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**College of Surgeons, Singapore**
MESSAGE FROM OFFICE OF THE MASTER

This year marked a special year for the Academy of Medicine, Singapore as we celebrated our Golden Jubilee since the Academy was formed in 1957.

The main highlight of the celebration was the 41st Singapore-Malaysia Congress of Medicine held from 19 to 22 July 2007. We were deeply honoured to confer the Honorary Fellowship of the Academy to Prime Minister Lee Hsien Loong. In addition, we were also privileged to have President S R Nathan as the Guest-of-Honour for the Golden Jubilee Congress Banquet.

At the Golden Jubilee Induction Comitia held on 29 October 2007, the Academy also conferred Honorary Fellowship on Dr Oon Chiew Seng, in recognition of her association with the Academy as one of its founding members, and an acknowledgement of her contribution in the humanitarian sphere as Chairman of the Apex Harmony Lodge.

As part of our 50th anniversary celebration, a commemorative publication of the Annals, Academy of Medicine, Singapore; a video entitled Golden Jubilee: 1957-2007; and collar pins were produced. It is our way to show our appreciation for the support of our Fellows as we pay tribute to the leading role of the senior academicians whose passion and pioneering spirit have brought the Academy thus far.

As our Golden Jubilee’s celebrations come to an end, another new and exciting era awaits us. While embracing our past, we must also be ready to respond to the increasing complexity of medicine.

In moving forward, the Council of the Academy had identified three major thrusts in which the Academy must play a critical role:

• postgraduate specialist training and examination
• continuing professional development
• generation and dissemination of knowledge to provide expert advice to the society on matters related to health

In seeking and savoring the truth at all times, as specified in the Academy’s motto, the challenge is for the current and future generations of academicians to work with ethical distinction in pursuing even greater heights towards realising the vision of the Academy while facing the increasing complexity of the medical sector.

This can only be achieved with the continuous support and volunteerism of our Fellows, as well as our committed staff. I would like to thank them for their selfless commitment and look forward to a new and exciting year ahead for the Academy.

Prof. Ho Lai Yun  
Master, 2006-2008
Patron: Mr S R Nathan, President, Republic of Singapore

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The Journal of Events was compiled for the ease of reference of the various activities of the Academy, its Colleges and Chapters along the following categories:

- Events
- Council/Committee Meetings
- Awards, Fellowships, Lectureships and Overseas Events with Representation from AMS, Colleges and Chapters

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7-9: 6th International Symposium on Antimicrobial Agents and Resistance (ISAAR)

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26: Renal Update 2007

20 - 22: 1st Asian and Oceanian Parkinson’s Disease and Movement Disorders Congress (AOPMC)

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i. Acute Thrombosis with Renal Impairment, Anemia, Thrombocytopenia, Immunosuppression and More - A Case Study by Dr Ng Chin Hin

ii. Therapeutic Dilemmas in Anticoagulation - An Evidence-Based Approach in the Renally Impaired, Elderly and Other Special Populations by Dr Mark Crowther

24: Pain Management in the Elderly

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23: CME lecture: 3T MR - New Standard?

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9: CME lecture: New Technology in Ultrasound - What’s New in Ultrasound Imaging?


14: New Drugs, New Compounds, New Horizons - What’s New in Osteoporosis Therapy

15: Dinner Symposium

i) Approach to the Patient with Joint Pain

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<td>29-30 Oct</td>
<td>Appointment as Visiting Academician 2007 with Lecture on ‘Strategies for Cancer Imaging in the 21st Century - A Global Perspective’ by Prof Dame Janet Husband</td>
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**College of Surgeons, Singapore**

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<tr>
<td>20 Jul</td>
<td>Presentation of Young Surgeon’s Award</td>
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<td>20 Jul</td>
<td>2nd College of Surgeons Lectureship / 11th &amp; 12th Yahya Cohen Memorial Lectureship</td>
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**College of Physicians, Singapore**

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<tr>
<td>21 Jul</td>
<td>4th College of Physicians Lecture by Prof Neil Douglas</td>
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<td>21 Jul</td>
<td>17th Seah Cheng Siang Memorial Lecture by Prof Napier Thomson</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>21 Jul</td>
<td>Conferment of Honorary Fellowship on Prof David Dale, Prof Neil Douglas, Prof Dato’ Khalid Kadir, Prof Lai Kar Neng, Prof Napier Thomson &amp; Dr Zaimudin</td>
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**Chapter of Pathologists**

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<td>21 Jul</td>
<td>Best Paper Award (Free Papers) - 18th ASMTG</td>
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**Chapter of Dermatologists**

**Chapter of Neurologists**

**Chapter of Neurologists**

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<td>21 Jul</td>
<td>3rd Chapter of Dermatologists Lecture by Prof John Stanley</td>
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<td>3rd Chapter of Neurologists Lecture by Prof Yoshikuni Mizuno</td>
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The organisational chart was reviewed by Council and structured to give emphasis to the various areas of strategic importance for the professional development and organisation of the Academy. It highlights the important areas for capacity building to support the work of the Academy and its Standing Committees involving its Colleges and Chapters.
REPORTS BY DIVISIONS

PLANNING AND GENERAL ADMINISTRATION DIVISION

Membership
During the year 2007, the Council through the recommendation of the Board of Censors admitted 83 new Fellows. However, a total of 135 were inducted at two comitias.

The Council records with sadness the demise of the following fellows:
Dr Wong Heck Sing (Local Fellow)
Dr Chan Yat Wah (Retired Fellow - General Physician)
Dr Mitra Ratna (Local Fellow - Obstetrics & Gynaecology)
Dr Yung Hin, Richard (Local Fellow - Obstetrics & Gynaecology)

The Academy’s total membership of 2379 as at 31st December 2007 comprises:

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<tr>
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<tr>
<td>Honorary Fellows</td>
<td>22</td>
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<tr>
<td>Local Fellows</td>
<td>2106</td>
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<tr>
<td>Overseas Fellows</td>
<td>115</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Distinguished Overseas Fellows (Fraternal Overseas Colleges/Academies)</td>
<td>136</td>
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The following Table shows the breakdown on the number of local and overseas fellows over the last three years:

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<tr>
<th>Total Number of Local and Overseas Fellows (2005 - 2007)</th>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Academy of Medicine</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>(Non-Chapter, Non-College)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>2005</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>149</td>
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<td>Chapters</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Dental Surgeons</td>
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<td>2005</td>
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<td>150</td>
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<tr>
<td>Emergency Physicians</td>
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<td>-</td>
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<tr>
<td>Pathologists</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>2005</td>
</tr>
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<td>58</td>
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<td>Psychiatrists</td>
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<td>2005</td>
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<td>82</td>
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<td>Public Health and Occupational Physicians</td>
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<tr>
<td>2005</td>
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<tr>
<td>100</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Colleges</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Anaesthesiologists (CAS)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>2005</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>118</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Obstetricians &amp; Gynaecologists (COGS)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>2005</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>190</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Paediatrics &amp; Child Health (CPCHS)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>2005</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>142</td>
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<td>Physicians (CPS)</td>
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<td>2005</td>
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<td>466</td>
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<td>421</td>
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<td>Total</td>
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<tr>
<td>2005</td>
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<td>1994</td>
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As at 31st December 2007, a total of 68 Fellows have yet to be admitted to their respective Colleges.
Financial Review

Donations

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<tr>
<td>1</td>
<td>Building &amp; Endowment Fund</td>
<td>New Fellows</td>
<td>$157,072</td>
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<tr>
<td>2</td>
<td>Annals</td>
<td>Lee Foundation</td>
<td>$25,000</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>3</td>
<td>41st SMCM</td>
<td>• Dr Oon Chiew Seng</td>
<td>$55,500</td>
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<td>• Lee Foundation</td>
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<td>• Kwan Im Thong Hood Cho Temple</td>
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<td>• Zimmer Pte Ltd</td>
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Changes that have taken place

For the year ending 31 December 2007, these changes took place within the Academy:

• The Academy has been registered for GST and any provision of supplies of services by the Academy including subscription payable by members will be subjected to the prevailing GST rate.

• Separate invoices are issued by the Academy and the Colleges for the payment of subscription. Colleges are not registered for GST.

• Towards the end of FY 2007, the Academy has also introduced the GIRO payment system to make the payment of subscription fees easier for members.

Financial Performance

TOTAL REVENUE, TOTAL EXPENSES & SURPLUS FOR FY 2005-2007

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Year</th>
<th>Revenue S$</th>
<th>Expenses S$</th>
<th>Surpluses/Deficit S$</th>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>2007</td>
<td>2,016,048</td>
<td>1,964,002</td>
<td>52,046</td>
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<tr>
<td>2006</td>
<td>1,854,435</td>
<td>1,974,346</td>
<td>(119,911)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>2005</td>
<td>2,137,924</td>
<td>1,466,442</td>
<td>671,482</td>
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![Chart of Annual Revenue, Expenses, and Surpluses/Deficit for FY 2005-2007]
## Annual Report 2007

