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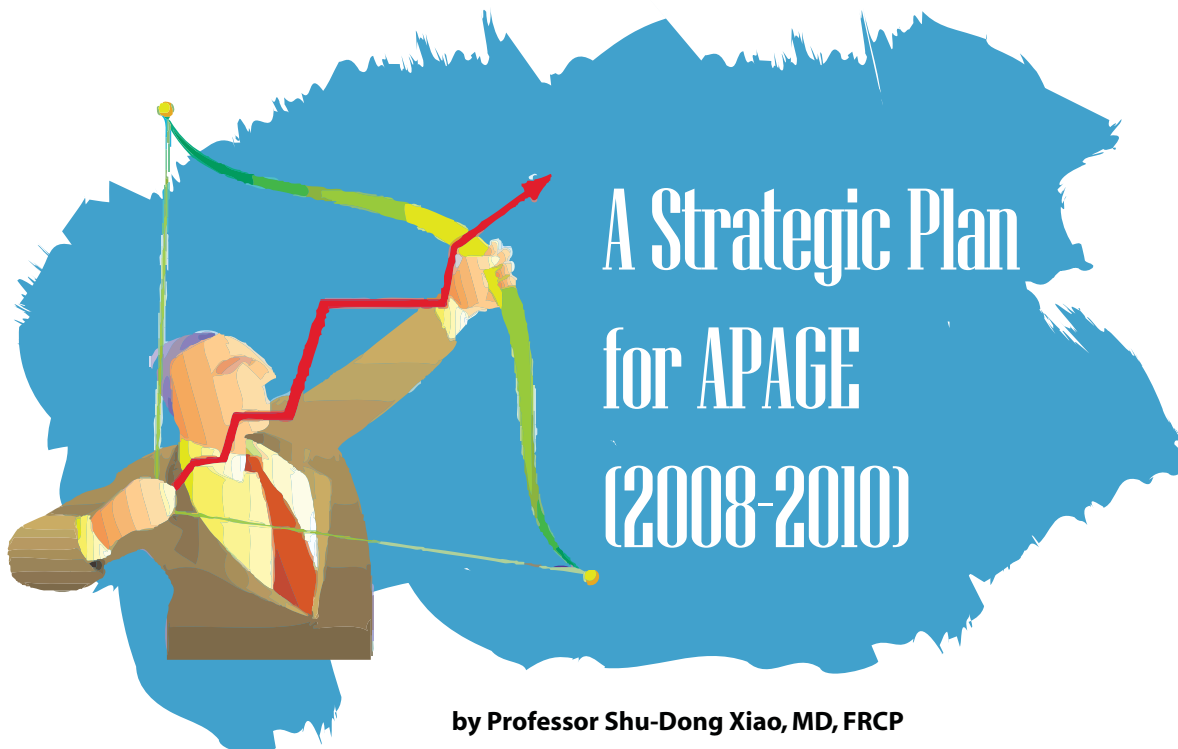
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A Strategic Plan for APAGE (2008-2010)

by Professor Shu-Dong Xiao, MD, FRCP

Quite a lot of events have happened within APAGE since the APDW 2008 in New Delhi, India. In order to draw up a strategic plan for APAGE and for the office bearers to know each other better, a strategic planning meeting was held on 7th December, 2008 in Xiamen, China.

The Asian Association of Gastroenterology (AAG) was founded in 1961 in Tokyo, Japan, officially affiliated with World Gastroenterology Organization (WGO). In February 1972, AAG was re-named to Asian Pacific Association of Gastroenterology (APAGE). The APAGE Congress has been held every four years since 1964 till 2000. The restructured first Asian Pacific Digestive Week or APDW 2001 was held in Sydney, Australia. Since then APDW has been held in a city of Asian Pacific region every year. APDW 2009 has attracted 2,300 delegates to Taipei. APDW 2010 will be held on 19th - 22nd September in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia. There will be a postgraduate programme organized with the assistance of Professor Guido Tytgat and an OMED Endoscopy Directors' Workshop organized in association with Professor Tony Axon. The Scientific Programme is marvelous, and I encourage you to join us!

