



APAO GOLDEN JUBILEE CELEBRATION



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MESSAGES

APAO Golden Jubilee Celebration



Message from Professor Frank Martin



We have much of which to be proud. This year, 2010, marks the 50th Anniversary of the Asia-Pacific Academy of Ophthalmology (APAO). We are one of the longest standing medical organisations in the region. Since its inception the APAO has served as the leading professional organisation in raising the standard of ophthalmology and visual science amongst members and their national organisations.

During the past 50 years the Asia-Pacific region has developed as a region of cultural and ethnic diversity as well as undergoing rapid socio-economic development. Since 2006, the APAO Congress has been held annually to meet the increasing educational demand and overwhelming scientific output from its members.

The APAO Congress has left its footsteps on westernised Auckland, the beautiful landlocked Nepal and Asian metropolitan cities, such as Kyoto, Seoul, Bangkok, Singapore, Lahore, Bali and Hong Kong, just to name a few. While the original aim to raise the standard of ophthalmology in the Asia-Pacific region remains unchanged, the Congress continues to evolve in fostering the establishment and collaboration between sub-specialty societies of the region, including the Asia-Pacific Vitreo-Retina Society (APVRS), Asia-Pacific Society of Ophthalmic Plastic & Reconstructive Surgery (APSOPRS), Asia-Pacific Association of Cataract and Refractive Surgeons (APACRS), South-East Asia Glaucoma Interest Group (SEAGIG), Asia Oceanic Glaucoma Society (AOGS) and the Asia-Pacific Society of Paediatric Ophthalmology and Strabismus (APSPOS). The APAO also serves to keep members and their countries connected with other supranational organisations such as the European Society of Ophthalmology (SOE) and the American Academy of Ophthalmology (AAO).

I am proud to steer the APAO towards the digitalised 21st century. Our website not only carries Society information, but also serves as an on-line teaching venue for members to exchange their clinical pearls and cutting edge medical technologies.

I am honoured to witness the development of APAO in my capacity as President. Our member societies have increased to 19 across the Asia-Pacific region in the year 2010. APAO with the assistance of the AAO now has its own leadership development program and planning is well advanced for the APAO Journal of Ophthalmology.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the past and current members of the council whose efforts have been crucial to the current status of the Society. I would also like to congratulate our young, upcoming members whose innovation and dedication in ophthalmology would certainly be recognised on the international platform.

To conclude, it is my pleasure to share with you, our exciting moments at the Golden Jubilee celebrations with full support from our members. We take this opportunity to come together scientifically and socially, sharing our ethnic diversity. We are confident of the continuing success and excellence of the Academy in the years to come.

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Frank Martin
President
Asia-Pacific Academy of Ophthalmology

Message **from Professor Jialiang Zhao**



It is my pleasure and privilege to offer a message as the Chairman of the Celebration Committee of Asia-Pacific Academy of Ophthalmology (APAO) Golden Jubilee Celebration.

Fifty years ago, APAO was established to combat the blindness and visual impairment, to support the research and education of ophthalmology, to be a medium of instruction, to create a network for Asian ophthalmologists to work together towards all these goals. Fifty years is not a long term in the human history. However, APAO has received remarkable achievements in the development of ophthalmology in Asia-Pacific region. APAO has become an important forum to facilitate communication and contact among the ophthalmic community, and became an important and powerful force to promote the ophthalmology in the global ophthalmology.

In the development of the ophthalmology, all member societies of APAO have made a great contribution. Numerous leading ophthalmologists from the Asia-Pacific region have dedicated to support APAO forward. All their work and contribution should be remembered and respected forever and ever.

In these days of APAO Golden Jubilee Celebration, we clearly know that the world is changing, the demand for the best and the most affordable and effective ophthalmic service is increasing. We should do more and more work to promote the ophthalmology in Asia-Pacific region in the coming years. Tomorrow's Asia-Pacific ophthalmology will be influenced and promoted by the ophthalmic innovators from Asia-Pacific region. All member societies of APAO should unite and cooperate together to strive for the bright future of ophthalmology in Asia-Pacific region.

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Jialiang Zhao
Chairman
APAO Golden Jubilee Celebration Committee
and
Vice-President
Asia-Pacific Academy of Ophthalmology

Message **from Professor Bruce Spivey**



Dear Colleagues and Friends,

On this momentous occasion of the 50th anniversary of the Asia-Pacific Academy of Ophthalmology, I send a hearty congratulations and sincere best wishes to you on behalf of the International Council of Ophthalmology (ICO) as you celebrate your “Golden Jubilee”.

Working to prevent visual loss and improve eye care takes great dedication and cooperation, and in the 50 years since its establishment, the APAO has continued to grow and evolve to meet the eye care challenges in the Asia-Pacific Region. The APAO is recognized as a leader in organizing outstanding congresses and a new excellent leadership development program.

The ICO is working to preserve and restore vision for the people of the world — especially for those in developing countries — by refocusing ophthalmic education, enhancing eye care and advancing leadership. A critical part of our efforts is cooperation with supranational societies like the APAO.

The ICO is fortunate to have the APAO as a partner in this regard. The ICO and APAO have enjoyed a long and prosperous relationship, with many APAO leaders also serving as ICO leaders, most notably Honorary ICO Life President Akira Nakajima, MD and former ICO Treasurer Yasuo Tano, MD.

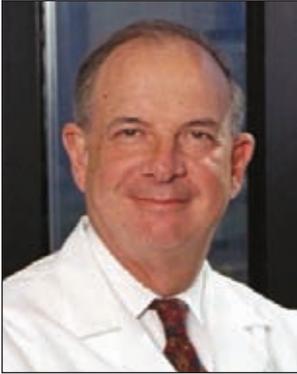
We look forward to continuing to work together with the APAO to meet the challenges and celebrate the successes through the next 50 years — and beyond.

With my compliments and sincere regards,

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Bruce E. Spivey
President
International Council of Ophthalmology

Message **from Professor Paul Lichter**



Dear Colleagues,

On behalf of the world-wide membership of Academia Ophthalmologica Internationalis, I am pleased and privileged to congratulate the Asia-Pacific Academy of Ophthalmology and its members on your 50th anniversary. You have every right to be enormously proud of your many achievements realized through building a network of organizations with the shared goal of preventing blindness.

The founder of the APAO, Dr. William John Holmes, had the vision to bring together ophthalmologists in the region who had encountered similar ophthalmological challenges. In 1960, the first Asia-Pacific Academy of Ophthalmology meeting was held with the goal of fostering closer relations among ophthalmologists and ophthalmology societies in the Asia-Pacific region to fight blindness.

Today our organizations share similar goals: a dedication to advancing education and research as a means to prevent blindness and concern for delivering ophthalmological care to those who need it most. The Asia-Pacific region is home to more than half the world's population and to more than half the visually handicapped in the world. Your task and ours is vital: to continue to support advances in ophthalmology that will serve patients not only in the Asia-Pacific region, but around the world.

Through its leadership, its unique network of partnerships, and topnotch ophthalmology conferences, the Asia-Pacific Academy of Ophthalmology will continue to advance eye and vision care as well as academic ophthalmology in the region and beyond.

Congratulations on 50 years of success and all best wishes for your even brighter future.

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Paul R. Lichter
President
Academia Ophthalmologica Internationalis

Message **from Professor David Parke**



The American Academy of Ophthalmology is delighted to honor APAO for its many successes during the past 50 years. A reflection of the close partnership between the AAO and APAO are our three joint meetings such as the one here in Beijing.

The AAO looks forward to many more years working together to benefit ophthalmologists and their patients around the world.

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David W. Parke II
Executive Vice President and CEO
American Academy of Ophthalmology

Message from Professor Arthur Lim



“A journey of a thousand miles begins with the first step”.

Today, Asian ophthalmology is challenging the best of Europe and America. A lot of exciting developments are taking place in this part of the world. Let us work together to develop ophthalmic innovations in Asia and beyond.

How It All Began

For decades, ophthalmologists of Asia with over half the world’s population, developed quality ophthalmology in the Asia-Pacific.

With independence after the Second World War, Asia improved economically and numerous eye surgeons emerged. They were anxious to do their best for Asia. What better approach than an international organisation gathering the different countries together to prevent blindness, good clinical care and excellent surgery and foster friendships. This is the objective of the Asia-Pacific Academy of Ophthalmology (APAO).

The APAO was formed on September 11, 1958, during the 18th International Congress of Ophthalmology in Brussels. The principal objective was to foster closer ties amongst the ophthalmologists and the ophthalmological societies in the Asia-Pacific area.

There was a need to identify the geographical boundaries and these included all Asian countries (Bangladesh, Hong Kong, India, Indonesia, Japan, Korea, Malaysia, Pakistan, Philippines, Singapore, Sri Lanka, Taiwan, Thailand and Vietnam including the Pacific: Australia and New Zealand).

Asian ophthalmologists were encouraged by the President of the International Council of Ophthalmology, Sir Stewart Duke-Elder. He stated: “I know of no greater stimulus for the progress of ophthalmology in the vast area which the Asia-Pacific Academy represents than the institution of a body such as yours.”

The Objectives of APAO

Congress

The main objective of APAO was having the congresses every two to four years. The meetings promoted exchanges on service, quality surgery, outcomes and research. There was an exchange of knowledge between the ophthalmic leaders of respective countries and there were improvements in the teaching and practice of ophthalmology which helped bolster our fight against blindness.

Prevention of Blindness

Another important mission of the APAO was to prevent blinding diseases. It is well known that the majority of world’s blind live in Asia. A movement to galvanise international prevention of blindness organisations by APAO can help alleviate blindness in Asia by leaps and bounds. It was soon discovered that the most important blinding condition was cataract. Accordingly, cataract surgery was rapidly developed. A training centre in microsurgery and extraocular cataract extraction was established in Singapore and later in Tianjin, China, followed by similar centres in other parts of Asia.

Organisation

The organisation depended on a small group of leaders from the Asia-Pacific and national representatives who sat on the council. The most important position, Secretary-General, was reserved for an ophthalmologist who was prepared to dedicate much of his life to galvanise the leaders of different countries and to communicate with organisations and ophthalmologists in Asia and beyond so as to ensure the spread of new ideas and new knowledge throughout Asia. There was also a need to establish connections with the World Health Organisation, the International Agency for the Prevention of Blindness and the International Federation of Ophthalmological Societies.

But APAO did not have a strong financial base. It was therefore essential to have a Secretary-General who can attract – support and travel without cost to APAO as funds were not available. We thank Dr. John

Message from Professor Arthur Lim

William Holmes, the first Secretary-General of APAO, for not only his vision and commitment to use his own facilities and his own contacts to pay for and to establish important international links for the first 15 years of APAO from 1960 to 1975.

In 1976, Professor Akira Nakajima was elected the Secretary-General. He too continued as Secretary-General with talent and dedication, and ran the organisation with funds raised from his university and supporters. In 1990, he relinquished his position to me who also chaired International Congress of Ophthalmology (organised by the International Council of Ophthalmology) held in Singapore in the same year. It was one of the most successful world congresses held.

I am honoured to lead APAO for 15 years and in 2006, Professor Dennis Lam, a young dynamic Professor for Ophthalmology at the Chinese University of Hong Kong, took over as Secretary-General.

Awards

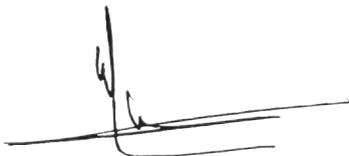
APAO recognises outstanding ophthalmologists with the following awards:

Jose Rizal Medal
Jose Rizal International Medal
De Ocampo Lecture
Holmes Lecture
Susruta Lecture
Nakajima Award
Arthur Lim Award
ICO Golden Apple Award for the Best Clinical Teacher in Ophthalmology in the APAO Region

For those who have contributed generally, APAO has two awards: Distinguished Service Award and Outstanding Service in Prevention of Blindness Award. More recently, the John Wilson International Lecture and then the Zhang Xiao-Lou Lecture were created.

Summary

Let us forge lasting friendships and bonds. Let us always devote ourselves to promoting the welfare of our fellowmen afflicted with eye conditions.



Arthur Lim
Immediate Past Secretary-General
Asia-Pacific Academy of Ophthalmology

Message from Professor Dennis Lam



Dear Friends and Colleagues,

More than half a century has passed since the momentous evening when Dr. William Holmes, Dr. Geminiano de Ocampo, Dr. Jesus Tamesis, Dr. Angelo and Dr. Robert Lowe drafted the first Constitution of the Asia-Pacific Academy of Ophthalmology (APAO) following a dinner in the Manila Hotel in October, 1958. Looking back at how much we, the ophthalmic communities of the Asia-Pacific region, have achieved in the past 50 years, we have every reason to be proud of.

Today, we have in our region some of the finest, most esteemed ophthalmic centers and research institutes in the world. These centers offer ophthalmic services of the highest international standard, and undertake top-notch research projects on diseases and treatments of greatest relevance to our people. At the same time, ongoing Prevention of Blindness Programs are helping millions of less privileged people in the Asia-Pacific region to regain sight every year. These programs bring affordable and high-quality eye care to the less developed countries and areas. The APAO Congresses have not just grown in size over the decades. Our Congresses have increasingly attracted the most distinguished clinicians and researchers from around the world to participate and to showcase their best research and projects. Our APAO Congresses have gradually established itself as the key one-stop platform for all ophthalmic training and educational needs for eye care professionals in our region. The APAO Awards have identified and honored those individuals who have made exemplary contributions to the development of ophthalmology and the promotion of eye care. Our Awardees continue to set excellent examples for the rest of us to follow.

Looking ahead, we have important new initiatives that will further expand the role of APAO in regional ophthalmic training and education. As the Secretary General of the APAO, it is my greatest privilege and pleasure to share with you some of these new developments.

The **APAO Fellowship Program** aims to help promising young ophthalmologists from developing nations broaden their skills, knowledge, and experience in clinical ophthalmology, especially in areas of greatest relevance to their home institutions and countries. Fellows are expected to bring their acquired knowledge and skills back to their native countries and participate in blindness-prevention programs. Fellowships will be offered in comprehensive ophthalmology as well as in subspecialties, such as pediatric ophthalmology, medical and/or surgical retina, cataract surgery, cornea & external diseases, glaucoma, neuro-ophthalmology, ocular oncology, uveitis, and strabismus.