### Academy of Medicine, Singapore

**BALANCE SHEET**

<table>
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<th></th>
<th>2007</th>
<th>2006</th>
<th>2005</th>
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<tr>
<td><strong>FIXED ASSETS</strong></td>
<td></td>
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<tr>
<td>Property, Plant and Equipment</td>
<td>2,972,857</td>
<td>2,962,640</td>
<td>3,026,745</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><strong>CURRENT ASSETS</strong></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Inventories</td>
<td>10,171</td>
<td>12,785</td>
<td>13,127</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Receivables (Member’s Subscription)</td>
<td>137,505</td>
<td>155,575</td>
<td>80,250</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Other Debtors &amp; Deposits</td>
<td>179,691</td>
<td>31,403</td>
<td>22,231</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Amount due from Related Companies (Non Trade)</td>
<td>-</td>
<td>5,681</td>
<td>-</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Fixed Deposits with Financial Institution</td>
<td>5,488,876</td>
<td>5,562,845</td>
<td>5,848,766</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Cash and Bank balances</td>
<td>2,479,050</td>
<td>3,129,517</td>
<td>2,505,327</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><strong>TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS</strong></td>
<td>8,295,293</td>
<td>8,897,806</td>
<td>8,469,701</td>
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<tr>
<td><strong>(LESS) CURRENT LIABILITIES</strong></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
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<tr>
<td>Amount due to Related Companies (Non Trade)</td>
<td>-</td>
<td>37,363</td>
<td>8,925</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Other Creditors &amp; Accruals</td>
<td>245,613</td>
<td>797,203</td>
<td>236,017</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Deferred Income</td>
<td>-</td>
<td>64,892</td>
<td>172,984</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Subscriptions Received in Advance</td>
<td>11,992</td>
<td>2,489</td>
<td>110</td>
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<tr>
<td><strong>NET CURRENT ASSETS</strong></td>
<td>8,037,688</td>
<td>7,995,859</td>
<td>8,051,665</td>
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<tr>
<td><strong>TOTAL ASSETS</strong></td>
<td>11,010,545</td>
<td>10,958,499</td>
<td>11,078,410</td>
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### FUNDS OF THE ACADEMY

**Unrestricted Funds**

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<th>2006</th>
<th>2005</th>
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<td>Accumulated Funds</td>
<td>1,058,186</td>
<td>1,200,740</td>
<td>1,609,555</td>
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**Restricted Funds**

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<th>2006</th>
<th>2005</th>
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<td>Chapter Funds</td>
<td>101,900</td>
<td>66,903</td>
<td>66,249</td>
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<td>Lectureship Funds</td>
<td>1,801,036</td>
<td>1,776,696</td>
<td>1,742,887</td>
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<td>Specific Funds</td>
<td>8,049,423</td>
<td>7,914,160</td>
<td>7,659,719</td>
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<td><strong>TOTAL FUNDS</strong></td>
<td>11,010,545</td>
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Moving Forward
Moving forward, with the expected increases in expenses, the Academy is considering the following options to increase its revenue income and reduce its deficit:

- Expansion of the provision of services through the Professional Affairs, Education and Training, and Professional Congress Organisation Divisions.

- Review of the sharing of surplus from events organised by the Colleges with the provision of assistance rendered by the Academy.

- A revamp of the bi-annual organisation of the Singapore-Malaysia Congress of Medicine.

Use of Information Technology
The Academy sourced for information technology solutions to computerise functions in Membership Service, Finance, Payroll and Leave management. Funding from the VWO Charities Capability Fund was sought. Implementation of the computerised system will take place in 2008. This is an important initiative in capacity building within the Academy and in providing a better service to all the Fellows.

Facilities Development
In July and August 2007, renovation work was carried out to create more office space as well as to improve the office furnishings. The main areas renovated were the basement and courtyard, the Ransome Lounge and the fourth floor Master Room.

Eight work stations were installed at the basement to cater to the needs of JCST. The Ransome Lounge was converted into a conference room with additional furnishings. The fourth floor Master Room was converted into an office for the Division of Professional Affairs. Four workstations and cabinets were installed for this purpose.

Staff Levels
As at 31 December 2007, The Academy had 36 employees, comprising of 21 from AMS and 15 from JCST. The breakdown is as follows:

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<th>Level</th>
<th>Academy</th>
<th>JCST</th>
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<td>Managerial</td>
<td>3</td>
<td>3</td>
<td>6</td>
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<td>Executives</td>
<td>14</td>
<td>6</td>
<td>20</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Officers/Assistants</td>
<td>4</td>
<td>6</td>
<td>10</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><strong>Total</strong></td>
<td><strong>21</strong></td>
<td><strong>15</strong></td>
<td><strong>36</strong></td>
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At the Opening Ceremony, Singapore’s Prime Minister Lee Hsien Loong was conferred the Honorary Fellowship of the Academy. In his speech, PM Lee highlighted that Singapore enjoyed standards of healthcare equal to or exceeding advanced countries. He also added that Singapore stood for quality and ethical practice internationally, which was proven by the growing numbers of foreign patients who sought advanced medical treatments in Singapore each year. PM Lee attributed this position to the past generations of doctors who had served with compassion, humility and high ideals. The most fundamental challenge, according to PM Lee, was for senior doctors to pass the core values to the younger generation of doctors, so that they would in time produce a new generation of Gordon Ransome, Seah Cheng Siang and the other pioneers.

PM Lee Hsien Loong was conferred the Honorary Fellowship of the Academy.

A total of 97 new inductees and 19 distinguished Presidents and Fellows of Overseas Colleges and Academies were admitted into the Academy at the Opening and Induction Ceremony on 19 July 2007. Dr Chew Chin Hin delivered the Gordon Arthur Ransome Oration. His lecture title was ‘Some Milestones: Specialist Education, Training and Assessment in Singapore.’

PM Lee interacting with guests and new inductees.

On 20 July 2007, as part of the SMCM, the Galloway Memorial Lecture was delivered by Dr Lo Yew Long on ‘The Role of Electrophysiology in the Diagnosis and Management of Cervical Spondylotic Myelopathy.’

Golden Jubilee Congress Banquet
The Academy was also honoured to have His Excellency Mr S R Nathan, President of the Republic of Singapore and Patron, Academy of Medicine, Singapore as the Guest-of-Honour at the Golden Jubilee Congress Banquet on 20 July 2007.

His Excellency, Mr S R Nathan graced the Golden Jubilee Congress Banquet as the Guest-of-Honour.
A Golden Jubilee video was screened at the Golden Jubilee Congress Banquet. It included short interviews of two founding members, Past Masters, Master and Assistant Master of the Academy of Medicine, Singapore and Master of Academy of Medicine of Malaysia.

Memorandum of Understanding
On 20 July 2007, a memorandum of understanding on the continuation of the conjoint MMed (Int Med)(Singapore)/MRCP (UK) PACES Examination was signed between the Division of Graduate Medical Studies of National University of Singapore; Academy of Medicine, Singapore; College of Physicians, Singapore; and the three Royal Colleges of Physicians of UK.

Visiting Academician
Associate Professor Jens Ove Andreasen delivered a lecture on ‘Implants and Transplant Use after Tooth Loss’ on 23 January 2007, organised by the Chapter of Dental Surgeons. He was in Singapore between 15 to 26 January 2007 as a HMDP Visiting Expert in Dental Traumatology.

Professor Dame Janet Husband, as a Visiting Academician of the Academy under the College of Radiologists for 2007, delivered a lecture on ‘Strategies for Cancer Imaging in the 21st Century - A Global Perspective’, at the Golden Jubilee Induction Comitia on 29 October 2007. She was conferred FAMS on the same occasion.

Golden Jubilee Induction Comitia
The Golden Jubilee Induction Comitia was held on 29 October 2007 at the Grand Copthorne Waterfront Hotel as part of the Academy’s 50th anniversary celebration.

During the ceremony, the Academy conferred Honorary Fellowship on Dr Oon Chiew Seng who was also the Guest-of-Honour for the event. This was the Academy’s highest honour on a distinguished member of the medical profession, in particular the Obstetrics and Gynaecology community, who had made an outstanding contribution towards the development of the specialty. The honour was also recognition of her association with the Academy as one of its founding members and her continuous support through the years towards its activities. In addition, this Honorary Fellowship was an acknowledgement of her contribution in the humanitarian sphere as the Chairman of the Apex Harmony Lodge, which aspires to be a living model of a home for dementia in the region with facilities for education and research.

The Academy also conferred FAMS on Professor Dame Janet Husband, Immediate Past President of the Royal College of Radiologists, who was the Visiting Academician of the Academy under the College of Radiologists for 2007.

Visiting Academician Professor Dame Janet Husband gave an insightful lecture.

New Fellows being admitted to the Academy at the Induction Comitia.
Networking with guests after the ceremony.

Golden Jubilee Activities

In keeping with the significance of the year, a special commemorative issue of the *Annals, Academy of Medicine, Singapore* was published. The publication recorded important milestones in the Academy’s 50 years of journey, the development of specialties as well as historical moments captured in pictures. It was a tribute to all those who have served the Academy selflessly and with a sense of mission for the profession.

In addition, the Academy also produced commemorative Collar Pins and DVDs with the title *Golden Jubilee: 1957-2007*.

This collection of commemorative souvenirs was a way for the Academy in showing its appreciation to Fellows for their continuous support throughout the years.

The Academy was also honoured to have Prime Minister Lee Hsien Loong and President S R Nathan to grace the SMCM and Golden Jubilee Congress Banquet respectively.

### PUBLICATIONS DIVISION

**Annals, Academy Of Medicine, Singapore**

The members of the 2007 Editorial Board were Dr Vernon M S Oh (Editor and Chairman), Dr Yap Hui Kim (Deputy Editor), Dr Ng Beng Yeong (Treasurer), Dr Cheah Jin Seng, Dr Terrance SJ Chua, Dr Erle Lim Chuen Hian, Dr Loke Kah Yin, Dr VS Rajadurai, Dr Saw Seang Mei, Dr Tan Eng King, Dr A Vathsala and Dr Felix X Sundram (Immediate Past Editor).