A monothematic meeting on functional gastrointestinal disorders entitled the First Asian-Pacific Topic Conference, organized by Japanese Society of Gastroenterology in conjunction with APAGE will be held on 26th - 27th November in Tokyo, Japan. This meeting is most welcomed by local gastroenterologists and is an opportunity to focus on an in-depth discussion of functional GI disorders.

APDNews restores its publication since 2009. Professor Kwong-Ming Fock, the Editor-in-Chief plans to publish the APDNews twice per year. The server of the APAGE website has been moved to Kuala Lumpur last year, and the APDNews will be online and link with APAGE homepage. I hope everyone of our association will support the APDNews and contribute to it!

The APAGE/JGH Foundation Clinician - Scientist training fellowship is an important vehicle for APAGE to assist the training of several able clinician and scientist each year.

Asian-Pacific Consensus on ulcerative colitis, Helicobacter pylori, GERD and gastric cancer, have been produced with members of APAGE in collaboration with other organizations. From 2010, consensus will be rebranded as APAGE Consensus. Over the next few years, more consensus will be developed under APAGE.

The Chinese Society of Gastroenterology, Chinese Society of Digestive Endoscopy and Chinese Society of Hepatology will host the World Congress of Gastroenterology and APDW 2013 in Shanghai, China. This is really a great event of Chinese gastroenterologists, hepatologists and endoscopists. When the Shanghai Expo' ends in this October, A large International Convention Center will be re-constructed for the World Congress of Gastroenterology and APDW 2013. I sincerely hope colleagues from all over the world will attend the congress. This is really the first time for our Chinese colleagues to host such a tremendous meeting in China! See you in Shanghai in 2013!

Time flies! I am coming to the end of my two-year term as President of APAGE. Thank you for your kind support, which has made these initiatives possible.



*From the
Editor's Pen*

After 10 years, the Steering Committee is being replaced by a corporate organization, ASIAN PACIFIC DIGESTIVE WEEK FEDERATION (APDWF). This corporate body has been fully registered in May 2010 and will undertake to oversee the organization of future APDWs. It is hoped that with the improved organizational structure, APDW will move on to greater height.

APDW 2010 will be held in Kuala Lumpur Convention Center, the pride of Kuala Lumpur with the magnificent view of Petronas Towers. The 3 full-day scientific program is no less impressive with 4 named lectures, 3 State-of-the-Art lectures, 34 symposiums as well as 2 days of live endoscopy demonstrations showcasing the best scientific work in Gastroenterology, Hepatology, GI Endoscopy and GI Surgery in Asia.

The postgraduate programme promises to be exciting and includes in-depth teaching of medical GI oncology and notably gastric cancer, liver-pancreas cancer as well as colorectal cancer.

In addition, the host has also arranged an excellent social program for delegates and guests.

In conclusion, I wish all delegates a fruitful and rewarding time at APDW 2010. Please encourage others in your country to join us.

Professor Kwong-Ming Fock
Editor-in-Chief

Dear APAGE colleagues,

I bring you greetings from the Editorial Office as I present you with my next Update!

This year's APDW Congress with the theme, GASTROENTEROLOGY IN ASIA PACIFIC – EXCELLENCE IN THE NEW DECADE, will be held in Kuala Lumpur from 19th to 22nd September 2010. At the same time, it also marks the 10th anniversary of APDW, which started in 2001 in Sydney after 9/11 incident. Since then, APDW has grown from strength to strength and is on the radar of BMI, conference organizers and GE organizations in Asia. A Steering Committee has been guiding the APDW since inception.



THE ASIAN PACIFIC DIGESTIVE WEEK 2010 COMES TO MALAYSIA!