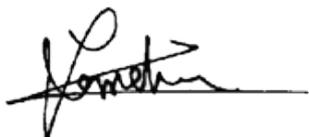
The **APAO Online Education Program** aims to bring virtual ophthalmic training and education to the eye care professionals in developing regions, through uploaded seminars and grand rounds, ophthalmic photo and video libraries, and online expert discussion forums. Modern technologies allow us to provide training and education of the highest caliber to distant corners of the world very cost effectively and on a continuous and sustainable basis.

The official **APAO Journal** aims, on the one hand to showcase the best research work from the region, and also top-notch publications of greatest relevance to the region; on the other hand, it targets at building this into an international platform for publication of first class research from around the world. The APAO Leadership Development Program aims to identify and nurture the future leaders of the ophthalmic communities of our region. Through self-initiated community and healthcare projects, our younger generations learn to identify needs, organize local projects, and to shoulder professional

Message **from Professor Dennis Lam**

responsibilities. The fraternity arising from this program also allows our future ophthalmic leaders to commence lifelong friendships and collaborations at an early stage of their careers.

While we are celebrating the wonderful achievements of our predecessors in the first 50 years, we are hugely confident that by working closely together for our common goals, we are already on our way towards meeting the many new challenges and opportunities of the 21st Century.

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Dennis Lam

Secretary-General and CEO

Asia-Pacific Academy of Ophthalmology

HISTORY

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History

Like all great institutions, it all started as one man's dream - that of William John Holmes.

Dr. Holmes was born in Budapest, crossed the Atlantic emigrated to America in the 1920s, and eventually practiced ophthalmology in the middle of the Pacific Ocean in Hawaii! Hawaii at that time, although a territory of USA, was not yet its 50th state (that came later in 1959). Dr. Holmes allowed his thoughts to turn eastward towards the ancient continent when he called for Asian leaders of ophthalmology to unite in the 1950s. As he noted later (in his address at the second APAO Congress), "the idea for the organisation of the Asia-Pacific Academy of Ophthalmology grew out of the realization that eye surgeons in the neighbouring countries of Asia, Australasia, and Oceania were faced with identical ophthalmological problems".

A response to his call came in September 1958. At the 19th International Congress of Ophthalmology in Brussels, a decision was made to form the Asia-Pacific Academy of Ophthalmology. One month later, the indefatigable Dr. Holmes journeyed to the Phillipines. Following a dinner at the gracious environs of the Manila Hotel, Dr. William J Holmes, Dr. Geminiano de Ocampo (Philippines), Dr. Jesus Tamesis (Philippines), Dr. Angelo and Dr. Robert F. Lowe (Australia) drew up the Constitution of the Academy and paving the way for the first meeting of the Academy in Manila on 10 - 13 October 1960.



Seen here are Dr. W.J. Holmes, Dr. R.F. Lowe and Dame Ida Mann among others.



Dr. William John Holmes in 1982, Founder Secretary-General of the Asia-Pacific Academy of Ophthalmology.

History

The first Academy and Congress President was Dr. de Ocampo, the “Father of Modern Philippine Ophthalmology”. The Academy was formed with the principal objective of fostering closer relations among ophthalmologists and ophthalmology societies in the Asia-Pacific region to fight against blindness. It serves today as a platform to promote the prevention of blindness and restoration of sight through service, research and teaching in ophthalmology. Other objectives are to encourage the free exchange of ophthalmic knowledge and the advancement of the standard of eye care through the hosting of regional congresses or other conferences. More importantly, the APAO is entrusted with forming a family of ophthalmology societies for the welfare of all peoples and nations of the region.

Initially the first four APAO Congresses were held every four years. Since 1972, the Congresses were organized every two years. To meet the growing demand for more frequent interactions in a fast changing world, the APAO Congresses will now be held annually, starting from 2006 in Singapore.

The Asia-Pacific region is home to more than half the world’s population and also more than half the visually handicapped in the world. Quite obviously the ophthalmologists of the Asia-Pacific area have an enormous task on their hands. They have proved in the past 50 years that they are well up to this daunting task.

At present, APAO has 19 member organizations from different countries and tariff territories of the Asia-Pacific regions, including Australia and New Zealand, Bangladesh, China, Chinese Taipei, Cambodia, Hong Kong, India, Indonesia, Japan, Korea, Malaysia, Mongolia, Nepal, Pakistan, Philippines, Singapore, Sri Lanka, Thailand and Vietnam.

APAO has come a long way since 1960. Its raison d’être is best described in the words of that legend of ophthalmology, Sir Stewart Duke-Elder, in his message to the first APAO Congress in 1960, when he was President of the International Council of Ophthalmology, “I know of no greater stimulus for the progress of ophthalmology in the vast area which the Asia-Pacific Academy represents than the institution of a body such as yours”.



First APAO Congress in Manila, 1960. Delegates to the First Congress included Professor P.S.Reddy, Professor A. Nakajima and Dr. J.C.Chang

LIST OF PRESIDENTS

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List of Presidents

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Term	Year	Name of the President
1 st	1960	Dr. Geminiano de Ocampo
2 nd	1964	Dr. Geminiano de Ocampo
3 rd	1968	Dr. H. D. Dastoor
4 th	1972	Dr. Ronald Lowe
5 th	1974	Dr. Akira Nakajima
6 th	1976	Dr. William John Holmes
7 th	1979	Dr. William John Holmes
8 th	1981	Dr. William John Holmes
9 th	1983	Dr. R. Pararajasegaram
10 th	1985	Dr. R. Pararajasegaram
11 th	1987	Professor Arthur Lim
12 th	1989	Professor R. K Tamin-Radjamin
13 th	1991	Dr. Calvin Ring
14 th	1993	Dr. Saiichi Mishima
15 th	1995	Dr. Sang Wook Rhee
16 th	1997	Professor Selvarajah Sivaguru
17 th	1999	Dr. Prachak Prachakvej
18 th	2001	Professor Mohammad Daud Khan
19 th	2003	Professor Ian Constable
20 th	2005	Professor Roberto Tan
21 st	2007	Professor Yasuo Tano
22 nd	2009	Professor Yasuo Tano
23 rd	2009	Professor Frank Martin

APAO COUNCIL 2010

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APAO Council 2010

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Vice-President	Jialiang Zhao
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Immediate Past President	The Late Yasuo Tano
Immediate Past Secretary-General	Arthur Lim
Congress Presidents	Tjahjono Gondhowiardjo (2009) Xiaoxin Li (2010) Ivan Goldberg (2011)
Regional Secretaries	<i>Australia & New Zealand</i> Ian Constable <i>Bangladesh</i> Ava Hossain <i>Cambodia</i> Amarin Mar <i>China</i> Xiaoxin Li <i>Chinese Taipei</i> Lin Chung Woung <i>Hong Kong</i> Tak Chuen Ko <i>India</i> Rajvardhan Azad <i>Indonesia</i> Djarikusumo Ari <i>Japan</i> Makoto Araie <i>Korea</i> Jin Hak Lee <i>Malaysia</i> Muhaya Hj Mohamad Che <i>Mongolia</i> Jamiyanjav Baasankhuu <i>Nepal</i> Om Krishna Malla <i>Pakistan</i> Nadeem Hafeez Butt <i>Philippines</i> Pearl Tamesis-Villalon <i>Singapore</i> Adrian Koh <i>Sri Lanka</i> Dushyantha Wariyapola <i>Thailand</i> Prin Rojanapongpun <i>Vietnam</i> Thi Kim Thanh Ton
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APAO Council 2010

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The Late Selvarajah Sivaguru
(2009-2010)

Immediate Past
President



The Late Yasuo Tano
(2006-2009)

Immediate Past
Secretary-General



Arthur Lim
(1990-2005)

Congress President



Tjahjono Gondhowiardjo
(2009)

Congress President



Xiaoxin Li
(2010)

Congress President



Ivan Goldberg
(2011)

Regional Secretaries



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(Australia & New Zealand)



Ava Hossain
(Bangladesh)



Amarin Mar
(Cambodia)



Xiaoxin Li
(China)



Lin Chung Woung
(Chinese Taipei)



Tak Chuen Ko
(Hong Kong)



Rajvardhan Azad
(India)



Djarikusumo Ari
(Indonesia)



Makoto Araie
(Japan)



Jin Hak Lee
(Korea)



Muhaya Hj Mohamad Che
(Malaysia)



Jamiyanjav Baasankhuu
(Mongolia)



Om Krishna Malla
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(Pakistan)



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(Singapore)



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(Sri Lanka)



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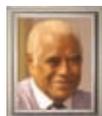


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MEMBER ORGANIZATIONS

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Member Organizations

Australia & New Zealand

The Royal Australian and New Zealand College of Ophthalmologists

A) Introduction

The Royal Australian and New Zealand College of Ophthalmologists (RANZCO) is the professional body representing more than 1000 ophthalmologists in Australia and New Zealand.

Its mission is the improvement of the already high standard of eye care which exists in the two countries. In pursuit of this goal, it provides a variety of services centred on its core roles as a higher educational institution and learned society.

The College's services cover the total spectrum of eye care delivery, from the promotion of scientific research through to the training of specialists and lifelong support for service delivery and patient care.

Apart from activities in mainstream Australia and New Zealand, the College and its members participate independently and collectively, in a variety of eye care programs. In conjunction with other agencies and Governments, programs are designed to assist particular groups, such as indigenous peoples and those living in rural and regional areas and also overseas in countries such as Papua New Guinea, Fiji, India, Vietnam, China, Vanuatu, East Timor, Bali, Western Samoa, Myanmar, Afghanistan, Sri Lanka, Cambodia, Solomon Islands and Tuvalu.

Among RANZCO's affiliated organisations are the Ophthalmic Research Institute of Australia (ORIA), the RANZCO Eye Foundation and the Save Sight Society of New Zealand.

The College is a gold member of Vision 2020 Australia and a member of the International Council of Ophthalmology and the International Agency for the Prevention of Blindness.

The College's Annual Scientific Congresses - usually held in November - are renowned for their quality of scientific content. They attract about 1000 doctors from Australia and New Zealand, other parts of the Asia-Pacific Region and other overseas countries.



The board of directors of RANZCO.

Member Organizations

Australia & New Zealand

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Member Organizations

Bangladesh

Ophthalmological Society of Bangladesh



A) Introduction

Ophthalmological Society of Bangladesh (OSB) was founded in 1972. The main objective of the Organization is to promote campaign for controlling and curing of eye diseases. Since birth the organization has been working for the betterment and wellbeing of ophthalmology and the ophthalmologists.

The Organization has activities centred on prevention of blindness. Regular scientific programs are held around the year for continuing ophthalmic education, in which the young ophthalmologists are equipped with the latest developments of ophthalmology and clinical expertise. The annual conference is an event everyone long for. It is held each year with a large attendance from home and abroad, which serves as a platform for the ophthalmologists to share and update knowledge in this part of Asia.

The Alim Memorial Lecture is the prestigious memorial lecture to commemorate the brave ophthalmologist Dr. Alim Choudhury who was brutally killed in the liberation war. The society has its own eye hospital. The OSB Hospital is run by the management committee of OSB and is providing eye care services to the population at large. Now the present committee is committed to establish it as a center of Excellence and this is under process. Bangladesh Academy of Ophthalmology is the academic wing of OSB. The society is encouraging its members to develop subspecialty in ophthalmology. Up till now society has 700 members. The executive committee is elected every two years.

B) Council Members

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Vice-Presidents:	Professor Md. Abdul Halim Khan	
	Dr. Shahidul Islam Faruque	
	Dr. AKM Shahidur Rahman Tarafder	
	Professor Deen Md. Noorul Huq	
	Dr. Md. Rezanur Rahman	
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The Inaugural Session of Annual Conference of Ophthalmological Society of Bangladesh, 2010.



Ophthalmological Society of Bangladesh President Professor Ava Hossain receiving the Life time Award 2010 from the Honourable Minister for Health and Family Welfare.

Member Organizations

Cambodia

Cambodian Ophthalmological Society

A) Introduction

The Cambodian Ophthalmological Society (COS) was established in 2003 by a group of eye doctors and approved by the Ministry of Health with the mission to provide quality eye care services in all eye care facilities in all provinces of Cambodia and help all eye care professionals to improve their professional skills in their career and to improve patients' confidence by uplifting the standards of eye care service in the country to meet the international standard.



Member of COS consisted of ophthalmologist, basic eye doctor, eye doctors and medical assistants all over the country who are currently providing eye care service and eye health education, and also actively involves in the control of blindness in the country. Currently the COS has 61 members which made up of all ophthalmologists and eye doctors all over the country.

Vision

- To provide quality eye care services for all Cambodian people and to eliminate locally endemic blindness in the country.

Mission

- To provide quality eye care services in all provinces of Cambodia
- To reduce blindness rate to less than 0.5% in most areas of each region
- To help all eye care professional to improve their professional skills and patients' confidence
- To uplift the standard of eye care service in the country on a par with the international.

Professional ethic

In order to achieve the above mission the COS has organized regular continuing medical education for all eye care professional to enhance/improve their clinical, surgical and management skills; such as scientific seminar, presentation of eye researches and studies published in outstanding ophthalmology journal. Patient education materials and different treatment guidelines have been developed in collaboration with the National Program for Eye Health. The COS has become one of the council members of Asian Pacific Academic of Ophthalmology (APAO) in 2008.



The clinical seminar organized by the Cambodian Ophthalmological Society.

Member Organizations

Cambodia

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The Cambodian Ophthalmological Society council members.



The Cambodian Ophthalmological Society council members.

Member Organizations

China

Chinese Ophthalmological Society



A) Introduction

Chinese Ophthalmological Society (COS) was founded in 1937. It has gone through nine terms of offices. Currently COS has more than 22,000 members and set up 11 subspecialties including corneal diseases, glaucoma, cataract, optometry, strabismus and pediatric ophthalmology, vitreo-retinal diseases, ocular trauma, plastic and orbital diseases, ocular immunology, ocular pathology, visual physiology and prevention of blindness. The Congress of COS was independently held since 1965, initially every four years then every two years since 1996, annually since 2005.