**Annals Issues**

The following issues were published in 2007:

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<th>Vol. No.</th>
<th>Month</th>
<th>Title</th>
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<td>Vol 36 No. 1</td>
<td>Jan 07</td>
<td>Rehabilitation Medicine</td>
<td>Dr Kong Keng He</td>
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<tr>
<td>Vol 36 No. 2</td>
<td>Feb 07</td>
<td>Clinical Immunology and Rheumatology</td>
<td>Drs Leong Keng Hong, Fong Kok Yong</td>
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<td>Vol 36 No. 3</td>
<td>Mar 07</td>
<td>Free Papers</td>
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<td>Vol 36 No. 4</td>
<td>Apr 07</td>
<td>Free Papers</td>
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<tr>
<td>Vol 36 No. 5</td>
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<td>Neuro-Oncology</td>
<td>Drs Ng Wai Hoe, See Siew Ju, Wong Meng Cheong</td>
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<td>Jun 07</td>
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<td>Vol 36 No. 7</td>
<td>Jul 07</td>
<td>Academy of Medicine, Singapore 1957-2007</td>
<td>Drs Chew Chin Hin, Raj Nambiar, Low Cheng Hock, NC Tan, Vernon Oh</td>
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<td>Aug 07</td>
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<td>Vol 36 No. 9</td>
<td>Sep 07</td>
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<td>Drs Khoo Hoon-Eng, Zubair Amin, Chong Yap Seng</td>
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<td>Oct 07</td>
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<td>Vol 36 No. 10 (Suppl)</td>
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<td>The Eye Institute 3rd Research Day</td>
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<td>Nov 07</td>
<td>Selected Lectures of the 41st Singapore-Malaysia Congress of Medicine</td>
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<td>Vol 36 No. 12</td>
<td>Dec 07</td>
<td>Free Papers</td>
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The journal received 385 (free and theme) papers in 2007.

**AMS News**

AMS Newsletter Issues No. 7 and No. 8 were published in 2007. AMS Newsletter Issue No. 8 had reports on the 41st Singapore-Malaysia Congress of Medicine, PM Lee’s acceptance speech and Message from Master.
Impact Factor
The AAMS’ journal impact factor (JIF), an index of the biomedical importance of published articles, has nearly doubled since 2004, and is now 0.772.

Impact factors of the AAMS since 2004 were:

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<td>2004</td>
<td>0.375</td>
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<td>0.419</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>2006</td>
<td>0.772</td>
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The relative increase in JIF in the two succeeding years, 2005 and 2006, was 11.7% and 84.2% respectively.

Online Submission and Review
The Annals implemented its Online Submission and Review system in May 2007. Authors are able to submit and check the status of their manuscripts and reviewers are able to do reviews via the Internet.

International Authorship
The Annals has started to receive a perceptibly more mature and thoughtful range of papers from non-traditional sources. For instance, it has received submissions from the UK, USA and Germany.

Members of the Specialist Advisory Panel 2007
The members of this Panel are Drs Balram Chowbay, Cheah Wei Keat, Chen Fun Gee, Chang Tou Choong, Pierce Kah-Hoe Chow, Fong Kok Yong, Carol Goh Yean Eng, Khoo Kei Siong, J J Mukherjee, London Lucien Ooi, Jeyarat Prema Raj, Alex Sia Tiong Heng, Tan Bien Soo, Hugo van Bever.

Members of the International Advisory Panel 2007
The members of this Panel are Drs Paul W Brandt-Rauf, Juliana C N Chan, Peter J Ell, Richard N Fine, Ashley Grossman, Ho Yik Hong, Richard H Hunt, Arthur K C Li, Edison Liu, Harvey Marcovitch, Albert Singer and R C N Williamson.

The Editorial Board records its appreciation to all Guest Editors and Expert Reviewers who gave their invaluable time and expertise to help further the international standing of the Annals. The Editorial Board also acknowledges the generous support of the Lee Foundation for the year 2007.

PROFESSIONAL AFFAIRS DIVISION
The setting up of the Division of Professional Affairs in August 2007 was to spearhead the initiative to provide professional advice to the Ministry of Health, Singapore as well as to generate and disseminate information on health related matters to the public. It was also an affirmation to the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) signed with the Ministry of Health, Singapore (MOH) on 17 May 2007 to provide professional guidance on specialist medical issues.

Professional Advice
Arising from the MOU signed with MOH, the following inputs were provided to MOH from August 2007 in collaboration with the Colleges and Chapters:

- Colonic Hydrotherapy and its Potential Use in Medicine in Singapore (Chapter of Gastroenterologists, College of Physicians, Singapore and Chapter of General Surgeons, College of Surgeons, Singapore)
- Bone Marrow Transplant – Review of Audit Results (Chapter of Haematologists, College of Physicians, Singapore)
- Cell Therapy (Chapters of Dermatologists, Haematologists, Neurologists and Oncologists, College of Physicians, Singapore and Chapter of Plastic Surgeons, College of Surgeons, Singapore)
- Coroner’s Bill (Chapter of Pathologists, Academy of Medicine, Singapore)

In addition, advice was also given to requests from other Ministries and institutions:
- Feedback on the Regulation of Medical Devices (Health Sciences Authority)
- Mental Capacity Bill & Assessment (Ministry of Community Development, Youth and Sports)
Clinical Practice Guidelines
In collaboration with MOH, the following CPGs were endorsed by the Academy in 2007 with the involvement of its Chapters and the Colleges:

- Dementia (Chapters of Geriatricians and Neurologists, College of Physicians, Singapore)
- Osteoarthritis of the Knees (Chapter of Rheumatologists, College of Physicians, Singapore)
- Diagnosis and Management of Headache (Chapter of Neurologists, College of Physicians, Singapore)
- Parkinson’s Disease (Chapters of Geriatricians and Neurologists, College of Physicians, Singapore)
- Management of Asthma (Chapter of Respiratory Physicians, College of Physicians, Singapore and College of Paediatrics and Child Health)

Independent Medical Experts
From 2005 to 2007, a total of 147 requests were received from the Singapore Police Force to nominate Fellows as independent medical experts (‘IMEs’).

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<th>Year</th>
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<td>72</td>
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In 2007, the Academy received 45 requests and tokens of compensation, totalling $45,000, were paid to the medical experts as the Academy’s gesture of appreciation for the time and goodwill in writing the reports.

EDUCATION AND TRAINING DIVISION

Staff Registrar Scheme
The Education and Training Division began the coordination of the diploma courses for the Staff Registrar Scheme in November 2007. The diploma awarded will be recognised by the Singapore Medical Council for conditional registration and this will allow successful graduates to continue to be employed as a Staff Registrar in public/restructured hospitals under the supervision of consultants. The scheme aims to enroll foreign doctors whose specialist degrees and medical schools are not recognised by the Specialists Accreditation Board (SAB) and Singapore Medical Council (SMC) respectively. The scheme serves as a good avenue for the public/restructured health care institutions to retain temporarily registered doctors. The course is also opened to local doctors who do not wish to practice as general practitioners or specialists but prefer to work in the healthcare institutions. The scheme will not lead to a specialist registration and the training will ensure trainees a broad educational exposure so that they attain sufficient competencies to practice in the community and to participate as team members in the various specialties.

Proposed Curriculums
The Academy, together with the professional inputs from the Chapters and Colleges’ fellows, submitted the curriculums for the following courses to the SMC in 2007 for approval:

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<td>Prof Tham Kurn Ying</td>
<td>Chapter of Emergency Physicians</td>
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<td>Diploma in Nuclear Medicine</td>
<td>Dr Anthony Goh</td>
<td>Chapter of Nuclear Medicine Physicians, College of Radiologists</td>
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<td>Diploma in Infectious Diseases</td>
<td>Prof Leo Yee Sin, Dr Lee Cheng Chuan</td>
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<td>Diploma in Geriatric Medicine</td>
<td>Dr Tan Thai Lian, Dr Chong Mei Sian</td>
<td>Chapter of Geriatricians, College of Physicians</td>
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<td>Diploma in Neurosurgery</td>
<td>Dr Seow Wan Tew</td>
<td>Chapter of Neurosurgeons, College of Surgeons</td>
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<td>Diploma in Cardiology</td>
<td>Dr Terrence Chua</td>
<td>Chapter of Cardiologists, College of Physicians</td>
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<td>Dr Chang Tou Choong</td>
<td>College of Obstetricians and Gynaecologists</td>
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<td>Diploma in Paediatrics and Child Health</td>
<td>Prof Quak Seng Hock</td>
<td>College of Paediatrics &amp; Child Health</td>
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Fee Structure
The Academy proposed a fee structure and will implement it in all course intakes in 2008.

The standardised course and registration fees were set at $5350 and $535 respectively (with 7% GST).

The supplementary/miscellaneous fee (with 7% GST) remained as variable and will be advised by the programme directors.

The table below shows the launched diploma courses, the number of candidates enrolled and the sponsoring hospitals in year 2007:

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<td>Diploma in Nuclear Medicine</td>
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<td>Singapore General Hospital</td>
<td>01/09/2007</td>
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<td>Diploma in Infectious Diseases</td>
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<td>Tan Tock Seng Hospital</td>
<td>01/06/2007</td>
<td>31/05/2009</td>
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<tr>
<td>Diploma in Paediatrics and Child Health</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>KK Women’s and Children’s Hospital</td>
<td>21/05/2009</td>
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Recommendation of Core Specialty for CME Activities

The following recommendations of core specialty for CME activities were made in 2007:

Master Ho Lai Yun oversaw the development of CME programme, distance-learning programme, the reviewing of core calendars together with the Colleges and Chapters and the recommendation of core specialty for CME activities.

Submission of Self-claims for Fellows

The division has also been submitting self-claims for fellows who are not Internet Savvy or who do not have Internet access at home. This is a service provided complimentary to fellows.

Reviewing of Core Calendars together with the Colleges and Chapters

The Academy reviewed the core calendars yearly together with the Colleges and Chapters. The core calendars are listed by specialty and are made up of a list of recommended CME activities for specialists to undertake in the year. All activities listed in the Calendar will be awarded Core CME points.