INTRODUCTION

Malaysia hosts for the first time the Asian Pacific Digestive Week (APDW) from September 19th-22nd 2010. With the theme "Gastroenterology in Asia Pacific- Excellence in the New Decade" and organized by the Malaysian Society of Gastroenterology and Hepatology (MSGH), APDW 2010 will prove to be the best APDW ever organized.

In anticipation of a participation of over 3000 delegates, the meeting will be held in the beautiful Kuala Lumpur (KL) Convention Centre. Located in the heart of the capital city of Malaysia, Kuala Lumpur, next to the iconic Petronas Twin Towers, the KL Convention Centre boasts the best convention facilities in this part of the world.

The APDW 2010 is the 10th meeting since its highly successful inaugural meeting in 2001 in Sydney, Australia under the presidency of Professor Geoff Farrell. The brain-child of Professor SK Lam, the then president of the Asian Pacific Association of Gastroenterology, the APDW is modeled after the Digestive Disease Week of America (DDW) and the United European gastroenterology Week (UEGW). The meeting brings together annually scientific meetings of four Asian Pacific societies: Asian Pacific Association of Gastroenterology (APAGE), Asian Pacific Society of Digestive Endoscopy (APSDE), Asian Pacific Association for the Study of Liver (APASL) and the International Society of Digestive Surgery (ISDS).



SCIENTIFIC PROGRAM

Preceded by 2 pre-congress workshops- the APDW 2010 Postgraduate Course chaired by Professors Guido Tytgat and Shu-Dong Xiao will focus on "digestive cancer" and will be co-sponsored by the APAGE, IDCA and EAGE and the OMED/APSDE Endoscopy Director's workshop chaired by Professors Anthony Axon and William Chao.

The main scientific meeting will have 5 concurrent sessions. The highlights of the meeting include the two named Journal of Gastroenterology and Hepatology Foundation (JGHF) named lectures: The Okuda lectureship- will be delivered by Professor Anna Lok (Ann Arbor, USA) – title- "Does antiviral therapy for Hep B & C prevent HCC?" and the Marshall and Warren lectureship by Professor Neville Yeomans (Melbourne, Australia)- "Aspirin: Old drug, new uses and challenges?" For the JGHF Emerging leader's lectureship, Professor Lawrence KY Ho from Singapore will deliver a lecture entitled – "Barrett's esophagus in Asia" and Professor Henry Chan will deliver his lecture entitled- "The decoding of HBV genomics by a clinician".

In addition, the Malaysian Society of Gastroenterology and Hepatology (MSGH) will hold its annual three named lectures: the MSGH oration-, Professor NJ Talley (Newcastle, Australia) – "New insights into etiopathogenesis of functional dyspepsia", the Panir Chelvam Memorial lecture- professor Joseph Sung (Hong Kong, China) – "The future role of the gastroenterologist in digestive oncology" and The Distinguished Endoscopy lecture- Dr DL Carr-Locke- "Enhancing the eye – The future of endoscopy".

Three eminent speakers will deliver State of the Art lectures: Professor Irvin Modlin- Neuroendocrine tumors, Professor DN Reddy on Endoscopy in Chronic pancreatitis and Professor

Kenneth McColl, on Acid secretion. A total of 110 speakers have accepted our invitation to speak at this important meeting.

In addition there will be 5 free paper and 2 Young Investigator sessions. All accepted scientific abstracts will be published in a supplement of the Journal of Gastroenterology and Hepatology. A total of 757 submissions have been accepted for presentation. This is again a record number of submissions for an APDW.