The mission of COS is to promote the progress of the sciences of ophthalmology in China, to promote the internationalization process of Chinese ophthalmology and to promote quality eye care to patients. To achieve these goals, COS actively works with the Sight Project of Millions of Cataract Patients and WHO "Vision 2020" to promote blindness prevention, actively advance ophthalmology continuing education, residency training and evidence based guideline in eye care practice.

With the support of International Council of Ophthalmology (ICO) and American Academy of Ophthalmology (AAO), COS introduced American Ophthalmology Preferred Practice Pattern to China. At the same time, COS published Clinical Ophthalmology Technology Specifications, "Clinical Ophthalmology Diagnosis and Treatment Guidelines" and Chinese Ophthalmology Specialists Curriculum to standardize ophthalmology specialists training and provide better care for the patients.

B) Council Members

Trustee Members:

Xiao-xin Li
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The council members of Chinese Ophthalmological Society.

Member Organizations

Chinese Taipei

Chinese Taipei Ophthalmological Society

A) Introduction

The society is committed to actively participate in the eye health care and to promote academic research in ophthalmology. A crucial undertaking as part of the society's short-term objectives – charity eye disease service - has been staged in rural communities across the whole country since 2004. The society's long-term objectives lie in prompting preventive medicine, promoting basic and clinical research, and establishing a nationwide register system on ophthalmic disease.



As a member of APAO, we successfully hosted the 18th APAO in March 2001 at Taipei. In June 2002, the second Global Chinese Ophthalmic Conference was also held at Taipei by our society. We sincerely hope to have the second chance to host the APAO meeting in the near future.

Year of Foundation: May, 1960

Total membership: 1504

Publications: Taiwan Journal of Ophthalmology (quarterly)

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Member Organizations

Chinese Taipei



The group photo which framed the memorable moment at the time the Chinese Taipei Ophthalmological Society established in 1949.



The council members of the Chinese Taipei Ophthalmological Society.

Member Organizations

Hong Kong

Hong Kong Ophthalmological Society

A) Introduction

The Hong Kong Ophthalmological Society (HKOS) was formed in 1954. Over the past 56 years, the size of HKOS has grown substantially and currently has over 240 regular members, representing most of the ophthalmologists actively practicing in Hong Kong.



The main goal of HKOS is to maintain and improve the quality of eye care in Hong Kong. HKOS regularly organizes public eye education campaigns, health talks and screening programs to arouse the public's awareness in the importance of eye health. Recently held screening programs included screening for amblyopia, glaucoma, diabetic retinopathy and age-related macular degeneration. HKOS also partners regularly with various local and international non-governmental and medical organizations to organize various eye health programs for general public and medical professionals.

Another main mission of HKOS is to facilitate the communications between eye care professionals in Hong Kong. Ever since 1989, HKOS has organized annual scientific meetings (Hong Kong Ophthalmological Symposium), which has greatly facilitated and promoted the exchange of scientific knowledge among ophthalmologists in Hong Kong and beyond. Together with the College of Ophthalmologists of Hong Kong, the HKOS hosted the World Ophthalmology Congress 2008, in conjunction with the 23rd Congress of the Asia-Pacific Academy of Ophthalmology, the 13th Congress of Chinese Ophthalmological Society and the 20th Hong Kong Ophthalmological Symposium. The meeting was a great success and was attended by over 13,300 delegates and exhibitors from more than 100 countries.

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The council members of the Hong Kong Ophthalmological Society.

Member Organizations **India**

All India Ophthalmological Society



A) Introduction

The All India Ophthalmological Society (AIOS) was established in the year 1930. The objectives of the society are cultivation and promotion of the study and practice of ophthalmic Sciences, Research and Man Power Development with a view to promote social contacts amongst ophthalmologists. The society organizes conference every year in different parts of the country. The first conference was organized in 1930 at Mumbai. The Golden Jubilee Conference was organized in 1992 in New Delhi. Last Annual Conference was held at Kolkata (West Bengal). The 69th Conference is scheduled to be held in February 2011 at Ahmedabad (Gujarat). In these conferences mutual exchange of ideas and latest knowledge in the field of Ophthalmology, Research and Manpower Development are done through a number of scientific programmes, symposia, seminars, workshops and hands on courses called Wet-labs.

The Society also gives incentives to the members in the form of awards, orations and fellowships in recognition of their distinguished services in the field of various ophthalmological sub-specialties. The Society has also introduced Life Time Achievement Award for senior eminent Ophthalmologists. Our young Ophthalmologists are taking more and more interest in the affairs of the Society. The current membership of the society is 13068.

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The governing council of the All India Ophthalmological Society.

Indonesian Ophthalmologists Association

A) Introduction

The Indonesian Ophthalmologists Association (IOA) or PERDAMI (Persatuan Dokter Spesialis Mata Indonesia) is the only professional organization of ophthalmologists in Indonesia. IOA was founded in Jakarta on July 5, 1964, aimed to promote eye health of Indonesians, and the development of ophthalmology in Indonesia. The IOA is responsible in improving the competence of Indonesian ophthalmologists, in line with the advances in science and technology, moreover, to support the social well-being of IOA members.



Currently, there are 15 IOA' chapters, with a total of 1070 IOA' members, consisting of ophthalmologists who are Indonesian citizens, and 571 ophthalmology residents in training, and several others who are regarded as having special contributors in ophthalmology and eye healthcare in Indonesia.

In orders to facilitate the widening professional horizon and creating atmosphere for research, the IOA since the year 2000; conducted a posters, free papers, and scientific quiz contests during the every Annual Meeting. The first winners of its category are rewarded a free tuition fee, transportation and boarding plus US \$ 200 for courses to attend the APAO congress (formerly to the AAO meeting). The second winners get a similar grant minus the courses fee. In order to facilitate the research atmosphere, we have granted US \$ 500 for every publication in the cited' International Ophthalmology Journals.

The spearheads of sub-specialities development are held by the 8 (eight) Specialities Interest groups, namely the Cataract & Refractive Surgery (InaCRS), the Vitreo-Retinal, Glaucoma, Refractive & Contact Lenses, Infection and Immunology, Pediatric Ophthalmology & Strabismus, Ocular Oncology & Oculoplastic, Neuro-Ophthalmology, and Community Ophthalmology.

We are fully aware to the fact that Indonesia, the fourth most populated country, has a high rate of blindness (1.5%). The Department of Public Service' has been putting its continuous effort in working closely with the government, numerous international and national non-governmental organizations, and companies, to incorporate resources in projects to prevent blindness and eye problems. in Indonesia. Cataract is the main cause of blindness in Indonesia (more than 50%), and is more prevalent among the low economics patients. Since 1996, the IOA has been conducting Charity Cataract Surgeries nationwide, coordinated by Cataract Blindness Prevention Section. However, the total surgeries number are directly in line with the funds availability. This Charity Cataract surgeries has a dual targets, declining the Blindness Rate and as training and maintaining the surgical skills either for the residents and or the eye doctors. Moreover, the IOA' has also awarded a grant to attend the APAO meetings to whom who have conducted the highest numbers of cataract surgery during the Charity Cataract Events in the previous year. Advocacies, fund raising activities and services for other eye health problems. such as uncorrected refractive disorders, glaucoma, diabetic retinopathy, and childhood blindness, are other issues in IOA's agenda.

IOA has co-organized and participated in regional and international ophthalmology events, including being host in two APAO congresses (in 1976 and 2009), conducting a joint meeting with the APACRS (2003 and 2007), and hosting the ORBIS Flying Eye Hospital Program in 1982 and 2010.

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Indonesia

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The group photo of the Indonesian Ophthalmologists Association.



The local logo of the Persatuan Dokter Spesialis Mata Indonesia, which is the Indonesian Ophthalmologists Association in Indonesia.

Member Organizations Japan

Japanese Ophthalmological Society

A) Introduction

The first professor of Ophthalmology in Japan was Jujiro Komoto, who returned from Germany to the Tokyo Imperial University in 1889. In 1897, Takuji Suda, Yoshiakira Ohnishi and Genjiro Kawakami established the Japanese Ophthalmological Society (JOS) and invite Professor Komoto to be the first president. The JOS is the second oldest medical society in Japan, only after the Japanese Association of Anatomists. Since then, a general meeting has been held annually. The JOS celebrated its centennial anniversary in 1996. Famous members of the JOS include Mikito Takayasu, the first to describe Taakyasu's disease; Chuta Oguchi (Oguchi's disease), Yoshizo Koyanagi (Vogt-Koyanagi disease), Einosuke Harada (Harada disease), Akira Urayama (acute retinal necrosis, Kirisawa-Urayama uveitis), as well as Tatsuji Inoue who first reported the relation between the visual field and its projection to the occipital lobe, and Shinobu Ishihara who developed the pseudo-isochromatic plates for color blindness.



The current major activities of the JOS include the followings:

- i) Organizing the annual meeting of the JOS and the annual congress of Japan Clinical Ophthalmology;
- ii) Publishing the Japanese Journal of Ophthalmology (in English) and the Journal of JOS (in Japanese);
- iii) Fostering and advancing ophthalmology;
- iv) Supporting research/investigation of ocular diseases;
- v) Holding public lectures;
- vi) Communicating and collaborating with related academic societies both at home and abroad;
- vii) Certifying diplomates of Ophthalmology and other matters;
- viii) Promoting the lifelong education of diplomats;
- ix) Promoting activities relating to organ transplantation;
- x) Other activities that promote the advancement of ophthalmological medicine.

The JOS hosted the 23rd International Congress of Ophthalmology, 1978, in Kyoto and the 13th Congress of the Asia-Pacific Academy of Ophthalmology, 1991, in Kyoto, and is going to host the 34th World Ophthalmology Congress, 2014 in Tokyo and the 29th Congress of the Asia-Pacific Academy of Ophthalmology, 2014, in Tokyo.

The presidents of JOS are: J. Komoto (1897-25), Y. Ohnishi (1925-8), S. Ishihara (1928-47), Y. Ito (1947-9), Y. Shoji (1949-51), M Uemura (1951-67), S. Shikano (1967-71; 1973-5), Y. Kuwahara (1971-3), K. Kato (1975-7), S. Mishima (1977-81), H. Matsuo (1981-3), Y. Uemura (1983-5; 1989-91), A. Nakajima (1985-7), R. Manabe (1987-9), Y. Uchida (1991-3), M. Matsui (1993-5), T. Maruo (1995-9), Y. Honda (1999-2001), Y. Tano (2001-3; 2005-7), T. Hida (2003-5), M. Araie (2007-9), A. Negi (2009-)

Member Organizations **Japan**

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Member Organizations

Korea

Korean Ophthalmological Society

A) Introduction

The Korean Ophthalmological Society (KOS) was founded on November 1, 1947 and has since continually grown to become one of Korea's leading medical societies consisting of 3523 members. The first academic meeting of the KOS was successfully held in Seoul in 1949. In 1958, the society published its first journal The Journal of The Korean Ophthalmological Society in Korean. In 1987, the society also began publishing The Korean Journal of Ophthalmology (Korean J Ophthalmol) which is currently the official English journal of the KOS. The entire text of the Korean Journal of Ophthalmology has been made accessible through Pubmed, and will be registered in SCI (Scientific Citation Index) shortly. Furthermore, in 1973, the Korean Foundation for the Prevention of Blindness was established.



The KOS holds two national academic meetings biannually in the spring and fall along with numerous regional meetings throughout the year. The KOS agreed to designate November 11 as the National Eye Day. During this week, free eye checkups, educational programs, and special activities are provided to the public.

The KOS has also successfully hosted many international conferences. In 1989, the 12th Congress of the Asia-Pacific Academy of Ophthalmology (APAO) was held in Seoul with 1,200 delegates, of which 550 are from foreign countries. Some of the international meetings held include, The Third Congress of Asia Oceanic Glaucoma Society (AOGS) in 2001, The First Asian Angle-Closure Glaucoma Club (AACGC) conference in 2002, SEAGIG-AACGC Joint Congress in 2008, The Third Congress of Asia-Pacific Vitreo-Retinal Society (APVRS) in 2008, and The 5th International Meeting on Advanced Cataract and Refractive Surgery (IMACRS) in 2009. Through these meetings, the KOS has not only developed academically but contributed in promoting active exchange among ophthalmologists throughout the world. As part of that effort, The 27th Asia-Pacific Academy of Ophthalmology (APAO) Congress is planned to be held in Busan in 2012.

The beginning of the 21st century has brought rapid development in every ophthalmological field within the KOS. We hope that the KOS will become even more internationally recognized through continual academic as well as clinical activities in order to further contribute to the field of ophthalmology.

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Member Organizations

Korea

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The group photo taken in the 16th Korean Ophthalmological Society Congress back in the year 1964.



The 12th APAO Congress in Seoul, 1989



The 60th Anniversary Academic meeting of the Korean Ophthalmological Society, 2007.

The Malaysia Society of Ophthalmology



A) Introduction

The Malaysia Society of Ophthalmological Society (MMA OS) was established in 1964 by pioneering Malaysian Ophthalmologists, with the aim of promoting interest in and advancing the specialty. Over the past 45 years, the society has grown and has organised many academic and social activities, benefitting its members as well as the fraternity of Ophthalmologists as a whole.

To serve an expanded fraternity better, the members of the MMA OS eventually proposed the formation of an independent society. A constitution was drawn up by the committee of the MMA OS and presented at the society's Annual General Meeting in 2007. The resolution to form the independent Persatuan Oftalmologi Malaysia (Malaysia Society of Ophthalmology, MSO) together with its new constitution received overwhelming support from the members present. The new society was successfully registered with the registrar of societies on 15 April 2008.

As the MMA OS has done over the years, the MSO will continue to carry the flag for the profession of Ophthalmology in Malaysia.