Distance-Learning Programme

The Distance-Learning Programme (DLP) was developed as an alternative to help fellows meet their CME requirements. Fellows could access the DLP online at their own pace and time and be accredited with 2 CME points for each module completed. A total of 47 DLP modules were uploaded since 2005. The breakdown of the modules by Colleges/Chapters is as follows:

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<td>Self claims submitted by Fellows</td>
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Chapter of Dental Surgeons: 6
1. The Genetic Control of Early Odontogenesis
2. Evaluation of posttreatment changes in Class II Division 1 patients after nonextraction orthodontic treatment: Cephalometric and model analysis
3. Factors affecting soft tissue around dental implants: a review of the literature
5. Effect of implant size and shape on implant success rates: a literature review
6. Changes in Mandibular Third Molar Angle and Position after Unilateral Mandibular First Molar Extraction

Chapter of Public Health & Occupational Physicians: 7
1. Malignant Mesothelioma: Experience at the Singapore General Hospital
2. The Association between Secondhand Smoke and the Risk of Developing Acute Coronary Syndromes, among Non-smokers, under the Presence of Several Cardiovascular Risk Factors
3. Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease (COPD) and Occupational Exposures
4. Nanotechnology and the Occupational Physician: Occupational Medicine
5. Work Stress in the Etiology of Coronary Heart Disease - a meta-analysis
6. Ergonomics, Musculoskeletal Disorders and Computer Work
7. Prophylactic Human Papillomavirus Vaccines

College of Paediatrics and Child Health: 4
1. Long-Term Consequences of Toxic Epidermal Necrolysis in Children
2. Kawasaki disease: an evidence based approach to diagnosis, treatment and proposals for future research
3. The United Kingdom Infantile Spasms Study (UKISS) Comparing Hormone Treatment With Vigabatrin on Developmental and Epilepsy Outcomes to Age 14 Months: A Multicentre Randomised Trial
4. New Guidelines for Prevention of Infective Endocarditis
College of Physicians: 7
1. Hydralazine for Treatment of Severe Hypertension in Pregnancy: Meta-Analysis
2. Development of Autoantibodies before the Clinical Onset of Systemic Lupus Erythematosus
3. Guidelines for the Management of Pemphigus Vulgaris
4. The Role of Capsular Distention in Adhesive Capsulities
5. Essential Tremor - The Most Common Movement Disorder in Older People
7. Radionuclide Therapy of Hepatocellular Carcinoma

College of Obstetricians and Gynaecologists: 2
1. Complications Associated With The Tension-Free Vaginal Tape Procedure: The Korean Experience
2. The Use and Abuse of Steroids in Perinatal Medicine

College of Radiologists: 7
1. Evaluation of the Patient with Flank Pain and Possible Ureteral Calculus
2. Cortical Lesions of the Tibia: Characteristic Appearances at Conventional Radiography
3. CT and MR Imaging of Benign Hepatic and Biliary Tumors
4. Endovascular Treatment of Extracranial Carotid Artery Stenosis: Update on Carotid Angioplasty and Stenting
5. Radiologic Staging of Ovarian Carcinoma with Pathologic Correlation
6. Diagnostic Performance of Digital versus Film Mammography for Breast-Cancer Screening
7. Imaging-Based Nodal Classification for Evaluation of Neck Metastatic Adenopathy

College of Surgeons: 2
1. Achieving a Zero Percent Reoperation Rate at 3 Years in a 50-Consecutive-Case Augmentation Mammaplasty Premarket Approval Study
2. Blepharoplasty

The Annals: 6
1. Accuracy of Various Iron Parameters in the Prediction of Iron Deficiency in an Acute Care Hospital
2. Review of Children Hospitalised for Ingestion and Poisoning at a Tertiary Centre
3. Locally Advanced and Metastatic Breast Cancer in a Tertiary Hospital
4. Clinical Characteristics of Patients with Multiple System Atrophy in Singapore
5. Relationship Between Item Difficulty and Discrimination Indices in True/False-Type Multiple Choice Questions of a Para-clinical Multidisciplinary Paper
The JCST Secretariat organises and coordinates several projects every year, such as ‘Meet-the-Trainees’ sessions, exit exams in all specialties/subspecialties, STC meetings, basic and advanced trainee intake exercises, accreditation visits, etc. JCST currently serves 35 STCs, of which its main aim is to provide a high quality of administrative and secretariat support to them in organising such events as those mentioned above. Recently, JCST had also been called upon by MOH to assist in the organisation of several other training initiatives such as information sessions for selected specialties, the promotion of the MOH training scholarship, and the promotion of more initiatives for research training such as the MOH research scholarship. JCST also currently assists in providing administrative support to the MOH Research Committee.

In addition, there has also been the introduction of a number of new subspecialties for subspecialist training in the following fields: Sports Medicine, Intensive Care Medicine, Neonatology, Palliative Medicine, and Aesthetic Medicine. Some of these new programmes have commenced, while some are still in the formative stages.

Because of the JCST’s new and expanded portfolio, it eventually outgrew its current premises at DGMS NUS, and in October 2007, a second office was opened at the AMS office at Runme Shaw Building. Its staff strength stands at 15. This number is likely to increase in 2008 as the JCST’s job scope continues to expand. With the new subspecialties on board, its total number of STCs and SSTCs now stands at 39.

The JCST is also currently tending to the training needs of around 1000 current trainees (BSTs and ASTs). This number looks set to increase as the need to train more doctors to meet the national needs continues to take greater significance in years to come.

The staff of JCST (with the exception of a Manager) are employed by the Academy and are supervised by two JCST Managers who report to the two Co-Chairmen. The Academy provides support services to JCST mainly in the areas related to human resource and finance. Staff compensation and benefits as well as financial accounting and reporting are administered through the Academy. The Academy also charges a nominal fee to JCST for such services rendered.
REPRESENTATION AT ANNUAL MEETINGS OF FRATERNAL COLLEGES

Master Ho Lai Yun stepped up efforts in maintaining cordial and fruitful relationships with overseas fraternal colleges through the participation of their international events. The overseas College Presidents and representatives had rendered their full support at the Academy’s 41st Singapore-Malaysia Congress of Medicine. The following trips were made by the Master in 2007 in the spirit of reciprocity, continuous learning and relationship building while at the same time having the Academy represented at the annual meetings of fraternal colleges.

American College of Physicians, Internal Medicine 2007, 19 to 21 Apr 2007, San Diego
Internal Medicine 2007 was a premier scientific meeting for internal medicine. Master Ho Lai Yun was among a distinguished list of current ACP officers, ACP Leadership Guests, Honorary Fellows, Special Representatives, International Fellowship Exchange Program Awardees, International ACP Governors and Subcommittee Members for ‘A Discussion of International Internal Medicine Issues’.

The Royal College of Physicians of Thailand, 23rd Annual Scientific Meeting, 21 to 25 Apr 2007, Bangkok
On the way back from San Diego, Master Ho Lai Yun spent a day with RCPT to support its Initiation Ceremony for Fellowship held in conjunction with its 23rd Annual Scientific Meeting.

Royal Australian College of Physicians, RACP 2007 Congress, 6 to 10 May 2007, Melbourne
Master Ho Lai Yun attended various dinner functions specially organised for guests of the congress, the College ceremony as well as the President’s breakfast meeting on the broad theme around ‘Internationalisation of Physician Training’.

REPRESENTATION IN MINISTRY OF HEALTH & RELATED ORGANISATIONS

Joint Committee on Specialist Training (JCST)
Master Ho Lai Yun is a co-chairman of JCST, being appointed in his capacity as the Master of the Academy.

Selection Panel for Medical Excellence Awards
The Medical Excellence Awards are national-level awards for outstanding clinicians, clinician scientists and clinician mentors approved by the MOH. The Minister for Health is the Patron of these prestigious awards. The Panel is chaired by the Director of Medical Services. The awards are administered by the National Medical Research Council (NMRC) with the secretariat jointly made up of the NMRC, National Healthcare Group, SingHealth, National University of Singapore and Duke Graduate Medical School. Master Ho Lai Yun is a member of the selection panel which comprises representatives from the health clusters, A*STAR, academia and NMRC.

Exco Committee of National Resuscitation Council (NRC)
The NRC was set up in 1998 to accredit and certify CPR training centres and to formulate a uniform approach and programme for resuscitation in Singapore. A/Prof Chen Fun Gee was re-appointed by the Academy of Medicine, Singapore to the Exco Committee of NRC for another three years from 1 January 2007 to 31 December 2009.
COMMITTEES
The terms of reference of the following Standing Committees were reviewed with the objectives of driving key initiatives and spearheading strategic issues of the Academy. These committees will be constituted with members appointed in 2008.

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| Standing Committee on Postgraduate Education | • Non-specialist Diploma Courses  
  • Staff Registrar Diploma Courses  
  • Register of Staff Registrars |
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| Standing Committee on Professional Congress Organisation | • Setting the policies, procedures and business direction in professional congress organisation  
  • Revamping the organisation of the biennial congresses of AMS  
  • Providing services for annual scientific meetings and regional/international medical congresses  
  • Providing services for public seminars and forums  
  • Overseeing applications for travel assistance  
  • Ensuring financial profitability of the division |
| Standing Committee on Professional Affairs | • Setting the policies and procedures for professional affair matters  
  • Provision of advice on clinical practice guidelines  
  • Advice to medical professional bodies on new technologies and the development of specialties and subspecialties  
  • Recommendations to MOH on the associated policies and procedures governing the adoption of new technologies and the practice of new specialties and subspecialties  
  • Generation and dissemination of information and knowledge to the public on matters related to health  
  • Independent medical expert reports  
  • Verification of foreign visiting experts |
| Editorial Board | • Setting the policies and procedures for publication matters  
  • Publication of the Annals, AMS News and any other publications of the AMS  
  • Ensuring financial profitability of the division |
Report of the Ad-Hoc Committee on Postgraduate Specialists Training and Examination (CPSTE) of the Academy of Medicine, Singapore (AMS)

At a meeting of the Specialist Accreditation Board (SAB) in March 2007, Chairman of SAB Prof K Satku mooted an idea of increasing the role of AMS in postgraduate examination and training. It was agreed for AMS, Division of Graduate Medical Studies (DGMS) of the Yong Loo Ling School of Medicine and SAB to set up a national professional group and take charge of specialists’ assessment and certification. It was further agreed that AMS shall take the lead in this initiative and MOH shall provide the necessary funding and support. AMS formed the CPSTE in April 2007. The Committee comprised the following members:

Chairman
Chew Chin Hin (AMS Past Master)

Deputy Chairman
Chee Yam Cheng (AMS Past Master, Senior Consultant, DMS Office, MOH)

Members
Raj Nambiar (AMS Past Master, President SMC)
Lee Eng Hin (Director, DGMS)
Lau Hong Choon (Director, MOH – Manpower Standards and Development)
Ho Lai Yun (AMS Master)
Fock Kwong Ming (AMS Assistant Master)
Lim Shih Hui (AMS Scribe)
Chan Yew Weng (AMS Council Member)

The Terms of Reference of CPSTE were as follow:

1. To review and define the role of the Academy of Medicine, Singapore in postgraduate specialists training in Singapore from a national perspective.