A 2-day live endoscopy workshop has been planned for the 20th and 21st September 2010. Top Asian and International endoscopists have been invited to perform during this workshop and include Professors DW Seo (Seoul, Korea), DN Reddy (Hyderabad, India), T Gotoda (Tokyo, Japan), N Yahagi (Tokyo, Japan), M Bourke (Sydney, Australia), James Lau (Hong Kong, China), Yang Chen (Colorado, USA), H Neuhaus (Dusseldorf, Germany), H Yamamoto (Tokyo, Japan), Amit Maydeo (Mumbai, India), Ibrahim Mostafa (Cairo, Egypt), K Yasuda (Kyoto, Japan), M Fujishiro (Tokyo, Japan), M Giovannini (Marseille, France), David Carr Locke (New York, USA) and R Rungsun (Bangkok, Thailand). The live cases will be transmitted live via microwave to the KL Convention Centre from 2 participating hospitals: the University of Malaya Medical Centre and the Selayang Hospital.

Post Amble: The local organizing committee of the Malaysian Society of Gastroenterology and Hepatology has worked long and hard for this meeting. We have spared no effort in making this meeting the best ever APDW.....one that all of us in Malaysia will be proud of!

Dato' Professor KL Goh
President APDW 2010

HIGHLIGHTS OF THE MEETING

OMED Endoscopy Directors Workshop	<i>Chairman: ATR Axon, WSC Chao</i>	Sunday 19 th September 2010
APDW Postgraduate Course	<i>Chairman: SD Xiao, GNJ Tytgat</i>	Sunday 19 th September 2010
Live Endoscopy Workshop	<i>Selayang Hospital and University of Malaya Medical Centre, Kuala Lumpur</i>	Monday 20 th and Tuesday 21 st September 2010
Main scientific Program	<i>5 concurrent sessions over 3 full days</i>	Separate gastroenterology, endoscopy, liver and surgical sessions and intergrated sessions- emphasis on multidisciplinary approaches
Young Investigator Award	<i>2 sessions of specially selected papers for oral presentation</i>	
Meet the Expert breakfast sessions	<i>Various topics</i>	Tuesday and Wednesday- 21 st and 22 nd September 2010- 7.00-8.15 am
Focused Research Group Meetings	<i>IDCA (Asian Chapter), Barrett's Working Group, Inflammatory Bowel Disease Consensus Group, Asian EUS working Group, Asian Pacific Working Groups on Gastric cancer and Colorectal cancer, Inflammatory Bowel Disease meeting, ANMA- Functional dyspepsia</i>	Monday 20 th September- Wednesday 22 nd September
Pharmaceutical Satellite Symposiums	<i>Solvay Pharma, Reckitt Beckinser, AstraZeneca, Eisai, BioGaiai, Otuska Novartis Pharma, Pfizer, MSD</i>	
Biomedical Industry Trade exhibition	<i>115 booths - 40 companies</i>	Monday 20 th September 9.00am – Wednesday 22 nd September 5.00 pm
The American Society of Gastrointestinal Endoscopy (ASGE) Learning Centre	<i>8 stations located in the banquet hall together with the poster viewing area</i>	Top-class learning centre with selected specially prepared DVDs