The Objectives of the MSO are:

- i) To promote and uphold the interests of Ophthalmology in all its aspects
- ii) To facilitate communication and good will amongst doctors practising Ophthalmology in Malaysia
- iii) To organise conferences, workshops and scientific meetings to facilitate the exchange of information, continually striving to raise the standards of the practice of Ophthalmology in the country
- iv) To facilitate research and development in Ophthalmology
- v) To conduct public health education in relation to promotion of eye health, prevention of blindness and rehabilitation for those with visual impairment.

B) Council Members

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Member Organizations

Mongolia

Mongolian Ophthalmologists' Society

A) Introduction

Mongolian Ophthalmologists' Society (MOS) was founded in 1986.

Currently, 90% of the practicing ophthalmologists are members. The Society holds annual meeting, monthly continuing education sessions and bi-annual publication of Mongolian Journal of Ophthalmology.

MOS is to promote advances in knowledge, skills in ophthalmology, commitment to education and research among its members.

Mongolian Ophthalmologists' Society first became member of Asia-Pacific Academy of Ophthalmology in 2008.

B) Council Members

President:	Dr. Bulgan Tuvaan
Secretary General:	Professor Baasankhuu Jamiyanjav



Member Organizations

Mongolia

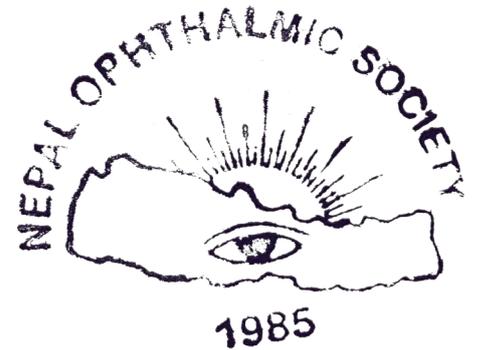
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Nepal Ophthalmic Society

A) Introduction

Nepal Ophthalmic Society (NOS) was established in 1985. It has come a long way since its establishment 25 year ago with less than 15 members to more than 140 members today. It is a common platform for the national and international ophthalmologists involved in the eye care prograMs. of the country. Nepal has made tremendous development in eye care services in last 25 years. There are well established eye hospitals providing comprehensive eye care facilities in all 14 zones of Nepal where people from neighboring countries seek quality eye care services. And Primary eye care centers are providing services at remote villages of the country. General memberships are provided to qualified Nepali ophthalmologists. Non Nepali Ophthalmologist can also be registered as an associate member. International Ophthalmologists who has significantly contributed in the field of Ophthalmology nationally and internationally are decorated with an honorary membership.



Executive committee of NOS is elected every two yearly among the general members. Executive Committee consists of 13 members. It has been taken into consideration to include the members from all geographic regions and various peripheral hospitals of Nepal.

NOS has shared the knowledge and experience among its members within the country by conducting national workshops and CME. NOS has been conducting talk prograMs. by various renowned speakers from Nepal and outside. Since its inception the society has been conducting National Workshop in ophthalmology every two year. Nepal Ophthalmic Society was actively involved in the formation of SAARC Ophthalmic Forum. The first conference of SAARC Academy of Ophthalmology was also held in Nepal in 1992 under the leadership of NOS. The members of NOS have always actively participated in APAO. The 16th Asia-Pacific Academy of Ophthalmology conference was held at Kathmandu, Nepal in March 1997. As the first conference of SAARC Academy was a success, the seventh conference of SAARC Academy of Ophthalmology was held again in Nepal from Nov 19-21, 1999. Besides these international conferences, NOS organizes various prograMs. and workshops regularly.

NOS have materialized the long cherished dream of its members to publish its own ophthalmic journal. Nepalese Journal of Ophthalmology is published biannually. First three issues are already published and the forth issue is in the process of being published in time. This journal has helped to disseminate the result of various researches done in the country and abroad. It has helped sharing knowledge within the country and also from outside Nepal.

Member Organizations

Nepal

B) Council Members

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The executive committee of the Nepal Ophthalmic Society.

Member Organizations

Pakistan

Ophthalmological Society of Pakistan

A) Introduction

Ophthalmological Society of Pakistan (OSP) came into being on 19th December 1957 in Lahore. The main aim of the society was to develop the science and art of ophthalmology all over the country. Ever since its inception the leaders of the society have endeavored to run programs which would improve the knowledge and skills of the ophthalmologists for better patient care and management.



The OSP has grown from the hand full of founding members to 2000 qualified ophthalmologists. It has 13 branches covering all regions of the country and six subspecialty associations, i.e, Vitreo Retina, Oculoplasty, Glaucoma, Paediatric Ophthalmology, Cataract and Refractive Surgery and Community Ophthalmology Associations. The Society runs regular clinical meetings, workshops, congresses, hands on wetlabs, skills labs, and the like in all parts of the country.

Pakistan Journal of Ophthalmology is an official Journal of OSP and is being published quarterly on regular basis for the last 30 years. The OSP has also developed guidelines for glaucoma management, diabetic eye disease and AMD according to the requirements of our own country.

The OSP is an active member of ICO, APAO, Afro Asian Association, SAARC, SEAGIG, WGS and Asia Oceana Glaucoma Association. The members of OSP participate regularly in all international meetings individually and in the form of delegations.

Ophthalmological Society of Pakistan has the honor of holding SAARC Congress, Afro Asian Congress and APAO Congress twice in addition to other congresses of specialty groups, and in the recent past (2007) the 22nd Congress of APAO was held in Lahore Pakistan which was attended by more 4000 delegates & exhibitors and was considered a grand success by international participants.

The members of OSP are well knit with each other as a fraternity and OSP has recently developed a National Dictionary for better communication amongst its members.

The vision of OSP for the near and distant future is to develop community based services and improve the primary eye care for the prevention and cure of preventable and treatable blindness.

B) Council Members

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Member Organizations

Pakistan

Council Members:

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The council members of the Ophthalmological Society of Pakistan at the 22nd APAO Congress.

Philippine Academy of Ophthalmology, INC.

A) Introduction

The Philippine Academy of Ophthalmology, INC. (PAO) is a non-profit, non-stock, SEC registered corporation made up of duly licensed and accredited ophthalmologists practicing in the Philippines. It is the National Organization of Eye MDs in the country. It is composed of eleven Chapter Societies spanning the entire country from Northern Luzon to Southern Mindanao. The PAO likewise has nine subspecialty societies, namely: Cornea Club of the Philippines, Neuro-Ophthalmology Club, Philippine Glaucoma Society, Philippine Society of Cataract & Refractive Surgery, Philippine Ocular Inflammation Society, Philippine Society of Pediatric Ophthalmology & Strabismus, Philippine Society of Ophthalmic Plastic & Reconstructive Surgery, Vitreo-Retina Society of the Philippines and Evidence-Based Interest Group in Ophthalmology.



Mission:

The Academy is an internationally-recognized specialty society of ophthalmologists in the Philippines that exists for the benefit and welfare of its members and the Filipino patients. It aims to ensure access to quality eye care, provided by its competent, qualified members. The Academy commits to continuously develop its members professionally through clinical education, research and practice management, in a collegial and harmonious environment, contributing to ethical, professional and compassionate practice. The Academy strives to sustain its commitment to its members and society by promoting growth of its membership and its assets, forging dynamic, relevant, current and innovative approaches to influence national and regional eye care.

Professional Practice Mission:

To uphold the technical and ethical standards of ophthalmology as a profession.

Moral / Social Mission:

To assume moral responsibility for the reduction and prevention of remediable blindness.

Educational Mission: To lead in the information dissemination and public education on primary eye care and preventable eye disease.

Membership Welfare: To protect and promote the professional needs of PAO Members and to ensure continuing medical education for PAO Members.

Vision:

The PAO will be the most admired medical society, recognized locally and internationally, as an exemplary professional development organization committed to the highest standards of patient care.

The PAO is one of the most active and high profile professional medical organizations in the Philippines. It is currently led by the following Executive Council Officers (years 2010 and 2011).

Member Organizations

Philippines

B) Council Members

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The Philippine Academy of Ophthalmology, INC. executive council officers.

Singapore Society of Ophthalmology



Singapore Society of Ophthalmology

A) Introduction

The Singapore Society of Ophthalmology (SSO) was established on 11 January 1963 under the umbrella of the Singapore Medical Association. The Society began with 13 members but has since grown to over 150 full members. All registered ophthalmologists, fellows and residents in training are members of the Society. The Society was established to promote interest and study in ophthalmology and to liaise with similar bodies in other countries.

Over the years, SSO has hosted as well as participated in many regional and world-wide ophthalmic congresses. The 26th Congress of the APAO was hosted by the SSO in 2006 to highly acclaimed success. In November this year, the SSO in partnership with the College of Ophthalmologists, Singapore and the Asia-Pacific Vitreoretina Society (APVRS), will host the 5th Congress of the APVRS. SSO also organizes annual joint meetings with the Malaysian Society of Ophthalmology and Indonesian Ophthalmologists Association.

Since the inauguration of the College of Ophthalmologists, Singapore in 2009, the main functions of the SSO have been to promote collegiality among its members; encourage and facilitate community outreach and humanitarian programmes in Singapore and regionally; maintain and build close ties with regional and international ophthalmic societies; contribute to regional and international organisations such as the APAO and International Council of Ophthalmology (IOC); as well as support the College in academic and professional matters, continuing education and congress activities. Through these efforts, the SSO hopes to continue serving the eye community, ensuring growth and development in a holistic way.

B) Council Members

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College of Ophthalmologists of Sri Lanka

A) Introduction

The College of Ophthalmologists of Sri Lanka is the only professional body of ophthalmologists in the country. It is the direct continuation of the Ophthalmological Society of Sri Lanka founded in 1957. It was established in 1991 and the office of the College is presently functioning at the National Eye Hospital, Colombo, which is the centre of excellence and the main training centre for ophthalmic post graduate trainees, ophthalmic technologists and ophthalmic nurses.



The Ophthalmological Society of Ceylon was formed by a group of interested clinicians who met at Victoria Memorial Eye Hospital on 1 December 1957 and was the second oldest Specialist Association in the country. Dr. WHD Ferdinands was the Founder President.

The first Annual Congress of the society was held in 1958 September at the Medical Research Institute, Colombo. Ophthalmologists from the Asia-Pacific Academy attended this congress. In keeping with the increasing academic demands of the Post Graduate Institute of Medicine, University of Colombo and the advancement of ophthalmic care in the country, the need for the formation of a college was felt and the College of Ophthalmologists of Sri Lanka was formed in 1991 with Dr. P. Sivasubramaniam as its Founder President. In 1992 Dr. P. Sivasubramaniam was inducted as the Founder President of the College.

The Journal of the College of Ophthalmologists of Sri Lanka was initiated with the formation of the College and the printing of the first edition was in 1993. It had two Editors, Dr. P. Sivasubramaniam being the Founder Editor. From 2001 the publication of the journal is done every six months to date. This is a peer reviewed journal.

The founder president Dr. P. Sivasubramaniam passed away when he was 86 years old in December 2002. The Dr. P. Sivasubramaniam Oration is delivered every year from the year 2003 by invitation. The Oration is dedicated to the memory of the most revered ophthalmologist of Sri Lanka.

The College successfully conducted the VIth and VIIth SAARC Ophthalmological Congresses with the Annual Scientific Sessions in 2000 and 2006.

B) Council Members

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Sri Lanka

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The group photo of the College of Ophthalmologists of Sri Lanka Council 2010.

The Royal College of Ophthalmologists of Thailand

A) Introduction

The Association of Ophthalmologists of Thailand was established in 1978 and became the Royal College of Ophthalmologists (RCOPT) of Thailand under the Royal Patronage of His Majesty King Bhumibol Adulyadej on June 12, 1995.

The executive committee of RCOPT consists of the president and 22 council members. The current president is Associate Professor Sudarat Yaisawang and there are 850 active members. The college convenes two congresses annually, in July and November respectively. Thai Journal of Ophthalmology is the official journal of the college.



The college is responsible for ophthalmology resident curriculum and conduct, Thai Board of Ophthalmology examination. The college also organizes scientific meetings and other public eye-health related activities, networks among ophthalmologists and provides fund and supports for academic and research activities. The college works very closely with Thai Medical Council in maintaining high moral and ethical standards of Thai ophthalmologists. Prevention of blindness and promotion of eye care is another vital role of the college in collaboration with both government and non-governmental organizations.

The college also plays active roles in international ophthalmology and has hosted several regional ophthalmology conferences. There were two APAO congresses in 1981 and 2003. The college also hosted other four major international congresses: the Inaugural Congress of South East Asian Glaucoma Interest Group (SEAGIG) in 2000, the second meeting of Asian Angle Closure Glaucoma Club (AACGC) in 2003, the Asian Oceanic Glaucoma Society (AOGS) in 2007, and the Asia-Pacific Association of Cataract and Refractive Surgeons (APACRS) in 2008.

B) Council Members

President:	Dr. Sudarat Yaisawang
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Secretary:	Dr. Sakchai Vongkittirux
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Member Organizations

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One of the many activities held by the Royal College of Ophthalmologists of Thailand.



The council members of the Royal College of Ophthalmologists of Thailand.

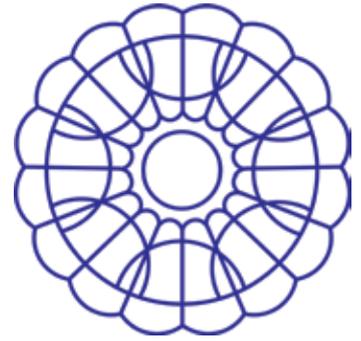
Member Organizations

Vietnam

Vietnam Ophthalmological Society

A) Introduction

The Vietnam Ophthalmological Society was founded in 1960 and this year we will celebrate the 50th anniversary in December. There were about 11 000 members, 25 local branches.



B) Council Members

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Group photo of the council members.

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LIST OF PAST CONGRESSES AND CONGRESS PRESIDENTS

APAO Golden Jubilee Celebration



Past Congresses and Congress Presidents

The main purpose of the Congress is not only to bring ophthalmologists in the Asia-Pacific Region together, but also to promote recent advancement in ophthalmology.

