia - The Journey	Dr Boey Wah Keong Anaesthesiologists, Gleneagles Hospital
28 April, National University Health System (Tower Block)	
Pain Adjuvants for Today	Dr Edwin Seet Consultant, Department of Anaesthesia, Khoo Teck Phuat Hospital
Thoracic Anaesthesia the Occasional Thoracic Anaesthesia Provide	Dr Suresh Paranjothy Consultant, Department of Anaesthesia, National University Health System
30 June, Singapore General Hospital (Lecture Theatre)	
Chairperson: Dr Adrian Ng Visiting Consultant, Singapore General Hospital	
Update on Anaesthetic Management in Prerclampsia	Dr Wendy Fun Consultant, Department of Anaesthesia, KK Women's and Children's Hospital
Modern Labour Epidural Analgesia	Dr Serene Leo Consultant, Department of Anaesthesia, KK Women's and Children's Hospital
Surgical Aspects of TORS, Base of Tongue Surgery, Sleep Nasoendoscopy	Dr Han Hong Juan Associate Consultant, ENT Surgeon, Singapore General Hospital
Sedation Strategies and Anaesthetic Considerations for Sleep Nasoendoscopy	Dr Ong Yee Yian Registrar, Anaesthesiology, Singapore General Hospital
Anaesthetic Considerations for TORS/ Base of Tongue Surgery	Dr Hazel Chan Registrar, Anaesthesiology, Singapore General Hospital
13 October, Alexandra Hospital (Auditorium)	
Beyond Blocks and Lines: Essential Perioperative Ultrasound	Speakers: • Dr Shahrudin Fathill, Consultant, Alexandra Hospital • Dr Kenneth Tan, Anaesthesiologists, Consultant, Mount Elizabeth Hospital • Dr Alvin Teo, Anaesthesiologists, Consultant
Ventilatory Management of Tetraplegic Patients	Chairperson: Dr See Ji Jian Speaker: Dr Chan Yeow, Senior Consultant, Department of Anaesthesiology, Tan Tock Seng Hospital

Anaesthesia Refresher Course IV, 2012**Raising the Bar - Professionalism, Consent & Competency**

The 4th Annual Anaesthesia Refresher was held on 19 May 2012 at the Carlton Hall, York Hotel. Invited speakers were Mr Tham Hsu Hsien from Allen and Gledhill, Dr Claire Ang, Senior Consultant, Department of Anaesthesia, at Singapore General Hospital and Professor Ong Biau Chi, Head of Department, Department of Anaesthesia, Singapore General Hospital. Topics included 'What constitutes informed consent for Anaesthetist?' and 'Ethics and Professionalism in Anaesthesia', among others. The College Fellows were encouraged to ask questions and come up with case studies in relation to the topic. Prof Ong Biau Chi also briefed the attendees on Maintenance of Competency. There were a total of 100 attendees for this course.

Singapore Anaesthesia Refresher Course 2012

The Singapore Anaesthesia Refresher Course 2012 was co-organised together with the Singapore Society of Anaesthesia. The course featured respected members of the fraternity speaking on their areas of expertise such as cardiac anaesthesia and pediatric anaesthesia. The wide-ranging topics were relevant to all practicing anesthesiologists.

CME Events**a) Ambulatory Anaesthesia**

Baxter organised a talk on Ambulatory Anaesthesia by Professor Girish P Joshi on 23 June at Sheraton Towers. Prof Joshi is the Professor of Anesthesiology and Pain Management and Ambulatory Anesthesia at the University of Texas, Southwestern Medical Centre, USA. He divided his talk into two sessions, the first on Current Management of Post Operative Pain in Ambulatory Surgery and the second on Fast Tracking in Ambulatory Surgery.

b) Can the Choice of Volatile Anesthetic Improve Patient Safety?

Abbott organised a talk on 27 September at the Alkaff Mansion. Dr Thomas Ebert from the Medical College of Wisconsin and VA Medical Centre, Professor of Anesthesiology, Vice Chair for Education, delivered a talk on 'Can the Choice of Volatile Anesthetic Improve Patient Safety?' on 27 September at the Alkaff Mansion.

c) CAS Medical Missions night

Dr Philip Tseng organized a CAS Medical Missions night with the theme "Anaesthesia in Medical Missions". The purpose of the evening is to raise funds for fellows to go on medical mission trips and it served as a platform for doctors who are interested in medical missions. Doctors were invited to share their experiences with Medical missions overseas. Dr See Hooi Geok, Dr Lo Wai Kit and Dr Thauung were the main speakers and shared photos and experiences that they had, using their skills in third world countries. Abbott was the main sponsor of the evening. The event was held at Singapore Island Country Club and there were a total of 40 attendees for the event.

CAS News, College of Anaesthesiologists Bulletin

The College published one issue of newsletter in July. The Editorial Committee comprises the following:

Editor: Dr Sophia Chew
Committee Members: Dr Joyce Goh
Dr Victor Chee

Professional Affairs

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