1ST SINGAPORE PATHOLOGY CONFERENCE

19TH - 20TH OCTOBER 2012

First Announcement

In Conjunction With

3RD ASIA PACIFIC SYMPOSIUM ON ADVANCED MOLECULAR TECHNOLOGIES





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Welcome Message

Dear Friends and Colleagues,

On behalf of the Singapore Society of Pathology, we would like to invite you to attend the 1st Singapore Pathology Conference and 3rd Asia Pacific Symposium on Advanced Molecular Technologies (APSAMT). The meeting will be held from October 19 -20 2012 at the Waterfront Grand Copthorne Hotel, Singapore.

In this historic first national pathology conference, it is an opportune time and place to establish new relationships and renew old ties with fellow colleagues in the field. We have much to share from experiences and through our broad networking, we can share best practices to enhance our respective specialties. planning an exciting scientific program to explore the latest findings in the various fields in pathology - histopathology, forensic pathology, haematology, microbiology. biochemistry and molecular pathology.

In addition, we are very pleased to host the 3rd Asia Pacific Symposium on Advanced Molecular Technologies (APSAMT) in conjunction with the 1st Singapore Pathology Conference. This is the first time the APSAMT symposium is held in Singapore and we are proud to be co-organising it with the Hong Kong Society for Molecular Diagnostic Sciences and the Chinese American Association for Clinical Microbiology. Molecular Pathology is a rapidly progessing field encompassing many disciplines within Pathology so it is appropriate to place a high emphasis on this area in our conference.

I look forward to seeing you at the conference.

Dr Ling Moi Lin Chairman Organising Committee

Faculty

Plenary Speakers

Alastair BURT, UK Rossa CHIU, Hong Kong Sunil SETHI, Singapore

Overseas

Anton M van LOON, Nethelands
Edmond MA, Hong Kong
Yi-Wei TANG, USA
Hong TAO, USA
Thomas WAN, Hong Kong
Wayne WANG, USA
Wing-Cheong YAM, Hong Kong
Joseph YAO, USA
Timothy YIP, Hong Kong
Shea-Ping YIP, Hong Kong

Local

Tar-Choon AW Norman CHAN Kenneth CHANG Paul CHUI Robert HAWKINS Tse-Hsien KOH Andrea KWA Leslie LAM Gilbert LAU Hwei-Yee LEE Matthias MAIWALD Lee-Ching NG Lynette 00N Ban-Hock TAN Thean-Yen TAN Aileen WEE

Programme Synopsis

Day 1: Friday, 19 October 2012

1300 - 1330		Registration	
1330 - 1430	Plenary 1: Clinic	Plenary 1: Clinical Laboratory at the Forefront of Patient Care	Sunil SETHI
1430 - 1545	Troublesome infections	Molecular Pathology - Oncology	Updates in Laboratory Medicine
	Diagnostic and Therapeutic Challenges for Hematology Patients with Persistent Febrile Neutropenia Ban-Hock TAN Severe XDR-GNB Infections and Combination Antibiotic Therapy: The Perspective of Clinician vs Microbiologist Andrea KWA	Nasopharyngeal Carcinoma Genomics Timothy YIP Predictive Cancer Biomarkers and Clinical Application Edmond MA EGFR Mutation Testing for Non-Small Cell Lung Cancers	eGFR - An Update Leslie LAM The Use of Natriuretic Peptide Measurements Tar-Choon, AW Benchmarking Laboratory Performance Robert HAWKINS
1545 - 1600	V	Afternoon Tea & Viewing of Posters and Exhibitions	35
1600 - 1715	Emerging Infections	Molecular Pathology - New Technology & Quality Control	Forensic Pathology
	Carbapenem-Resistant Enterobacteriaceae Tse-Hsien KOH Mosquito-Borne Diseases in Asia-Pacific Region Lee-Ching NG	Translating Next Generation Sequencing into Clinical Diagnostics Novel Molecular Tools for Multiplexing in Microbiology Lynette OON Molecular Diagnostics Quality & Standardisation: Does it Make a Difference? Anton M van LOON	Post Mortem Imaging Paul CHUI Latrogenic Deaths Gilbert LAU
1715		End of Day 1	