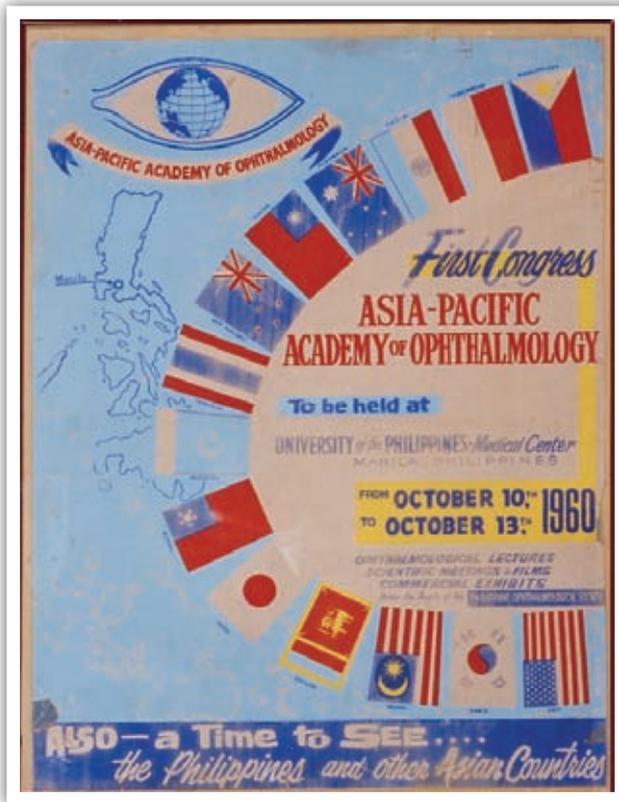
Initially, APAO Congresses were organized every four years. The pattern was kept for the first four APAO Congresses. Since 1972, the Congresses were organized every two years. To meet the growing demand for more frequent interactions in a fast changing world, the APAO Congresses will now be held annually, starting from 2006 in Singapore.

	Year	Place of the Congress	Congress President
1 st	1960	Manila, Philippines	Dr. Geminiano de Ocampo
2 nd	1964	Melbourne, Australia & New Zealand	Sir Norman Gregg
3 rd	1968	Singapore	Dr. Robert Loh
4 th	1972	Auckland, Australia & New Zealand	Dr. George Fenwick
5 th	1974	Colombo, Sri Lanka	Dr. P. Sivasubramaniam
6 th	1976	Bali, Indonesia	Professor Isak Salim
7 th	1979	Karachi, Pakistan	Professor Raja Mumtaz
8 th	1981	Bangkok, Thailand	Dr. Kobchai Prommindaroj
9 th	1983	Hong Kong	Dr. John Chang
10 th	1985	New Delhi, India	Dr. Agarwal Lalit Prakash
11 th	1987	Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia	Dato' Dr. Keshmahinder Singh
12 th	1989	Seoul, Korea	Professor Dong Ho Youn
13 th	1991	Kyoto, Japan	Professor Saiichi Mishima
14 th	1993	Dhaka, Bangladesh	Professor M. A. Matin
15 th	1995	Hong Kong	Professor Patrick Ho
16 th	1997	Kathmandu, Nepal	Dr. Ram Prasad Pokhrel
17 th	1999	Manila, Philippines	Professor Romeo V. Fajardo
18 th	2001	Chinese Taipei, Taiwan	Professor Por-Tying Hung
19 th	2003	Bangkok, Thailand	Professor Visuthe Tansirikongkol
20 th	2005	Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia	Dr. George Thomas
21 st	2006	Singapore	Dr. Steve Seah
22 nd	2007	Lahore, Pakistan	Professor Shad Muhammad
23 rd	2008	Hong Kong	Professor Dennis Lam
24 th	2009	Bali, Indonesia	Dr. Tjahjono Gondhowiardjo
25 th	2010	Beijing, China	Professor Xiaoxin Li

Highlights on some recent congresses:

Year	Place of the Congress	Attendance (by Number)	Attendance (by Country)	No. of Speakers (by Invitation)	No. of Invited Session
2006	Singapore	4,400	28	350	46
2007	Lahore, Pakistan	4,125	32	455	145
2008	Hong Kong	13,019	122	1,140	319
2009	Bali, Indonesia	4,636	78	502	122
2010	Beijing, China	7,000	62	640	165

Past Congresses



The official poster of the Manila Congress in 1960.



The First Congress of APAO, Manila, 1960.



The Second Congress of APAO, Melbourne, 1964.



Delegates being taught to throw a boomerang by an aborigine at the Melbourne Congress, 1964.



The Fourth Congress of APAO, Auckland, 1972.



Group photograph of the delegates to the Third APAO Congress in Singapore.

Past Congresses



Participants of the Ladies's Program at the Forth Congress held in Auckland, 1972.



The Fifth Congress of APAO, Colombo, 1974.



The Congress President, Dr. P. Sivasubramaniam, and the President of the Ophthalmological Society of Ceylon, Dr. P.A. Wirasinha, lighting the oil lamp prior to the Opening Ceremony of the Fifth Congress.



The Sixth Congress of APAO, Bali, 1976.



Discussion in the Bali Congress, 1976.



The Seventh APAO Congress in Karachi, 1979. President Zia-ul-Haq being introduced to Professor R. Mumtaz (Congress President), Dr. W.J. Holmes (President, APAO), Professor Jules Francois, International Council of Ophthalmology (President), and Professor A. Nakajima (Secretary-General, APAO) by Dr. J. Wania (Regional Secretary).

Past Congresses



At the Seventh APAO Congress, President Zia-ul-Haq viewing the First Scientific Exhibition held in Pakistan. Looking on are Dr. J. Wania and Professor R. Mumtaz.



The Eighth APAO Congress in Bangkok, 1981. Professor Kobchai Prommindaroj, the Congress President, and Professor Akira Nakajima, the Secretary-General could not resist showing their affection for each other.



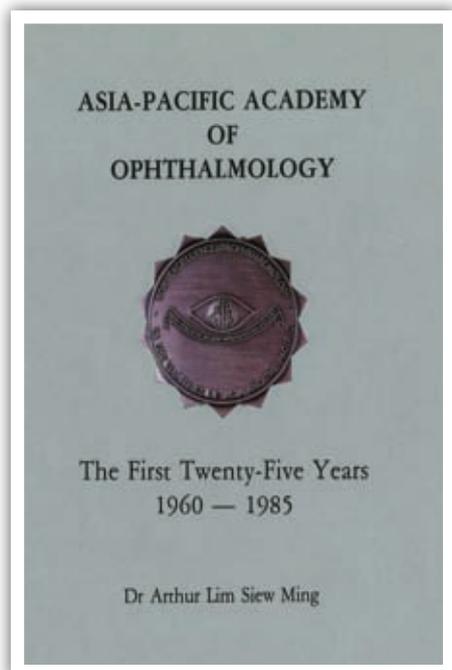
Dr. Pararajascgaram, the Academy President, and Professor K. Prommindaroj, the Congress President, warmly shaking hands at the Eighth APAO Congress in Bangkok, 1981.



The organisers of the Ninth APAO Congress in Hong Kong, 1983.



The officials of the APAO and the Hong Kong Organizing Committee at the Opening Ceremony. Datuk Dr. Keshmahinder Singh reading the citation on Dr. Arthur Lim prior to the presentation of the Jose Rizal Medal.



The publication celebrated the first 25 years of APAO at New Delhi Congress, 1985.

Past Congresses



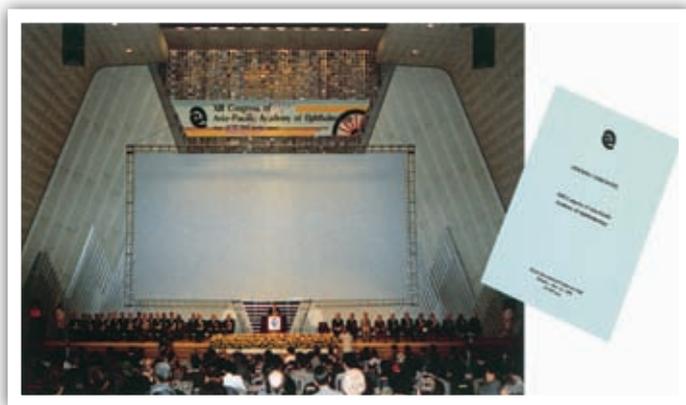
The 12th APAO Congress in Seoul, 1989



The certificate of attendance for 12th APAO Congress, 1989.



The APAO Council Members at Opening Ceremony in Kyoto, 1991.



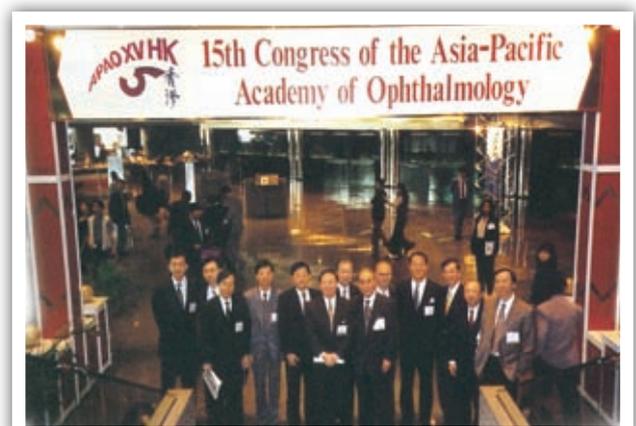
The 13th APAO Congress at Kyoto International Conference Hall, 1991.



The 14th APAO Congress in Bangladesh, 1993.



Discussion in the Bangladesh Congress, 1993.



The 15th Congress of APAO in Hong Kong, 1995.

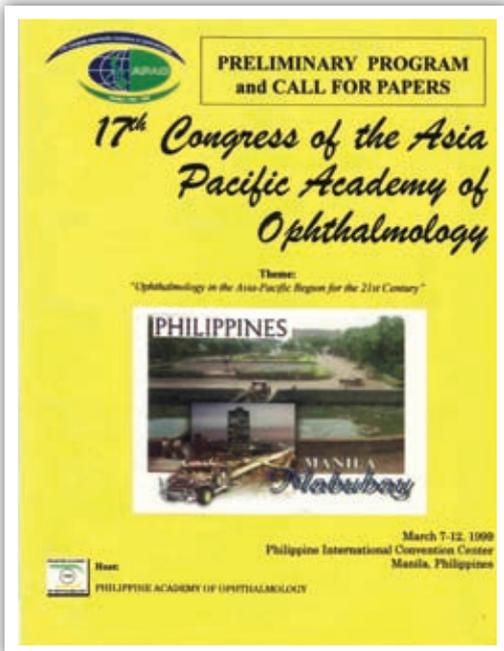
Past Congresses



His late Majesty King of Nepal inaugurating the 16th APAO Congress, 1997.



The 16th APAO Congress in Kathmandu, Nepal, 1997. (Left) Professor Silvaraj, the APAO President gave the Award, the token of Appreciation to Dr. Pokhrel.



Official poster of the 17th APAO Congress in Manila, 1999.



The 17th APAO Congress in Manila, 1999.



The 18th APAO Congress held in Taiwan, 2001.



Guests having lucky draw at the Farewell Dinner of the 18th Congress.

Past Congresses



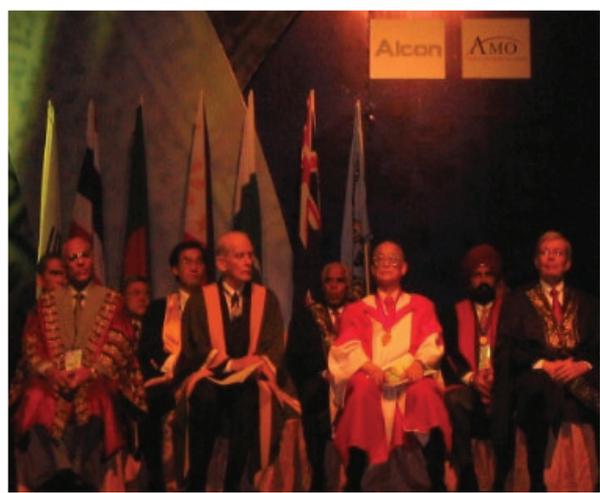
The 19th Congress of APAO in Bangkok, 2003.



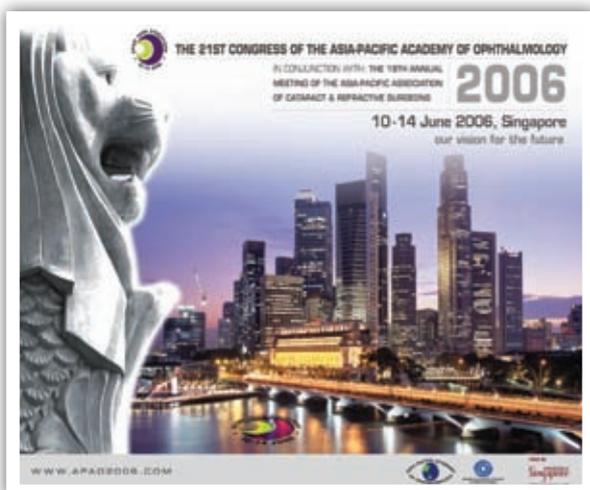
The 19th Congress of APAO in Bangkok, 2003.



The 20th Congress of APAO in Malaysia, 2005.



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The official poster of the 21st APAO Congress in Singapore, 2006.

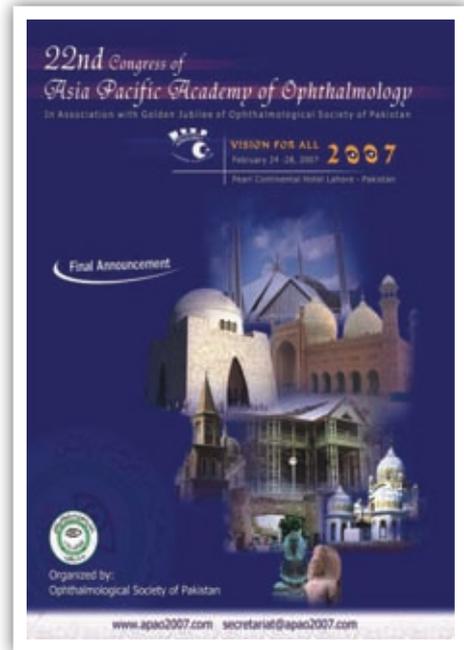


The 21st Congress of APAO in Singapore, 2006.