SPECIAL LECTURES

JGHF Okuda Lectureship	<i>Anna Lok (Ann Arbor, USA)</i>	Does antiviral therapy for Hep B & C prevent HCC?	Monday 19 th September 8.30-9.10am
JGHF Emerging Leaders Lecture 1	<i>KY Ho (Singapore)</i>	Barrett's oesophagus	Tuesday 21 st September 8.30-9.10 am
JGHF Emerging Leaders Lecture 2	<i>Henry Chan (Hong Kong, China)</i>	The decoding of HBV genomics by a clinician	Tuesday 21 st September 8.30-9.10 am
JGHF Marshall and Warren Lectureship	<i>Neville Yeomans (Melbourne, USA)</i>	Aspirin: Old drug, new uses and challenges?	Wednesday 22 nd September 8.30am - 9.10am
MSGH Panir Chelvam Memorial Lecture	<i>Joseph Sung (Hong Kong, China)</i>	The future role of the gastroenterologist in digestive oncology	Monday 19 th September 9.10-9.50am
MSGH Distinguished Endoscopy lecture	<i>David Carr-Locke (New York, China)</i>	Enhancing the eye - The future of endoscopy	Tuesday 21 st September 9.10am-9.50am
MSGH Oration	<i>Nicolas Talley Newcastle, Australia)</i>	New insights into etiopathogenesis of functional dyspepsia	Wednesday 22 nd September; 9.10am-9.50am
State of the art lecture 1	<i>Irvin Modlin (New Haven, USA)</i>	The Woody Allen, Einstein Assessment Of Neuroendocrine Tumors: Puns, Peptides And Polonium	Monday 20 th September; 8.30am-9.10am
State of the art lecture 2	<i>Ken McColl (Glasgow, UK)</i>	Acid secretion: Now too much of a good thing in a developed world?	Tuesday 21 st September 9.10am-9.50am
State of the Art lecture 3	<i>Nageshwar Reddy (Hyderabad, India)</i>	Evolution of endotherapy in chronic pancreatitis - A critical appraisal	Wednesday 22 nd September; 9.10am-9.50am



NEWS FROM MEMBER SOCIETIES



日本消化器病学会
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Forthcoming meetings to be held by the Japan Society of Gastroenterology

The 1st JSGE International Topic Conference

Date: 25-26 September, 2010
Venue: Kamakura Park Hotel (Kanagawa)
URL: <http://www2.convention.co.jp/jsge-itc2010/>

Japan Digestive Disease Week 2010

Date: 13-16 October, 2010
Venue: Pacifico Yokohama (Kanagawa)
URL: <http://www.jddw.jp/jddw2010/english.html>

The 1st Asian Pacific Topic Conference

Date: 27 November, 2010
Venue: Shiba Park Hotel (Tokyo)



THE HONG KONG SOCIETY
OF GASTROENTEROLOGY

A note from The Hong Kong Society of Gastroenterology

Dear APAGE colleagues,

The Hong Kong Society of Gastroenterology was incorporated in 1981 to promote the advancement of gastroenterology through organizing scientific meetings, funding research projects, providing public education and offering scholarship awards.

In March 2010, a new Council was formed and I was elected President of the Society for the term of 2010-2012.

Our current year began with a few symposia. Highlights can be found in the June 2010 issue of our newsletter. (<http://www.hksge.org/newsletter201006.pdf>)

During our annual general meeting and scientific symposium in March 2010, honorary fellowship of our Society was bestowed upon Professor Raymond DuBois, University of Texas MD Anderson Cancer Center, USA, and Professor K.L. Goh, University of Malaya, Malaysia. We now have 12 honorary fellowships to renowned scholars in our specialty.

One of the major objectives of the society was to support local academic research. Recent projects include "Non-erosive gastroesophageal reflux diseases (NERD): a disease of excessive acid or visceral hypersensitivity?" by Dr. Justin C.Y. Wu, Department of Medicine & Therapeutics of The Chinese University of Hong Kong and "Colonoscopic screening in first-degree relatives of Hong Kong Chinese patients with sporadic colorectal cancer" by Prof. Wai-Keung Leung, Department of Medicine & Therapeutics of The Chinese University of Hong Kong.

The Society publishes 2 newsletters in a year which are featured in the Society's website. We invite you to visit the Society's website www.hksge.org for more information. Thank you and with best regards.

Dr. Benjamin C.Y. Wong

President, HKSOG



Professor Raymond DuBois



Professor K.L. Goh



Philippine Society of Gastroenterology's 50th Anniversary Celebration on March 2010



Opening of PSG Past Presidents Hall by Dr. Ernesto Domingo, Dr. Randy Mercado and Dr. Jesus Perez, Jr.



The Past Presidents of PSG.



The Board of Directors of PSG 2009-2010



The Women of PSG



Parade of Colours during Fellowship Night



A captivating performance during Fellowship Night