2. To explore the feasibility, practicality, and sustainability of the Academy and the respective Colleges in conducting postgraduate training appraisals and examinations, leading to the awards of diplomas and other postgraduate qualifications; independently or in collaboration with the Division of Graduate Medical Studies, NUS, and the various local institutions and overseas Colleges.

3. To review the relationships between the Colleges/Chapters of the Academy and the Specialists Training Committees (STC) under the JCST.

4. To establish FAMS as the exit qualification of specialists in Singapore.

5. To establish a Master plan for the Academy in achieving the Academy’s goal in conducting postgraduate specialist training and examinations in Singapore and for the region.

6. To advise the Ministry of Health the supports and resources required by the Academy in achieving the above goals. A report to the Ministry of Health is expected in three to four months.

CPSTE reviewed the current system of training and assessment of specialists and recommended that the current “FAMS Exit Examination” will continue to be the final summative assessment for trainees across most of the 35 specialties and the 4 subspecialties. The Committee proposed a change of name of this Exit Examination to “FAMS Certification Examination”. The Examination shall be more competency-based, to be conducted by a Postgraduate Examination Board (PGB) and respective Specialty Examination Boards (SEBs). The current Master of Medicine Examination conducted by DGMS will become the intermediate summative assessment for relevant specialties. Training will continue to be under the charge of the JCST and the respective STCs which will conduct the formative assessment. The proposed PGB will standardise the format for the FAMS Certification Examination, monitor the standard of Examination and Examiners, and to implement a program to train the trainers, assessors and examiners.

SAB is currently considering the Committee proposal and will make a decision in 2008.
SUPPORT GIVEN TO / RECEIVED FROM EXTERNAL ORGANISATIONS

Continuing Medical Education organised with the Support of Education Grant from Pharmaceutical Companies.
Academy of Medicine, Singapore organised a CME entitled ‘From Epidemiology to the Full Spectrum Treatment of Alzheimer’s Diseases’ on 8th October 2007 at Goodwood Park Hotel. This CME is organised with the support through an educational grant by Eisai (Singapore) Pte Ltd.

Nominal Sponsorships
The Academy approved the nominal sponsorship of the following events.

2007
1. International Society for Biological Environmental Repositories 2007 Annual Meeting, 30 May 2007 to 2 June 2007, on International Biobanking Standards, organised by ISBER
2. 2nd Cardiology Update @ Singapore 2007, 6 to 7 October 2007, on latest advances in cardiovascular medicine, organised by the National Heart Centre

2008
1. Singapore Live 2008, 17th Annual Live Interventions in Vascular Endotherapy, 7 to 9 March 2008, organised by the National Heart Centre
4. 19th Asian Conference on Occupational Health, 17 to 19 September 2008, on Redefining Occupational Health in the Face of Globalisation, organised by Occupational and Environmental Health Society
5. 1st Asia-Pacific Heart Rhythm Society Scientific Session (APHRS2008), in conjunction with 4th Asia-Pacific Atrial Fibrillation Symposium (APASF2008), 27 to 29 November 2008, organised by Singapore Cardiac Society

Letters of Support
The Academy provided letters of support to various professional organisations to host the following events in Singapore.

1. 2011 – International Diabetes Federation World Congress. The event will attract the highest level of international expertise in diabetes, provide a platform for discussion of the latest scientific advances in the field, and offer practical information on diabetes care, advocacy and awareness. The request was received from the Singapore Tourism Board.
2. 2012 – World Congress of Cardiology. The main focus of the congress is the exchange of information on scientific and professional subjects, public education, public policy, and the advancement of such other functions of the World Heart Federation. The request was jointly received from the Singapore Heart Foundation and Singapore Cardiac Society.
3. 2016 – 16th World Congress of Anaesthesiologists. The request was received from the Singapore Society of Anaesthesiologists.
4. 2016 – International Conference on Alzheimer’s Disease and Related Disorders. The request was received from the Singapore Tourism Board.
2007-2008 Committee Members

Standing (left to right):  
Dr Ansgar Cheng (Vice-Chairman), Dr Rashid Tahir (Committee Member), Dr Neo Tee Khin (Committee Member)  

Seated (left to right):  
Dr Marianne Ong (Co-opted Member), Dr Andrew Aw (Chairman), Dr Christina Sim (Honorary Secretary)  

Not in picture:  
Dr Myra Elliott (Committee Member), A/Prof Varawan Sae-Lim (Co-opted Member), A/Prof Keson Tan (Co-opted Member)  

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The 27th Annual General Meeting of the Chapter of Dental Surgeons was held on Thursday, 26 April 2007, 6.00pm at the Lee Kong Chian Room, Academy of Medicine, Singapore, 142 Neil Road, Singapore 088871.

The following office-bearers for the year 2007-2008 were elected:

Chairman : Dr Aw Kian-Li, Andrew  
Vice-Chairman : Dr Cheng Chi-Chung, Ansgar  
Honorary Secretary : Dr Sim Poh Choo, Christina  
Committee Members : Dr Myra Elliott  
 : Dr Neo Tee Khin  
 : Dr Rashid Tahir  
Co-opted Members : Dr Ong Meng Ann, Marianne  
 : A/Prof Varawan Sae-Lim  
 : A/Prof Tan Beng Choon, Keson
COMMITTEE MEETINGS

The Committee held 2 meetings during the year 2007. This was supplemented by active circulation and feedback on important issues via electronic mail, in which all committee members enthusiastically participated.

MEMBERSHIP

The total membership of the Chapter now stands at 228.

Induction Ceremonies

An Induction Ceremony was held jointly with the 41st Singapore-Malaysia Congress of Medicine.

The following dentists were inducted at the ceremony: Dr Chee Oon Lin Serene, Dr Goh Kwee Chien Benny, Dr Heng Jee Kuan, Dr Hwang Yee Cheau, Dr Intarasoot Potjanart, Dr Koh Chu Guan, Dr Lee Kong Fei Frank, Dr Lim Janee, Dr Lo Tong Soon, Dr Lui Jeen Nee, Dr Lye Kok Weng, Dr Ng Hsu Ching Lynette, Dr Phay Yew Ming, Dr Tan It Sing Audrey, Dr Tan Tiat Heng Edwin, Dr Tan Thong Kwan Benjamin, Dr Teh Yi Mui Marina, Dr Wong Hwei Pink Viepearly, Dr Wong Wai Yee, Dr Yeo Boon Keng Alvin, Dr Yong Than Fui, Lawrence.

A second Induction Ceremony was held on Monday, 29 October 2007 at Grand Copthorne Waterfront Hotel.

Dr Leong Woei Jian Elvin, Dr Lim Chong Yang Arthur, Dr Tan Ben Poon Danny, Dr Tay Yen Yee Juliet and Dr Long Benjamin Charles were inducted at the ceremony.

The Chapter would like to take the opportunity to welcome all new Fellows.

ACTIVITIES

41st Singapore-Malaysia Congress of Medicine

Dr Ansgar Cheng and Dr Victor Fan served as members of the 41st SMCM organising committee. The Chapter organised the following CPE activity in conjunction with the Singapore-Malaysia Congress of Medicine:

22 July 2007 (Sunday)

Dental Symposium

- Facial Aesthetic Medicine in Oral & Maxillofacial Surgery
- Implant Dentistry: Current State-of-the-Art and Future Directions Part I

Dr Edward Hui
Specialist in Oral & Maxillofacial Surgery (Private Practice), Hong Kong

Chairperson: Dr Chan Siew Luen

- Building a World Class Dental Implant Practice
- Implant Dentistry: Current State-of-the-Art and Future Directions Part II – Digital Solutions in Implant Dentistry

Dr James Chow
Specialist in Oral & Maxillofacial Surgery (Private Practice), Hong Kong

Chairperson: Dr Chan Siew Luen

Visiting Academician Lectureship

The Chapter jointly co-hosted a lecture by Assoc Prof Jens Ove Andreasen with the Department of Restorative Dentistry, National University of Singapore on Tuesday, 23 January 2007. Prof Andreasen is affiliated with Department of Oral and Maxillo-Facial Surgery, University Hospital (Rigshospitalet) in Copenhagen, Denmark. He is recognised as the Father of Dental Traumatology. He delivered his lecture titled “Implants and Transplant Use After Tooth Loss”. It was very well attended with over a hundred participants.

COLLEGE FORMATION

The Chapter’s conversion to a independent College under the Academy’s overarching umbrella is in its final stages of submission, having obtained all the necessary approvals.
TABLE OF SURGICAL PROCEDURES

The Chapter formed a committee comprising the Chairpersons of the Specialty Boards of Endodontics, Oral & Maxillofacial Surgery, Paediatric Dentistry and Periodontics and the MOH Advisory Committee on Medisave-Approved Dental Procedures, to review all procedures relevant to Dentistry. The committee was led by Dr Chan Siew Luen.