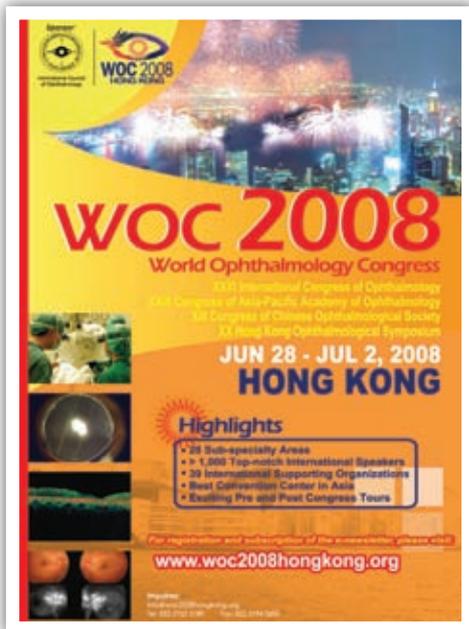
Past Congresses



The 22nd Congress of APAO in Pakistan, 2007.



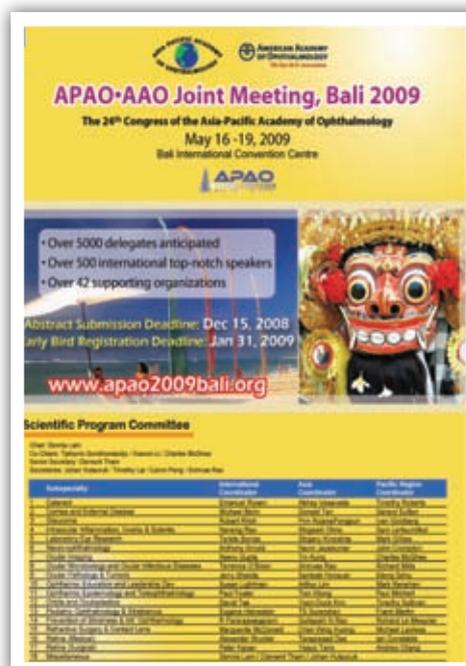
The official poster of the 22nd APAO Congress in Pakistan, 2007.



The World Ophthalmology Congress cum the 23rd APAO Congress in Hong Kong, 2008.



The World Ophthalmology Congress cum the 23rd APAO Congress in Hong Kong, 2008.



The official poster of the 24th APAO Congress in Bali, 2009.



Guests at the opening ceremony of Bali Congress, 2009.

AWARDS AND AWARDEES

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Awards and Awardees

A) APAO Awards

JOSE RIZAL MEDAL

YEAR	RECIPIENT	COUNTRY/TERRITORY
2010	Gullapalli Nag Rao	India
2008	Kazuichi Konyama	Japan
2007	Mohammad Daud Khan	Pakistan
2006	Govindappa Venkataswamy	India
2005	Frank A Billson	Australia
2003	Sivaguru Selvarajah	Malaysia
2001	Ian Constable	Australia
1999	Sang Wook Rhee	Korea
1997	Itaru Kurozumi	Japan
1995	R. Pararajasegaram	Sri Lanka
1993	M. A. Matin	Bangladesh
1991	Ram Prasad Pokhrel	Nepal
1989	Dato Dr. Keshmahinder Singh	Malaysia
1987	Akira Nakajima	Japan
1985	P. Siva Reddy	India
1983	Arthur Lim	Singapore
1981	Kobchai Prommindaroj	Thailand
1979	Ramzan Ali Syed	Pakistan
1976	Isak Salim	Indonesia
1974	P. Sivasubramaniam	Australia
1972	Ida Mann	Australia
1968	Geminiao de Ocampo	Philippines

JOSE RIZAL INTERNATIONAL MEDAL

YEAR	RECIPIENT	COUNTRY/TERRITORY
2010	Richard L. Abbott	USA
2009	Bruce E. Spivey	USA
2008	Stephen Ryan	USA
2005	Gottfried O. H. Naumann	Germany
2003	Bradley Straatsma	USA
2001	Alfred Sommer	USA
1999	Joaquin Barraquer	Spain
1997	Sir John Wilson & Lady Jean Wilson (double awards)	USA
1995	Carl Kupfer	USA
1991	A. Edward Maumenee	USA
1987	Barrie R. Jones	UK
1983	William John Holmes	USA
1979	(Baron) Jules Francois	Belgium

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DE OCAMPO LECTURE

<u>YEAR</u>	<u>RECIPIENT</u>	<u>COUNTRY/TERRITORY</u>
2010	Tien Yin Wong	Singapore
2009	Hugh R Taylor	Australia
2008	Yoshihito Honda	Japan
2007	Rajvardhan Azad	India
2006	Yozo Miyake	Japan
2005	Yasuo Tano	Japan
2003	Dennis Lam	Hong Kong
2001	Donald Tan	Singapore
1999	S.S. Badrinath	India
1997	Kanjiro Masuda	Japan
1995	Mark Tso	USA
1993	Sang Wook Rhee	Korea
1991	The late Jamshed Wania	Pakistan
1989	Ian Constable	Australia
1987	Saiichi Mishima	Japan
1985	D B Chandra	India
1983	Geminiao de Ocampo	Philippines

HOLMES LECTURE

<u>YEAR</u>	<u>RECIPIENT</u>	<u>COUNTRY/TERRITORY</u>
2010	Ching Lin Ho	Singapore
2009	Nathan Congdon	Hong Kong
2008	Xiaorong Li	China
2007	Yuan Jia Qin	China
2006	Gullapalli Nag Rao	India
2005	Shigeaki Ohno	Japan
2003	Zhao Jia Liang	China
2001	K Konyama	Japan
1999	Sivaguru Selvarajah	Malaysia
1997	Nguyen Trong Nhan	Vietnam
1995	Hugh Taylor	Australia
1993	Mardiono Marsetio	Indonesia
1991	Isamu Tsukahara	Japan
1989	Bon Sool Koo	Korea
1987	Arthur Lim	Singapore
1985	R Pararajasegaram	Sri Lanka
1983	William J. Holmes	USA

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SUSRUTA LECTURE

<u>YEAR</u>	<u>RECIPIENT</u>	<u>COUNTRY/TERRITORY</u>
2010	Xiao Rong Li	China
2009	Syed Imtiaz Ali	Pakistan
2008	Muhammad Shad	Pakistan
2007	Kensaku Miyake	Japan
2006	Sanduk Ruit	Nepal
2005	Gullapalli N. Rao	India
2003	Graham Barrett	Australia
2001	Jae Ho Kim	Korea
1999	Daud Khan	Pakistan
1997	G. Venkataswamy	India
1995	M. A. Matin	Bangladesh
1993	Arthur Lim	Singapore

NAKAJIMA AWARD

<u>YEAR</u>	<u>RECIPIENT</u>	<u>COUNTRY/TERRITORY</u>
2010	Christopher Leung	Hong Kong
2009	Masaru Inatani	Japan
2008	Timothy Lai	Hong Kong
2007	Tin Aung	Singapore
2006	Wai-man Chan	Hong Kong
2005	Clement Tham	Hong Kong

ARTHUR LIM AWARD

<u>YEAR</u>	<u>RECIPIENT</u>	<u>COUNTRY/TERRITORY</u>
2010	Tjahjono Gondhowiardjo	Indonesia
2009	Lixin Xie	China
2008	Ian J. Constable	Australia

ICO GOLDEN APPLE AWARD FOR THE BEST CLINICAL TEACHER IN OPHTHALMOLOGY IN THE ASIA-PACIFIC REGION

<u>YEAR</u>	<u>RECIPIENT</u>	<u>COUNTRY/TERRITORY</u>
2010	Ian J. Constable	Australia
2009	Selvarajah Sivaguru	Malaysia
2008	Ronald Lam Soon Yeoh	Singapore
2007	Xiao-xin Li	China
2006	S.S. Badrinath	India

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DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AWARD

<u>YEAR</u>	<u>RECIPIENT</u>	<u>COUNTRY/TERRITORY</u>
2010	Piseth Kong	Cambodia
	Amarin Mar	Cambodia
	Wei He	China
	Jia Qu	China
	Jorn-Hon Liu	Chinese Taipei
	Liang-Yen Wen	Chinese Taipei
	Pak Chin Chow	Hong Kong
	Nai Man Lam	Hong Kong
	Farida Sirlan	Indonesia
	Makoto Tamai	Japan
	Yutaka Tazawa	Japan
	Harish Chandra Jha	Nepal
	Govinda Prasad Paudyal	Nepal
	Hamid Mahmood	Pakistan
	Nasir Saeed	Pakistan
	Prasart Luksanapruk	Thailand
	Yosanan Yospaiboon	Thailand
Nhu Hon Do	Vietnam	
Thi Minh Chau Hoang	Vietnam	
2009	Xinghuai Sun	China
	Catherine Jui Ling Liu	Chinese Taipei
	Wen Chuan Wu	Chinese Taipei
	Donald Chai Fong Woo	Hong Kong
	Alvin Young	Hong Kong
	K.P.S. Malik	India
	Lalit Verma	India
	Darwan Madja Purba	Indonesia
	Kenji Kitahara (1941-2008)	Japan
	Shigeaki Ohno	Japan
	Suraj Shakya	Nepal
	Basant Raj Sharma	Nepal
	Awan ABDUL Aziz	Pakistan
	Jahangir Samina	Pakistan
	Heriberto P. Giballa	Phillipines
	Jesus M. Tamesis Jr	Phillipines
	Sopa Wattanaikorn	Thailand
Surain Wiriyasatiankun	Thailand	

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YEAR	RECIPIENT	COUNTRY/TERRITORY
2008	Ivan Goldberg	Australia
	Youxin Chen	China
	Jian Ge	China
	Da Wen Lu	Chinese Taipei
	Lin Ching Woung	Chinese Taipei
	Chung Chai Chi	Hong Kong
	Tao Yan Agnes Tse	Hong Kong
	Mohan Rajan	India
	Johan Hutauruk	Indonesia
	Yoshihisa Oguchi	Japan
	Badri Prasad Badhu	Nepal
	Raghunandan Byanju	Nepal
	Mohammad Idrees Adhi	Pakistan
	Wajid Ali Khan	Pakistan
	Chai Teck Choo	Singapore
	Ching Lin Ho	Singapore
Pornchai Simaroj	Thailand	
Chotibutr Supachai	Thailand	
2007	Mohammad A. Muhit	Bangladesh
	A.K.M.A. Muqtadir	Bangladesh
	Kanxing Zhao	China
	Philip Tsze-ho Lam	Hong Kong
	Benson Tse-on Cheung	Hong Kong
	Manish Nagpal	India
	Amod Gupta	India
	Mizuo Matsui	Japan
	Yoshitaka Ohnishi	Japan
	Seng Kheong Fang	Malaysia
	Anusiah Selvathurai	Malaysia
	Didya Prasad Pant	Nepal
	Deep Bahadur Karki	Nepal
	Nadeem Hafeez Butt	Pakistan
	Mohyuddin Wasif Kadri	Pakistan
	Paisan Ruamviboonsuk	Thailand
Sakchai Vongkittirux	Thailand	
2006	Nongnart Chan	Hong Kong
	Alvin Kwok	Hong Kong
	Taraprasad Das	India
	S Natarajan	India
	Bethel Indira Livingstone	Malaysia
	Ropilah Abdul Rahman	Malaysia
	Jeevan Kumar Shrestha	Nepal
	Syed Imtiaz Ali	Pakistan
	Zia-ul-islam	Pakistan
	Romulo N. Aguilar	Philippines

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YEAR	RECIPIENT	COUNTRY/TERRITORY
2006	Gloria D. Lim	Philippines
	Ataya Euswas	Thailand
	Prin Rojanapongpun	Thailand
2005	Peter McCluskey	Australia
	Geoffrey Crawford	Australia
	A H S Rahman	Bangladesh
	Md. Shahab Uddin	Bangladesh
	Jimmy Lai Shiu Ming	Hong Kong
	Chan Wai Nang, Clement	Hong Kong
	Tjahjono D Gondhowiardjo	Indonesia
	Yozo Miyake	Japan
	Chan Park	Korea
	Ki Ho Park	Korea
	Chul Hong	Korea
	O-Woong Kwon	Korea
	Sunu Dulal	Nepal
	Sanjaya Kumar Singh	Nepal
	Shad Mohammad	Pakistan
	Shafi Mohammad Jatoi	Pakistan
	Suhail Sarwar	Pakistan
	Ong Sze Guan	Singapore
	Wong Tien Yin	Singapore
	Edmund Wong	Singapore
Apichart Singalavanija	Thailand	
Ataya Euswas	Thailand	
Lalida Pariyakanok	Thailand	
Pinnita P Tanthuvanit	Thailand	
2003	Golam Mostafa Chowdhury	Bangladesh
	Raymond Kwok Kay Tse	Hong Kong
	Shichiro Sano	Japan
	Jung-II Moon	Korea
	Young Jae Hong	Korea
	George Thomas	Malaysia
	Dev Narayan Shah	Nepal
	Hem Chandra Jha	Nepal
	Nazir Ashraf Laghari	Pakistan
	Nazir Ashraf Laghari	Pakistan
	Dr. Conrado P Banzon	Philippines
	Liborio L Mangubat	Philippines
	Adrian Koh Hock Chuan	Singapore
	Cheocharn Wiriyaluppa	Thailand
	Dhaivadee Dulayajinda	Thailand
	Sukhuma Warrasak	Thailand
Jutalai Yanterdtham	Thailand	
Skowrat Kunavisarut	Thailand	