Day 2: Saturday, 20 October 2012

0800 - 0830		Registration	
0830 - 0830	Plenary 2: Non-Invasive Prenatal	Plenary 2: Non-Invasive Prenatal Diagnosis by Massively Parallel Maternal Plasma DNA Sequencing	DNA Sequencing Rossa CHIU
0930 - 1045	Histopathology I	Molecular Pathology - Microbiology	Haematology
	Spectrum of Changes Encountered in EUS-Pancreas Norman CHAN Beyond "Cirrhosis" Alleen WEE Neuropathology Hwei-Yee LEE	Application of Molecular Microbiology Techniques in Infectious Disease Translational Research Yi-Wei TANG Molecular Diagnosis Towards Extensively Drug Resistant Tuberculosis (XDR-TB): Current Practice and Challenges Wing-Cheong YAM Broad-Range PCR for Detection and Identification of Bacteria	TBD
1045 - 1100		Morning Tea & Viewing of Exhibitions	
1100 - 1200		Free Paper Presentations and Viewing of Posters	
1215 - 1330	Lunch	Lunch, Viewing of Exhibitions and SSP AGM (For members only)	s only)
1330 - 1430	Plenary 3: Autoin	Plenary 3: Autoimmune Liver Diseases: Variation Upon a Theme	Alastair BURT
1430 - 1545	Histopathology II	Molecular Pathology - Haematology & Genetics	Microbiology and Innovation
	Case Studies in Paediatric Pathology Challenges & Controversies Kenneth CHANG	Monitoring Bone Marrow Transplant (Using STR & CD3, CD15, CD 34 Sorted Cells) Hong TAO Molecular Cytogenetics: Blurring the Boundaries with Molecular Biology Thomas WAN Copy Number Variations (CNV): Detection & Clinical Significance Shea-Ping YIP	MALDI-TOF - Hype or Reality? Wayne WANG Get the Skinny on LEAN (Molecular & Microbiology) Joseph YAO When Can We Throw Away the Culture Plate? Thean-Yen TAN
1545 - 1600		Awards Presentation & Closing Ceremony	
1600 - 1615	/	Afternoon Tea and View of Posters and Exhibitions	
1615-1730		Post-Conference Satellite Symposium	

End of Conference

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Call for Abstracts

The 1st Singapore Pathology Conference invites abstracts for poster or oral presentations. The top abstracts submitted will qualify for the Free Paper Oral while the others, upon acceptance, will put up for poster presentation.

Closing Date

All abstracts must be submitted by 18 August 2012. Abstracts submitted after the deadline will not be considered.

Rules for Submission

- All abstracts must be submitted using the Abstract Submission Form, which can be downloaded from the event website. All completed abstracts are to be emailed to our Secretariat (spc2012@wizlink.com.sg). Alternatively, you may save the form in a CD or diskette and, together with the hardcopy, send them to our Conference Secretariat.
- 2. We regret that faxed abstracts will not be accepted.
- All accepted abstracts may be included in the 1st Singapore Pathology Conference programme booklet and website. Therefore, submission of abstracts constitutes the authors' consent for publication of abstracts.
- Please ensure the correctness of your abstract as it will be published as submitted; i.e. any error appearing in the submitted abstract will appear in the published book or website.
- 5. All presenting authors must register for the conference.

Abstract Format

- Font: Times New Roman, regular, only
- Size: 10 points only
- 3. Single space and justify the text
- 4. Limit the content to 250 words
- 5. Do not include any pictures and references in the abstract
- 6. The content of the abstract is to be organized as follows:
 - Background/Aim
 - Methods
 - Results
 - Conclusion

Submission and Notification

- All abstracts submitted will be acknowledged by email within 3 working days following receipt. Please contact the Secretariat if you do not receive the acknowledgement email.
- All abstracts will be evaluated against Originality, Study Design, Study Quality, Statistical Methods, Ethical Issues, Content and Importance/Relevance.
- The judges' decisions are final.
- The organising committee reserves the right to make changes to all oral and poster presentation schedules.
- Presenting authors will receive an email notification on the result of the abstract submitted by 19 September 2012.

General Information

Venue

Ballroom, Level 2, Grand Copthorne Waterfront

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Event Website

For updated information and online registration, please refer to the official webaite at http://spc2012.wizlink.com.sg.

Official Language

English is the medium of instruction for the course.

Registration

Kindly fax or mail the completed registration form to the secretariat or register online.

Registration Fees

	Early Bird	Normal	On-Site
Members	S\$100	S\$150	S\$200
Local Delegates	S\$200	S\$300	S\$400
Overseas Delegates	S\$300	S\$400	S\$500
Others	S\$100	S\$150	S\$200

Please refer to registration form for details of payment. All payments are to be made to "Singapore Society of Pathology" and receipt will be issued within 10 days following receipt.

CME/CNE Administration

CME/CNE points will be accredited accordingly to Singapore registered healthcare professionals

Liability

The Organisers are not liable for any personal accidents, illnesses, loss or damage to private properties of delegates during the Course. Delegates are advised to make their own arrangements with respect to personal insurance.

Disclaimer

Whilst every attempt will be made to ensure that all aspects of the programme will take place as scheduled, the Organisers reserve the right to make appropriate changes should the need arise.

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