Representatives from the following dental institutions – Alexandra Hospital, National Dental Centre and National University of Singapore were also invited to be on the committee.

The committee set to work on the top 15 codes in the top 300. The work involved detailed description of the existing codes to give a clear indication of the intent of the respective codes and to re-assess the table level.

Feedback was obtained from the Singapore Dental Association, College of General Dental Practitioners, Fellows and Ordinary Members.

ACCREDITATION OF ORAL & MAXILLOFACIAL SURGERY SPECIALTY TRAINING CENTRE

The committee consists of representatives from Chapter of Dental Surgeons, Division of Graduate Dental Studies, National University of Singapore, National Dental Centre and Association of Oral & Maxillofacial Surgery Surgeons (Singapore). A/Prof Yeo Jin Fei chaired the committee.

The committee worked on the accreditation criteria for an Oral & Maxillofacial Surgery (OMS) training centre and defined the scope of OMS.

EXIT ASSESSMENT PROTOCOL COMMITTEE

The committee reviewed the exit assessment criteria and defined the proper structure and processes for exit certification. The committee was led by Dr Andrew Aw.

Exit certification criteria were drawn out for six specialties, namely Endodontics, Oral & Maxillofacial Surgery, Orthodontics, Paediatric Dentistry, Periodontics and Prosthodontics.

NEWSLETTER

The Chapter’s sixth issue Newsletter was circulated to all Fellows and Ordinary Members of the Chapter, featuring the latest updates on Chapter matters and other announcements. The Chapter welcomes feedback to improve the newsletter.

APPRECIATION

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

December 2007
Dr Christina Sim
Honorary Secretary
2007-2008 Chapter of Dental Surgeons
2007-2008 Committee Members

Standing (Left to Right):
Dr Mark K F Leong (Committee Member) and Dr Mohan Tiruchittampalam (Committee Member)

Seated (Left to Right):
Clin A/Prof Shirley B S Ooi (Committee Member), Prof Venkataraman Anantharaman (Chairman) and Dr Goh Siang Hiong (Honorary Secretary)

Absent:
A/Prof Eillyne Seow (Vice-Chairperson)

INAUGURAL PROTEM MEETING

The Inaugural Pro Tem Meeting of the Chapter of Emergency Physicians took place on 20 July 2006 at the Lee Kong Chian Room, Basement, Main Office, Academy of Medicine, Singapore, 142 Neil Road, Runme Shaw Building, Singapore 088871.

The following office-bearers of the Pro Tem Committee (20 July 2006 to 13 November 2007) were elected:

Chairman : Prof Venkataraman Anantharaman
Vice-Chairperson : A/Prof Eillyne Seow
Honorary Secretary : Dr Goh Siang Hiong
Committee Members : Dr Francis Y C Lee
A/Prof Shirley B S Ooi
Dr Evelyn Wong
CHAPTER OF EMERGENCY PHYSICIANS

PROTEM COMMITTEE MEETINGS

The Pro Tem Committee held 5 meetings for the period 20 July 2006 to 13 November 2007.

MEMBERSHIP

The total membership of the Chapter as at 31 December 2007 stands at 39.

ACTIVITIES

1. Forum on Clinical Trials Regulations in Emergency Situations

The Chapter of Emergency Physicians organised a Forum on Clinical Trials Regulations in Emergency Situations. It was held on Thursday, 18 January 2007, 5.00 pm to 6.30 pm at the Lecture Theatre, Block 6, Level 9, Singapore General Hospital. The programme comprised of 2 lectures. Dr Lisa Tan of the Clinical Trials Branch Centre for Drug Administration, Health Sciences Authority, Singapore spoke on “Current Clinical Trials Regulations Regarding Emergency Situations”. The second speaker Prof Ian G. Steill, Professor & Head, Department of Emergency Medicine, University of Ottawa, Canada, spoke on “Clinical Trials in Emergency Situations in Canada”. A panel discussion took place with the participation of the Health Sciences Authority, Singapore, local representatives of hospital Institution Review Boards & the Chapter of Emergency Physicians, Academy of Medicine, Singapore. Prof V. Anantharaman chaired the panel discussion.

2. Half-day Symposia, 22nd July 2007 –
41st Singapore-Malaysia Congress of Medicine,
19 – 22 July 2007

The Chapter of Emergency Physicians organised a half-day symposia on 22 July 2007. It was held in conjunction with the 41st Singapore-Malaysia Congress of Medicine hosted by the Academy of Medicine, Singapore from the 19 to 22 July 2007, Level 4, Raffles City Convention Centre, Singapore. The Symposium on Evidence Based Medicine was held from 1.00 pm to 3.20 pm in the same congress venue at the Olivia Room. The following topics were covered:

- How Evidence Based Medicine Has Changed Our Practices – A/Prof Shirley B S Ooi, Chief & Senior Consultant, Emergency Medicine Department, National University Hospital.
- The New ACLS Guidelines: The Science Behind the Changes – A/Prof Lim Swee Han, Head, Department of Emergency Medicine, Singapore General Hospital.
- Clinical Decision Rules Based on Evidence – Dr Marcus E H Ong, Consultant, Department of Emergency Medicine, Singapore General Hospital.
- Disaster Management Based on Evidence – Dr Mark K F Leong, Deputy Head, & Senior Consultant, Department of Emergency Medicine, Singapore General Hospital.

Prof V. Anantharaman was the Symposium Chairperson. The meeting was well-attended with 41 registrants.

The 2nd Symposium on Geriatric Emergency Medicine was held from 3.45 pm to 6.05 pm in the Olivia Room. The following topics were covered:

- Injury Prevention in the Elderly – Dr Lee Sock Koon, Associate Consultant, Emergency Medicine Department, National University Hospital.
- Toxicology in the Elderly – Dr Gregory Cham, Consultant, Emergency Department, Tan Tock Seng Hospital.
- Old Age Emergency Medicine, the New Age Specialty: Delivering Care in the Community – Dr Dilip P Menon, Consultant, Department of Emergency Medicine, Wrexham-Maelor Hospital, UK.

Dr Chan Kim Chai was the Symposium Chairperson. The meeting was well-attended with 21 registrants.
3. Diploma in Emergency Medicine

The Chapter of Emergency Physicians is the main organiser of the Diploma in Emergency Medicine. This programme supports the Staff Registrar Scheme of the Ministry of Health, Singapore. The duration of the course is for 2 years from 12 April 2007 to 2 April 2009. The Programme Director is A/Prof Tham Kum Ying, Senior Consultant/Emergency Department & Associate Dean/Director, Clinical Training, Tan Tock Seng Hospital. The 2007 first intake has a total of 11 candidates. The syllabus comprises of 24 modules planned over 4 semesters of lectures/tutorials/seminars & practicum/hands-on workshop. Candidates (from overseas non-traditional source universities) who hold a temporary/conditional/full registration license with the Singapore Medical Council, & have at least 1 year’s clinical working experience in the Emergency Department (at the time of enrolment), are nominated by their respective Head/Chief of Department with endorsement from the Institution/Hospital Human Resource Department, to enrol for the course. The Chapter imposes a supplementary fee to enrolled candidates & the Academy imposes annual fees to the candidate’s sponsoring institution. A candidate who has successfully completed the course & obtained a pass for his/her final grade will be conferred the Diploma in Emergency Medicine by the Academy of Medicine, Singapore. The course will run its second intake from April 2008 to April 2010.

INAUGURAL GENERAL MEETING

The Inaugural General Meeting of the Chapter of Emergency Physicians was held on 13 November 2007 at the Tutorial Room, Department of Emergency Medicine, Block 1, Rooftop Level, Singapore General Hospital.

The following office-bearers of the 2007 – 2008 Executive Committee were elected:

Chairperson : Prof Venkataraman Anantharaman
Vice-Chairperson : A/Prof Eillyne Seow
Honorary Secretary : Dr Goh Siang Hiong
Committee Members: Dr Mark K F Leong
A/Prof Shirley B S Ooi
Dr Mohan Tiruchittampalam

ACTIVITIES

1. Continuing Medical Education (CME)
1.1 The Chapter organised the following lecture:

10 December 2007
Emergency Medicine & Public Health
Dr Gautam G. Bodiwala
President, International Federation for Emergency Medicine;
International Coordinator, College of Emergency Medicine (UK);
Former Head, Emergency Department, Leicester Royal Infirmary,
University Hospitals of Leicester, NHS Trust, UK

Chairperson: Prof V. Anantharaman

APPRECIATION

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

December 2007
Dr Goh Siang Hiong
Honorary Secretary
2007-2008 Chapter of Emergency Physicians
21ST ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The 21st Annual General Meeting of the Chapter of Pathologists was held on 13 July 2007 in the Library Room, Level 3, #03-16, Department of Pathology, Singapore General Hospital, Outram Road, Singapore 169608.

The following office-bearers for the year 2007 – 2008 were elected:

Chairperson: Dr Tan Ai Ling
Vice-Chairperson: Dr Jacqueline S G Hwang
Honorary Secretary: Dr Cuthbert E S Teo
Committee Members: A/Prof Tan Puay Hoon
                                 Dr Yeo Chin Pin
Co-opted Member: Dr Ponnudurai Kuperan

MEMBERSHIP

The total membership of the Chapter as at 31 December 2007 stands at 60.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS

The Committee held four meetings during the year 2007.