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YEAR	RECIPIENT	COUNTRY/TERRITORY
2001	Nitin Verma	Australia
	Douglas Coster	Australia
	Ho Chi Kin	Hong Kong
	Dennis S C Lam	Hong Kong
	Sugana Tjakrasudjatma	Indonesia
	Istiantoro	Indonesia
	Kanjiro Masua	Japan
	Dato Veera Ramani	Malaysia
	Gomathy Kumar Arumugam	Malaysia
	Tan Pooi Liew	Malaysia
	P Selvanayagi	Malaysia
	Chundak Tenzing	Nepal
	Indu Prasad Dhugel	Nepal
	Ramesh Pradhan	Nepal
	Kamal Bahadur Khadka	Nepal
	Saleh Memon	Pakistan
	Mohammed Aman Khan Safi	Pakistan
	Ziauddin Ahmed Shiekh	Pakistan
	M Yasin Khan Durrani	Pakistan
	Zhu Xiu-An	China
	Jimmy M Yan	China
	Steve Seah	Singapore
	Peter Tseng	Singapore
	Lin Ho-Ming	Taiwan
	Wen Liang-Yen	Taiwan
	Te-Tsaw Chen	Taiwan
	Ping-Kang Hou	Taiwan
	Wen-Ming Hsu	Taiwan
Liam-Yen Wen	Taiwan	
Visuthe Tansirikongkol	Thailand	
Pornsawat Nantawan	Thailand	
Yani Chiemchaisri	Thailand	
Watanee Jenchitr	Thailand	

YEAR	RECIPIENT	COUNTRY/TERRITORY
1999	Frank Martin	Australia
	Shi-yuan Zhang	China
	Prod Zi-liang Li	China
	Shao-zhen Li	China
	Prem Prakash	India
	G N Rao	India
	Daljit Singh	India
	H K Tewari	India
	S S Badinath	India
	Oh W Kwon	Korea
	Ha Bum Lee	Korea
	Jaeheung Lee	Korea

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YEAR	RECIPIENT	COUNTRY/TERRITORY
1999	Jin Hak Lee	Korea
	B P Adhikari	Nepal
	G P Pokhrel	Nepal
	D P Pradhan	Nepal
	K P Adhikari	Nepal
	Harron Awan	Pakistan
	A S de Leon	Philippines
	P M C Tuano	Philippines
	Pearl T Villalon	Philippines
	V Balakrishnan	Singapore
	Chan Wing Kwong	Singapore
	Paul Chew	Singapore
	Jorn-hon Liu	Taiwan
	N Sadudi	Thailand
V Sirsuphan	Thailand	
S Yaisawang	Thailand	
1997	Saleh Uddin	Bangladesh
	Syed Modasser Ali	Bangladesh
	Mobarak Ali	Bangladesh
	Yutho Uch	Cambodia
	Hui Siu Ping	Hong Kong
	P N Nagpal	India
	Keiki R Mehta	India
	Ranbir Mukherjee	India
	Istiantoro	Indonesia
	Guntur Bambang Hamurwono	Indonesia
	Yoshitaka Ohara	Japan
	Akihiko Tamai	Japan
	Fumio Kogure	Japan
	Atsushi Kanai	Japan
	Jenny P Deva	Malaysia
	Dunstan Fernandez	Malaysia
	Lee Yooi Chyun	Malaysia
	Shambhoo Prasad Lakhey	Nepal
	Sudarchan Prabhat Shrestha	Nepal
	Shashank Koirala	Nepal
	M Lateef Chaudhry	Pakistan
Manuel B Agulto	Philippines	
Donald Tan Tiang Hwee	Singapore	
Chew Sek Jin	Singapore	
Rampoei Krutkul	Thailand	
1995	Timothy K C Lau	Hong Kong
	P Kamacharya	Nepal
	V K Dada	India
	Khwaja Shariful Hasan	Pakistan

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YEAR	RECIPIENT	COUNTRY/TERRITORY
1995	K Zaman	Bangladesh
	Reggie Seimon	Sri Lanka
	Ronald Yeoh Lam Soon	Singapore
	Ang Chong Lye	Singapore
	Joon Kiu Choe	Korea
	Hyung Jeon Kim	Korea
	Justin O'Day	Australia
	Richard Cooper	Australia
1993	I Constable	Australia
	Patrick C P Ho	Hong Kong
	S R K Malik	India
	Jae Ho Kim	Korea
	Ram Prasad Pokhrel	Nepal
	Mohammad Daud Khan	Pakistan
	Roberto C Tan	Philippines
1989	Theo Keldoulis	Australia
	M Ahmed Sharif	Bangladesh
	Hu Cheng	China
	Kuo Ping Kuan	China
	Patrick C P Ho	Hong Kong
	G Venkataswamy	India
	Dong Ho Youn	Korea
	Madan P Upadhyay	Nepal
	Liang Shi Ko	Taiwan
	Nisit Leelawongs	Thailand
	Carl Kuper	USA
Nguyen Trong Nhan	Vietnam	
1987	Frank Billson	Australia
	Rabiul Husain	Bagladesh
	Li Feng Ming	China
	Winifred Mao	China
	Yan Jia-qin	China
	Shiv Raj Kumar Malik	India
	Jae Ho Kim	Korea
	Sang Wook Rhee	Korea
	Sivaguru Selvarajah	Malaysia
	Pall Singh	Malaysia
	Khoo Chong Yew	Singapore
	Victor Yong	Singapore
	Jorn Hon Liu	Taiwan
	Por Tying Hong	Taiwan

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YEAR	RECIPIENT	COUNTRY/TERRITORY
1985	S R K Malik	India
	P Awasthi	India
	Patrick S K Tong	Hong Kong
1981	I Constable	Australia
	G. Crock	Australia
	R F Lowe	Australia
	I F Robertson	Australia
	M A Matin	Bangladesh
	Myint Thein	Burma
	Eugene Chan	China
	Chang Ziao-Lou	China
	J C Chang	China
	Renald Ching	Hong Kong
	L P Agarwal	Hong Kong
	D B Chandra	India
	M Mohan	India
	P S Reddy	India
	S M Akmam	Indonesia
	M Marsetio	Indonesia
	S Sarwono	Indonesia
	Soedasono	Indonesia
	K Tamin-Radjamin	Indonesia
	K Konyama	Japan
	S Mishima	Japan
	I Tsukahar	Japan
	Boon Sool Koo	Korea
	K Singh	Malaysia
	G Fenwick	New Zealand
	Calvin Ring	New Zealand
	R P Pokhrel	Nepal
	T H Kirmani	Pakistan
	R Mumtaz	Pakistan
	J Wania	Pakistan
	R Espiritu	Philippines
	R V Fajardo	Philippines
G Lim	Philippines	
S Salceda	Philippines	
R Tan	Philippines	
A S M Lim	Singapore	
K H Lim	Singapore	
Robert C K Loh	Singapore	

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OUTSTANDING SERVICE IN PREVENTION OF BLINDNESS AWARD

<u>YEAR</u>	<u>RECIPIENT</u>	<u>COUNTRY/TERRITORY</u>
2010	Seiha Do	Cambodia
	Zhilan Yuan	China
	Da-Wen Lu	Chinese Taipei
	Paul Fan	Hong Kong
	Atsushi Kanai	Japan
	Tirtha Prasad Mishra	Nepal
	Syed Imtiaz Ali Shah	Pakistan
	Anant Boonyarangkul	Thailand
Nguyen Chi Dzung	Vietnam	
2009	Nitin Verma	Australia
	Zhengqin Yin	China
	Luke Long Kuang Lin	Chinese Taipei
	Kwok Chiu Chan	Hong Kong
	Tatyrao Pundlikrao Lahane	India
	Siti-Farida Santyowibowo	Indonesia
	Tadashi Hattori	Japan
	Bimal Kumar Poudyal	Nepal
	Sharif Hashmani	Pakistan
	Ma. Dominga B. Padilla	Phillipines
	Edmund Yick Mun Wong	Singapore
Supaluk Raiyawa	Thailand	
2008	Huaijin Guan	China
	Wen Ming Hsu	Chinese Taipei
	Wing Kun Tam	Hong Kong
	Junsuke Akura	Japan
	Yuddha Dhoj Sapkota	Nepal
	Muhammad Mukhtar Ahmed	Pakistan
	Kim Teck Yeo	Singapore
Suwat Kusakul	Thailand	
2007	Ashraful Karim Khan	Bangladesh
	Liang Xu	China
	Nathan Congdon	Hong Kong
	Shigeaki Ohno	Japan
	Ismail M.D. Salleh	Malaysia
	Saga Pratap Rana	Nepal
	Zafar Hassan Khawaja	Pakistan
	Prin Rojanapongpun	Thailand

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YEAR	RECIPIENT	COUNTRY/TERRITORY
2006	Srinivas Rao	Hong Kong
	Siu-ping Hui	Hong Kong
	Ghulamqadir Kazi	Pakistan
	Muhammad Yaqin	Pakistan
	Noel G. Chua	Philippines
	Evelyn R. Ambrosio	Philippines
	Pipat Kongsap	Thailand
	Veeraphan Thanaprachoom	Thailand
2005	Stephen Cains	Australia
	M A Halim Khan	Bangladesh
	Chow Pak Chin	Hong Kong
	Fan Shu Ping, Dorothy	Hong Kong
	Kyung Hwan SHIN	Korea
	William G Brohier	Malaysia
	Ghana Shyam Dangi	Nepal
	Hasan Minto	Pakistan
	Mohammad Babar Qureshi	Pakistan
	Achara Nitiapinyaskul	Thailand
	Kwanjai Wongkittirux	Thailand
	Patpong Gullayanon	Thailand
Adrian Koh Hock Chuan	Singapore	
2003	Aminoe Sp. M	Indonesia
	Keshmahinder Singh	Malaysia
	Madhu Soodan Dhakal	Nepal
	Asad Aslam Khan	Pakistan
	Dil Mohammad Mirza	Pakistan
	Evangeline O Olivar-Santos	Philippines
	Kadil M Sinolinding, Jr	Philippines
	Ho Ching Lin	Singapore
	Wong Tien Yin	Singapore
	Sonchai Wongwetsawa	Thailand
	Tienchai Prompubesara	Thailand
	Panet Panputhipong	Thailand
	Payorm Yuvanichanont	Thailand
	Prut Hanutsaha	Thailand

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<u>YEAR</u>	<u>RECIPIENT</u>	<u>COUNTRY/TERRITORY</u>
2001	Kazuichi Konyama	Japan
	Alan John	UK
	Allen Foster	UK
	Zaffar Hassan	Pakistan
	Jehandad Khan	Pakistan
	Daud M Khan	Pakistan
	Raja Mumtaz	Pakistan
	Frank Billson	Australia
	Hugh Taylor	Australia
	M A Matin	Bangladesh
	Rabiul Husain	Bangladesh
	Jae-Ho Kim	Korea
	Sang-Wong Rhee	Korea
	Pall Singh	Malaysia
	Selvarajah Selvarajah	Malaysia
	Ang Chong Lye	Singapore
	Charity Wai	Singapore
	Tan Geok Tian	Singapore
	Mark Tso	USA

B) APAO Achievement Award

Individuals who have registered for the APAO Online Membership are entitled to participate in the Achievement Award Program. This program is set up to recognize individuals for their time and contribution to the scientific programs of the APAO congresses. The program is based on a cumulative point system. Individuals are automatically nominated and presented to the APAO Awards Selection Committee. A two-thirds majority vote of the Committee is required to approve an individual for an Achievement Award. This Achievement Award is firstly presented in 2010.

<u>YEAR</u>	<u>RECIPIENT</u>	<u>COUNTRY/TERRITORY</u>
2010	Jian Ge	China
	Ningli Wang	China
	Dennis Lam	Hong Kong
	Christopher Leung	Hong Kong
	Dexter Leung	Hong Kong
	Clement Tham	Hong Kong
	Tin Qung	Singapore
	Carol Shields	USA
	Jerry Shields	USA

LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM

APAO Golden Jubilee Celebration



Leadership Development Program

The Leadership Development Program (LDP) aims to provide both orientation and skill development to future leaders of Ophthalmology in the Asia-Pacific region. It helps to identify individuals with the potential to become leaders in Ophthalmology, to provide orientation and skills to allow potential leaders to promote Ophthalmology locally and regionally, to facilitate the promotion of program graduates into leadership positions both locally and regionally, and the most importantly, to build a culture to serve the Ophthalmology society.

LDP Committee

Convener: Dr. Philip Lam (APAO Deputy Secretary-General, Hong Kong)
Deputy Convener: Professor Frank Martin (APAO President, Australia)
Ex-officio Member: Professor Dennis Lam (APAO Secretary-General, Hong Kong)
Members: Dr. Sundaram Natarajan (Graduate of the AAO LAP, India)
Dr. Jun Shyan Wong (Graduate of the AAO LAP, Malaysia)

With the advice and support from Dr. Michael Brennan, Past President of the American Academy of Ophthalmology, the LDP was inaugurated in 2009 at the 24th Congress, Bali, Indonesia. Thirty-one participants nominated by member organizations and council members were selected by the LDP Committee to participate in this first intake becoming the Class of 2009-10. Professor Bruce Spivey, ICO President, and Dr. Michael Brennan, gave their encouragement to the future leaders. Dr. Zelia Correa, Dr. Mary Lawrence, Dr. Sundaram Natarajah and Dr. Jun S. Wong shared their experience on leadership programs and their LDP projects.



The veteran doctors shared their experiences in the Leadership Development Program.

The participants attended the induction session, scientific sessions at the congress and began their self-initiated projects. They submitted their project briefs to the Secretariat in January 2010 and shall present their projects at the 25th Congress, Beijing, China on 19 September 2010.

**PROFESSOR
YASUO TANO
TRAVEL GRANT**

APAO Golden Jubilee Celebration



Professor Yasuo Tano Travel Grant



The sudden passing of Professor Yasuo Tano on January 31, 2009 in Osaka at the age of 60 shocked the entire ophthalmic community in the world. His departure is a huge and sorrowful loss to his family, patients, students, and friends, and to both eye care professionals and eye disease sufferers worldwide.

Professor Tano was a vitreo-retinal specialist and the Chair Professor of the Department of Ophthalmology of Osaka University Medical School. His leadership has been pivotal in the development of ophthalmology in not just Japan and Asia-Pacific region but all over the world. He played very key and active roles in many international and regional ophthalmological societies. Amongst his key responsibilities, he was the Treasurer of International Council of Ophthalmology (ICO), the President of Asia-Pacific Academy of Ophthalmology (APAO), and the Founding President of Asia-Pacific Vitreo-Retina Society (APVRS).

Professor Tano's achievements were phenomenal and his impact worldwide. His great leadership had inspired generations of ophthalmologists and eye care professionals in the Asia-Pacific region and beyond. Professor Tano will always be remembered as a person of great integrity, a caring eye specialist, an outstanding surgeon, a dedicated teacher, an accomplished researcher, and a prolific writer. His immense contributions to vitreo-retinal surgery, and his highly acclaimed leadership in international ophthalmology, will be fondly remembered by generations of ophthalmologists to come.

With the aims to support young ophthalmologists to attend APAO annual congresses, to enable them to equip themselves with update knowledge and technique, APAO has decided to establish the Professor Yasuo Tano Travel Grant in 2009 to continue Professor Tano's spirits and contributions to the ophthalmology society.

The set up of the Professor Yasuo Tano Travel Grant is to memorize this important leader of us, and more importantly, with his remains cremated and his soul left for the field, his role-modeling is to remain forever.

THE ROAD AHEAD

APAO Golden Jubilee Celebration



The Road Ahead

When APAO was founded in September 1958, no one could have imagined how much the ophthalmic community in the Asia-Pacific region would have achieved in the ensuing five decades. With our collective efforts, we have surely come a very long way. We should be very grateful to our predecessors for what they have achieved, and very proud of what we are able to pass on to our future generations.

The Asia-Pacific region has made immense strides in economic and infrastructural developments in the last 50 years. Alongside these developments, many of our ophthalmic centers have matured into highly respected world-class institutions, contributing significantly to world ophthalmology in many areas of clinical services, training, and research. There are still, however, countries and areas within the Asia-Pacific region that are yet to fully reap the rewards of rapid developments. These are often densely populated areas with still suboptimal level of ophthalmic care. APAO has a huge potential role to help these countries and areas reach an adequate level of ophthalmic care. This has been one of the key goals of APAO in the past and in the years to come.

One effective means to achieve this goal is the **APAO Fellowship Program**. The APAO Fellowship Program aims to help promising young ophthalmologists from developing nations broaden their skills, knowledge, and experience in clinical ophthalmology. Fellows are expected to bring their acquired knowledge and skills back to their native countries and participate in blindness-prevention programs. To achieve these ambitious aims, the APAO will allocate more some resources for the Fellowship Program. The success of the Fellowship Program relies heavily on the generous participation of distinguished and esteemed ophthalmology training centers (APAO Host Institutes) in the region and around the world. The APAO Fellowship Board will stay in close contact with the APAO Host Institutes and the Fellows during their Fellowship in order to ensure the best possible training for the Fellows. Fellowships will be offered in comprehensive ophthalmology as well as in subspecialties, such as pediatric ophthalmology, medical and/or surgical retina, cataract surgery, cornea & external diseases, glaucoma, neuro-ophthalmology, ocular oncology, uveitis, and strabismus. The relevance of the training programs to the candidates' home institutions and countries is of special importance.

In addition to the APAO Fellowship Program, modern online technologies may also play a key role in allowing developing regions to benefit from the ophthalmic expertise, training and education provided by the leading institutions within the Asia-Pacific or around the world. The **APAO Online Education Program** aims to bring virtual ophthalmic training and education to the eye care professionals in developing regions, through uploaded seminars and grand rounds, ophthalmic photo and video libraries, and online expert discussion forums. Modern technologies allow us to provide training and education of the highest caliber to distant corners of the world very cost effectively and on a continuous and sustainable basis. Both the APAO Fellowship Program and the APAO Online Education Program will make major synergistic contributions, in terms of training and education, to the efforts of the **APAO Prevention of Blindness Program**.

The Road Ahead

Apart from helping less privileged countries to provide adequate basic ophthalmic care, APAO continues to play a key role in providing the right environment for leading ophthalmic centers within the Asia-Pacific region to reach even greater heights and international acclaim. The official **APAO Journal** aims, on the one hand to showcase the best research work from the region, and also top-notch publications of greatest relevance to the region; on the other hand, it targets at building this into an international platform for publication of first class research from around the world. It has for so long been the dream of many of our forefathers to have a top international ophthalmology journal that we can call our own, with special emphasis on diseases, treatments and healthcare issues that are of greatest importance to our region.

Long-term regional developments depend on visionary leaders. The **APAO Leadership Development Program** was established in 2009, with the aim of identifying and nurturing the future leaders of the ophthalmic communities of our region. Through self-initiated community and healthcare projects, our younger generations learn to identify needs, organize local projects, and to shoulder professional responsibilities. The fraternity arising from this program also allows our future ophthalmic leaders to commence lifelong friendships and collaborations at an early stage of their careers.

There are no doubt abundant challenges and opportunities along the road ahead, many of which we cannot possibly imagine here and now. With collective efforts and good will, we should be very confident in our abilities to meet every challenge. In the next 50 years, we and our coming generations will continue to write memorable chapters in the history of ophthalmic developments in the Asia-Pacific region, in the same way that our predecessors have so wonderfully accomplished.

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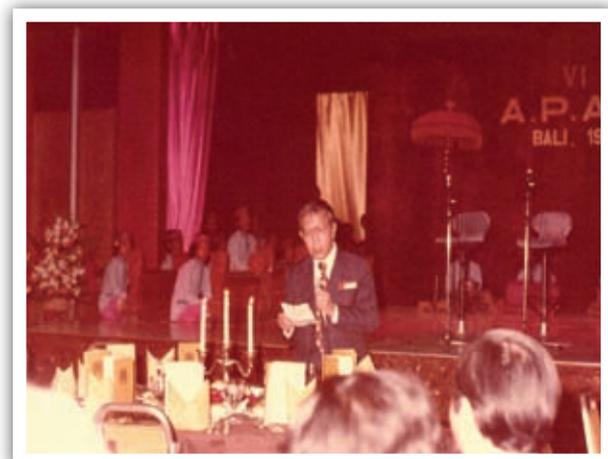
Members who attended the First APAO congress held in Manila, October 1960.



The party at the First APAO Congress. Left to Right: Dr. K. Daeng, Mrs. R.F. Lowe, Dr. R.F. Lowe, Professor K. Prommindarjoj, Mrs. K. Daeng and Mrs. K. Prommindarjoj.



Fourth APAO Congress in Auckland, 1972. Seen here are Dr. George Fenwick, Dr. Ronald Lowe and Professor Barrie Jones, the Professor of Clinical Ophthalmology at the University of London.



Professor Isak Salim, the Congress President, gave a speech in the welcome dinner of the Bali Congress, 1976.



Fifth APAO Congress in Ceylon, 1974. The Academy President, Professor A. Nakajima, leading officials and delegates to the Opening Ceremony.

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Professor A. Nakajima, the Academy President, addressing the First Session of the Fifth APAO Congress. Beside him is Dr. P. Sivasubramaniam, the Congress President.



Sixth APAO Congress in Bali, 1976.



Professor Jules Francois and Professor Kobchai Prommindaroj flanked by a Thai beauty, in the Bangkok Congress 1981.



A delightful cultural show of Pakistani dances in Karachi, 1979.

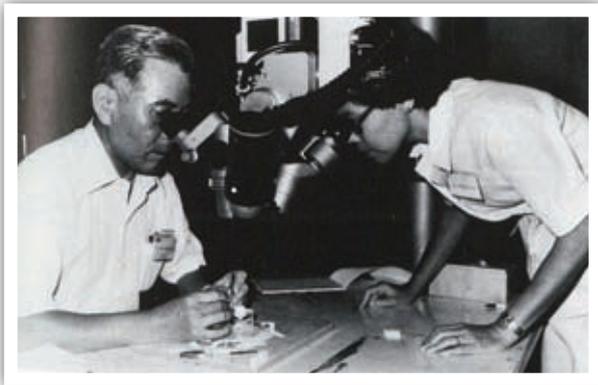


The crowd at the Opening Ceremony of the Hong Kong Congress, 1983.



APAO Council Meeting at the Dusit Thani Hotel in Bangkok.

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Mircosurgical Workshops and teaching sessions taken place at the congresses.



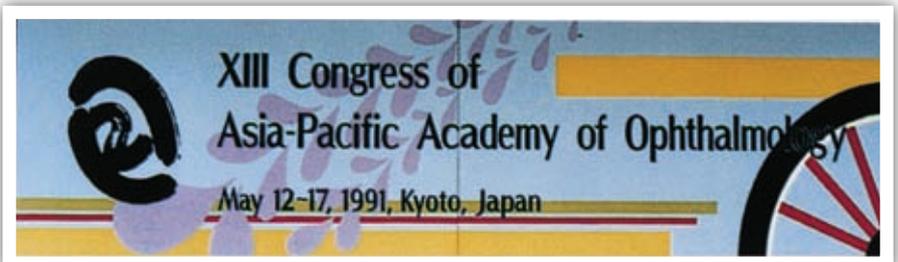
Ophthalmologists learn microsurgery by practising on animal's eyes.



The inaugural ceremony of the 12th APAO Congress, 1989.



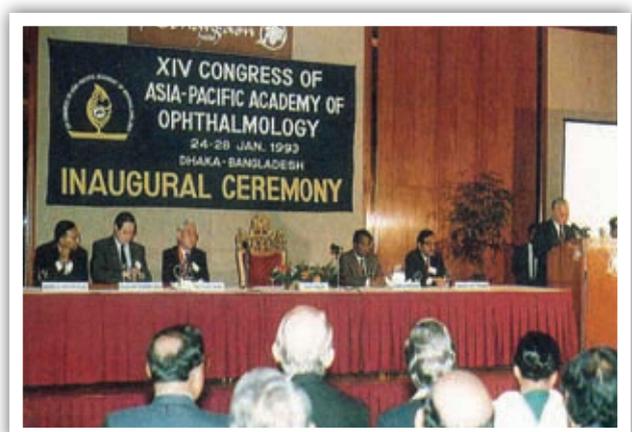
The opening of Japanese Sake Barrel in the Kyoto Congress.



The signboard of the congress in Kyoto, 1991.



The opening ceremony of the Exhibition, in the Kyoto Congress.



Honorable President, People's Republic of Bangladesh delivered the Inaugural speech and inaugurated the 14th APAO Congress in Bangladesh.

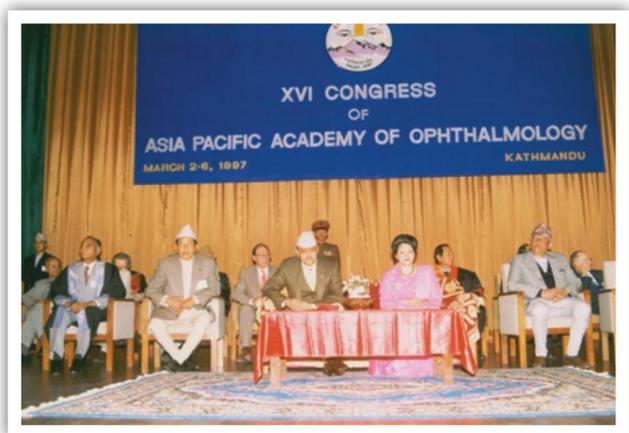
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The 14th Congress in Dhaka, 1993. Jose Risal Medal, the highest award of APAO was awarded to Professor M.A. Matin in recognition of his services to ophthalmology and APAO.



Junior ophthalmologist with Professor M.A. Matin and Professor Ava Hossain in a photo session of APAO Congress 1993.



The 16th Kathmandu Congress in 1997.

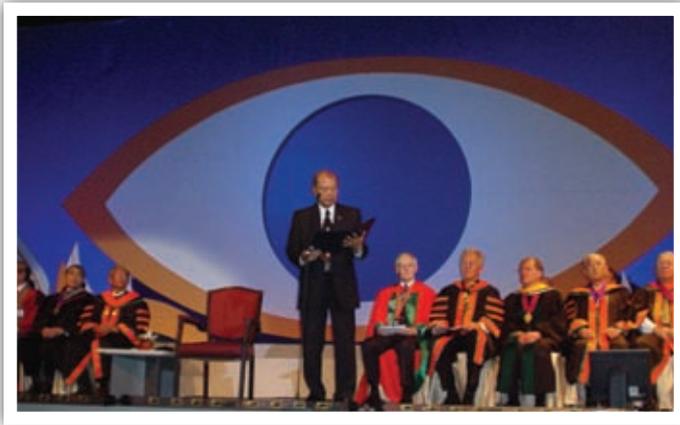


Picture showing Professor Arthur Lim walking thru art exhibit at 17th congress: left to right: Dr. Princess Fermin, Professor Alejandro de Leon, Professor Romeo Fajardo, Congress President of the 17th congress and Professor Arthur Lim, Secretary General of APAO.



The publications of the Taipei Congress and the Chinese Taipei Ophthalmological Society.

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The Bangkok Congress in 2003.



The performance in the Kuala Lumpur Congress, 2005.



The Opening Ceremony of the Singapore Congress, 2006.



The Inauguration Ceremony of the Lahore Congress, 2007.



The Inauguration Ceremony of the Lahore Congress.

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The 23rd APAO Congress cum WOC in 2008, Delegates from all over the world came to Hong Kong.



The Council Members at the Opening Ceremony of Hong Kong Congress.



The grand Exhibition during the Hong Kong Congress.



The dragon dancing performance in the ceremony gave everyone a big grin.



Snap at the traditional Chinese setting during 23rd congress.



Professor Dennis Lam, the Secretary-General and CEO of APAO, flew the WOC flag.

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The 24th Congress of APAO in Bali, 2009.



The Exhibition during the Bali Congress.



The Opening Ceremony of the Bali Congress, 2009.



The new interesting musical instrument sent joyous notes to all the delegates.



Gala Dinner at the Bali Congress.

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