ACTIVITIES

1. Continuing Medical Education (CME).

1.1 The Chapter co-organised the following lecture with KKH Laboratory (main organiser) & the Obstetrical & Gynaecological Society of Singapore (nominal sponsor):

28th May 2007
Recent Developments in Gynaecological Pathology

i) Endometrial Cancer – Update for the Gynaecologist
Professor Jaime Prat
Professor & Chairman, Department of Pathology
Hospital de la Santa Creu I Sant Pau
Autonomous University of Barcelona, Spain

Chairperson: Dr Chew Sung Hock

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

26 October 2007
Apoptosis is the cause of so-called caseous necrosis in mycobacterial granulomas – implications for therapy
Prof Anthony S-Y Leong
Medical Director of Hunter Area Pathology Service &
Head of the Discipline of Anatomical Pathology
University of Newcastle, New South Wales, Australia

Chairperson: Dr Tan Soo Yong

1.3 The Chapter was a nominal sponsor at the following event organised by the Society for Colposcopy and Cervical Pathology of Singapore:

4 March 2007
12th Annual Colposcopy Course & 13th Annual Oration
Teaching Faculty: Prof Ian Hammond (Key Note Speaker & Annual Orator/Australia); Prof R Rajakumar (India); Prof Ho Tew Hong & Drs Lee I Wuen, Joseph Ng, Quek Swee Chong, Yvonne Soong, Shymala Thilagaratnam, Adeline Wong & Lisa Wong.

1.4 The Chapter co-organised the following Microbiology Tutorial Sessions (CD-recorded Audio-Conference Sessions) with the Singapore Society of Pathology & the Department of Pathology, Singapore General Hospital:

2 April 2007
The 2006 Mumps Outbreak Including Laboratory Testing
Dr Matthew Zahn
Medical Director of Louisville Metro Health Department & Assistant Professor, Department of Pediatrics, Division of Infectious Disease, Kosair Children’s Hospital, Louisville, Kentucky, USA

Moderator: Dr Chan Kwai Peng

16 April 2007
Microbiology Laboratory Biosafety
Dr Gerald A Denys, PhD, D (ABMM)
Director of Microbiology Services
Burleson Research Technologies, Morrisville, North Carolina, USA

Moderator: Dr Lynette L E Oon
The Chapter co-organised the following Slide Update Session with the Singapore Society of Pathology, Singapore Society of Haematology & the Chapter of Haematologists, College of Physicians, Singapore:

**9 February 2007**

**Haematopathology Slide Seminar**

- **Singapore General Hospital**
  1) Dr Tien Sim Leng  
  Senior Consultant  
  Department of Haematology
  2) Dr Ho Liam Pock  
  Consultant  
  Department of Pathology

- **National University Hospital**
  3) Dr Liu Te Chih  
  Senior Consultant-Head  
  Division of Haematology
  4) Dr Michelle L M Poon  
  Registrar  
  Department of Haematology/Oncology

- **Tan Tock Seng Hospital - Department of Pathology & Laboratory Medicine**
  5) Dr Ponnudurai Kuperan  
  Senior Consultant
  6) Dr Chiam Yau Yung  
  Registrar

Chairperson: Dr Ponnudurai Kuperan

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The Chapter co-organised the following Slide Update Session with the Singapore Society of Pathology, Singapore Society of Haematology & the Chapter of Haematologists, College of Physicians, Singapore:

**9 February 2007**

**Haematopathology Slide Seminar**

- **Singapore General Hospital**
  1) Dr Tien Sim Leng  
  Senior Consultant  
  Department of Haematology
  2) Dr Ho Liam Pock  
  Consultant  
  Department of Pathology

- **National University Hospital**
  3) Dr Liu Te Chih  
  Senior Consultant-Head  
  Division of Haematology
  4) Dr Michelle L M Poon  
  Registrar  
  Department of Haematology/Oncology

- **Tan Tock Seng Hospital - Department of Pathology & Laboratory Medicine**
  5) Dr Ponnudurai Kuperan  
  Senior Consultant
  6) Dr Chiam Yaw Yung  
  Registrar

Chairperson: Dr Ponnudurai Kuperan
2. 5th Asia-Pacific International Academy of Pathology Congress, 27-31 May 2007

501 delegates from 22 different countries attended the 5th Asia-Pacific International Academy of Pathology Congress held from the 27 to 31 May 2007 at the Raffles City Convention Centre, Singapore. The Chapter of Pathologists was the main organiser.

3. 18th Annual Scientific Meeting, 21 July 2007

The 18th Annual Scientific Meeting of the Chapter of Pathologists & the Singapore Society of Pathology had a good attendance of 25 persons, for its 2 Symposia on “Malignant Lymphoma – Diagnostic Difficulties/ Pitfalls” and “Microbiology Update” held on 21 July 2007 in the VIPB Room, Level 4, Raffles City Convention Centre, Singapore. A Free Paper/Best Paper Award took place at the meeting. Three papers were presented: 1 from the Health Sciences Authority & 2 from the Singapore General Hospital. The panel of judges comprised of Drs Timothy Barkham (President, Singapore Society of Pathology), Stewart Bryant (2007 President, Royal College of Pathologists of Australasia) & Yap Wai Ming (Senior Consultant, Department of Pathology & Laboratory Medicine/ Tan Tock Seng Hospital, Singapore). The winner was Dr Deepak Rama Narayana, from the Department of Pathology, Singapore General Hospital. He spoke on “Plasmid-mediated Quinolone Resistance Determinants in Urinary Isolates of Escherichia coli and Klebsiella pneumoniae in a Large Singapore Hospital”. He received a prize money of S$500 sponsored by the Singapore Society of Pathology.

4. 5th Asian Breast Disease Association – Breast Screen Singapore Update Conference, 16-18 November 2007

300 delegates from 19 different countries attended the 5th Asian Breast Disease Association–Breast Screen Singapore Update Conference, which was held from the 16 to 18 November 2007 at the Orchard Hotel, Singapore. The Asian Breast Disease Association & Breast Screen Singapore were co-organisers of this conference. The Chapter of Pathologists was a nominal sponsor.

STAKEHOLDER CONSULTATION – DRAFT CORONER’S BILL

The Ministry of Health, Singapore had written in to the Academy of Medicine, Singapore on 29th October 2007 seeking its views on the draft Coroner’s bill. The request was made by the Ministry of Law, Singapore. The Chapter gave its views to the Professional Affairs Division, AMS. The feedback report was submitted to the Legal Branch/Operations Group, Ministry of Health, Singapore for its consideration.

APPRECIATION

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

December 2007
Dr Cuthbert E S Teo
Honorary Secretary
2007-2008 Chapter of Pathologists
2007-2008 Committee Members

Standing (Left to Right):
A/Prof Leslie E C Lim (Honorary Secretary), Dr Calvin S L Fones (Vice-Chairman) and Dr Ng Beng Yeong (Co-opted Member)

Seated (Left to Right):
Dr Yap Hwa Ling (Chairperson) and Dr Angelina O M Chan (Co-opted Member)

Absent:
A/Prof Chong Siow Ann (Co-opted Member), A/Prof Rathi Mahendran (Co-opted Member),
A/Prof Ong Thiew Chai (Committee Member), Dr Parvathy d/o Pathy (Co-opted Member) and
Dr R M Winslow (Committee Member)
CHAPTER OF PSYCHIATRISTS

21ST ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The 21st Annual General Meeting of the Chapter of Psychiatrists was held on 18 April 2007 in Van Gogh, Level 3, Negara on Claymore Hotel, 10 Claymore Road, Singapore 229540.

The following office-bearers for the year 2007 – 2008 were elected:

Chairperson : Dr Yap Hwa Ling
Vice-Chairperson : Dr Calvin S L Fones
Honorary Secretary : A/Prof Leslie E C Lim
Committee Members : A/Prof Ong Thiew Chai
                   Dr R M Winslow
Co-opted Members : Dr Angelina O M Chan
                   A/Prof Chong Siow Ann
                   Dr Ng Beng Yeong
                   Dr Parvathy d/o Pathy

MEMBERSHIP

The total membership of the Chapter as at 31 December 2007 stands at 87.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS

The Committee held 4 meetings during the year 2007.

ACTIVITIES

1. Continuing Medical Education (CME)

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

6 March 2007
Sleep Disorders
Dr Ng Beng Yeong
Head & Senior Consultant
Department of Psychiatry
Singapore General Hospital
Chairperson: Dr Brian K L Yeo

10 April 2007
Updates on Dementia
Dr Ng Li-Ling
Senior Consultant
Division of Psychological Medicine
Changi General Hospital
Chairperson: Dr Paul W Ngui

15 May 2007
Updates on the EPIP Program
A/Prof Chong Siow Ann
Senior Consultant & Chief
Department of Early Psychosis Intervention & Director of Research,
Institute of Mental Health
Chairperson: Dr Tay Liam Kai

7 June 2007
Psycho-analytical Psychotherapy
Dr George Fernandez
Consultant
Department of General Psychiatry
Institute of Mental Health
Chairperson: Dr Douglas S G Kong

3 July 2007
COPES Programme for Schools
Dr Daniel S S Fung
Senior Consultant & Chief
Department of Child & Adolescent Psychiatry
Institute of Mental Health/Woodbridge Hospital
Chairperson: Dr Tan Chue Tin

14 August 2007
Updates on ADHD in Children & Adult
Dr Lionel C C Lim
Consultant Psychiatrist
Mount Elizabeth Medical Centre
Chairperson: Dr Phuah Huan Kee

12 September 2007
3rd Wave of the Behavioural Therapies: Mindfulness-Based CBT (MCBT) & AC T Acceptance & Commitment Therapy)
Dr Low Bee Lee
Consultant Psychiatrist
Mount Elizabeth Medical Centre
Chairperson: Dr Ang Yong Guan

2 October 2007
Clinical Hypnosis
A/Prof Ong Thiew Chai
Senior Consultant
Department of Psychological Medicine
Tan Tock Seng Hospital
Chairperson: Dr Brian K L Yeo
1.2 The Chapter co-organised the following lecture with the Department of Psychiatry, Singapore General Hospital:

6 November 2007
Depression in Later Life: The Potential of Community Wide Prevention
Prof Sube Banerjee
Professor of Mental Health & Ageing
Section of Mental Health & Ageing,
PO26 Health Services Research Department
Institute of Psychiatry, King’s College London
University of London, England, United Kingdom

Chairperson: Dr Ng Beng Yeong

2 Quarterly Professional Lectures 2007

The following Professional Lectures were organised:

2.1 29 January 2007 (Co-organised with the Department of Psychiatry, Singapore General Hospital)
1st Professional Lecture – Why Can’t There Be A Universal Code of Ethics in Psychiatry?
Dr Michael Robertson (FRANZCP)
Director of Psychiatry, Royal Prince Alfred Hospital & Sydney South West Area Health Service (Eastern Sector) & Clinical Lecturer, Psychological Medicine, The University of Sydney, New South Wales, Australia

Chairperson: Dr Yap Hwa Ling

2.2 18 April 2007 (Chapter was the main organiser)
2nd Professional Lecture – One Stone Many Birds
Dr Chee Kuan Tsee
Emeritus Consultant
Department of General Psychiatry II, Institute of Mental Health/Woodbridge Hospital, Singapore

Chairperson: Dr Ng Beng Yeong

2.3 13 June 2007 (Co-organised with the Mental Wellness Service, Division of Medicine, KK Women’s & Children’s Hospital)
3rd Professional Lecture – Perinatal Psychiatry: A Perspective of Women’s Mental Health
Dr Margaret Oates
Consultant Perinatal Psychiatrist, Queen’s Medical Centre & Honorary Senior Lecturer, The University of Nottingham, Nottingham, England, United Kingdom

Chairperson: Dr Calvin S L Fones

2.4 25 July 2007 (Chapter was the main organiser)
4th Professional Lecture – The Madwoman in the Attic: The Role of Literature in Medical & Psychiatric Education
Prof Femi Oyebode
Head of Department of Psychiatry, University of Nottingham & Consultant Psychiatrist, Queen Elizabeth Psychiatric Hospital, Birmingham, England, United Kingdom

Chairperson: A/Prof Leslie E C Lim


The Chapter of Psychiatrists organised a Plenary Lecture on 22 July 2007 in conjunction with the 41st Singapore-Malaysia Congress of Medicine, hosted by the Academy of Medicine, Singapore from the 19 to 22 July 2007, Level 4, Raffles City Convention Centre, Singapore. The lecture was held from 1.00 pm to 1.45 pm in the same congress venue at the Sophia Room. The invited speaker was Prof K Ranga Krishnan, Professor & Chairman, Department of Psychiatry, Duke University Medical Center, Durham, North Carolina, USA & Executive Vice-Dean for Clinical Research, Duke-NUS Graduate Medical School Singapore. He delivered a lecture on “Mild Cognitive Impairment – An Update”. The Chairperson was Dr Yap Hwa Ling. The lecture was well-attended with 65 registrants.

ARTICULATION ON THE ROLE OF PSYCHOLOGISTS

The Allied Health Branch, Manpower Standards & Development Division, Ministry of Health, Singapore had invited the Chapter to articulate on the Role of Psychologists & expected competencies for the healthcare sector in Singapore. The Chapter submitted its views to MOH for their consideration.

COLLEGE OF PSYCHIATRISTS

The 2007 to 2008 Committee has decided not to form a College of Psychiatrists.
FEEDBACK ON THE DRAFT NEW MENTAL CAPACITY BILL

A Subcommittee of the Academy of Medicine, Singapore was formed to address the Feedback on the Draft New Mental Capacity Bill. Members from the Chapter of Psychiatrists who sat on this committee were: Dr Ng Beng Yeong (Subcommittee Chairman & Co-opted Member/2007-2008 Committee), Drs Kok Lee Peng, Stephen B C Phang & Yap Hwa Ling (Chairperson/2007-2008 Committee). The feedback was submitted by the Professional Affairs Division, AMS to the Elderly, Disability & Gambling Safeguard Division, Ministry of Community Development, Youth & Sports, Singapore for their consideration.

NATIONAL PROGRAM FOR MENTAL HEALTH: TEACHING COLLABORATION BETWEEN CAMBODIA & SINGAPORE

Dr Angelina O M Chan (Chapter’s Coordinator & Co-opted member/2007 – 2008 Committee) had reported that the National Program for Mental Health: Teaching Collaboration between Cambodia & Singapore received a good response. Training was provided for the following topics on Neuroanatomy & Neurotransmitters, Bipolar Disorder & Forensic Psychiatry to the Cambodian psychiatric residents/nurse trainees as well as CME for psychiatrists/nurses. The Chapter had sent in a letter of request (dated 13 September 2007) to obtain approval from the Academy of Medicine, Singapore in supporting the program for a further 2 years. The matter was approved by the Council at the Academy’s fifth meeting of 8 October 2007.

APPRECIATION

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

December 2007
A/Prof Leslie E C Lim
Honorary Secretary
2007-2008 Chapter of Psychiatrists
2007-2008 Committee Members

Seated, from left to right:
Dr Kenneth Choy (Vice-chairman), Dr Derrick Heng (Chairman), Dr Eugene Shum (Honorary Secretary)

Standing, from left to right:
Dr Lee Lay Tin (Committee Member), Dr Pwee Keng Ho (Committee Member), Dr Jeffery Cutter (Co-opted Member), Dr Raymond Chua (Committee Member), Dr Adeline Seow (Committee Member)

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The 26th Annual General Meeting of the Chapter of Public Health & Occupational Physicians was held on Wednesday, 25 April 2007 at 6.00pm at the Learning Corner, College of Medicine Building, 16 College Road, Singapore 169854.

The Office-bearers for the year 2007-2008 were elected as follows:

Chairman : Dr Derrick Heng
Vice-Chairman : Dr Kenneth Choy
Honorary Secretary : Dr Eugene Shum
Committee Members : Dr Lee Lay Tin
Dr Adeline Seow
Dr Pwee Keng Ho
Dr Raymond Chua
Co-opted Member : Dr Jeffrey Cutter
MEMBERSHIP

The membership of the Chapter stands at 103 (as of 31 December 2007).

NEW FELLOWS

The following Academicians were admitted to Fellowship of the Academy of Medicine, Singapore (Public Health and Occupational Physicians) for the year 2007:

Dr Teoh Yee Leong
Dr Wong Chiang Yin
Dr Chua Swee Boon Raymond

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

COMMITTEE MEETINGS


ACTIVITIES

41st Singapore-Malaysia Congress of Medicine (SMCM)

The Chapter held the following talks in conjunction with the 41st SMCM.

• Clinical Practice Guidelines: The Role of Professional Organisations in Clinical Practice Development
  Co-chairs: A/Prof Mabel Yap & Prof Dato’ A E Dellikan
  Speakers: Dr Sara Twaddle, Dr Sheamini Sivasampu
  Panelists: Dr Sara Twaddle, Dr Sheamini Sivasampu, Dr Pwee Keng Ho, A/Prof Lim Shih Hui, A/Prof Goh Lee Gan

• Globalisation of Healthcare: International Collaboration on Occupational Health & Safety
  Chairperson: Dr Ho Sweet Far
  Speaker: Dr Lee Hock Siang

• Evaluation of Health Promotion Programmes
  Chairperson: Dr Derrick Heng
  Speakers: A/Prof Wong Mee Lian, Dr Annie Ling

• New Focus in Occupational Medicine: Moving beyond Factories, Health Hazards in Hotels and Restaurants
  Chairperson: Dr Lee Lay Tin
  Speakers: Dr Lucy Leong, Dr Sylvia Teo

In addition, the Chapter co-organised the following symposium with the College of Physicians, Singapore.

• Infectious Diseases Symposium
  Co-chairs: Dr Lyn James & A/Prof Leo Yee Sin
  Speakers: Dr Ooi Eng Eon, Dr Jamal I-Ching Sam, Prof Trish Perl

Continuing Medical Education

The following Continuing Medical Education events were organised.

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

  5 January 2007
  Lost in Transition: Bridging the Chasm of Care Between the Hospital and the Community
  Dr Lee Kheng Hock
  Adjunct Assistant Professor
  Department of Community, Occupational and Family Medicine, Yong Loo Lin School of Medicine, National University of Singapore
  Chairperson: Adjunct Associate Professor Cheong Pak Yean

  15 January 2007
  The Framingham Study: Past, Present & Future
  Dr Guo Chao-Yu
  Research Assistant Professor at Boston University, USA
  Chairperson: Professor Chia Kee Seng

  19 January 2007
  Introduction to Outcomes Research
  Dr Suchin Virabhak
  Senior Outcomes Research Associate
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The Health Impact of Ambient Air Pollution in Singapore
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Drug Development Process: A Journey from Clinical Trial to Product Registration
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Social Epidemiology as a Tool for Research, Program Planning and Community Interventions in Public Health – Examples from Women’s Health
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Prevention of HIV in Rural China: Challenges and Pitfalls
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Mathematical Modelling of Dengue in Singapore
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Global Health and The Conduct of World wide Prevalence Surveys
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CLINICAL PRACTICE GUIDELINES

The Chapter provided feedback to the guidelines on “Management of Poisoning”. The guidelines were submitted to the Ministry of Health for the prioritisation exercise on Clinical Practice Guidelines Development.

DISTANCE-LEARNING PROGRAMME (DLP)

The Chapter of Public Health & Occupational Physicians submitted four DLP modules in year 2007. The modules are:

1. Prophylactic Human Papillomavirus Vaccines
2. Ergonomics, Musculoskeletal Disorders and Computer Work
3. Work Stress in the Etiology of Coronary Heart Disease - A Meta-analysis
4. Nanotechnology and the Occupational Physician: Occupational Medicine

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