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## Malaysia is ready for the 5<sup>th</sup> FAOPS Congress

After several years of planning and preparing, the Malaysian Society of Pharmacology and Physiology (MSPP) is now ready for the 5<sup>th</sup> FAOPS Congress to be held in Kuala Lumpur during September 23-26, 2002. Assoc. Prof. Harbindar Jeet Singh reported at the FAOPS Council meeting in Christchurch, New Zealand on August 27, 2001 that the organizing committee had decided to change the number of the congress from the 4th FAOPS Congress as previously announced to "the 5th Scientific Congress of FAOPS" so as to keep in sequence with the previous congresses. The congress will be held jointly with the 17<sup>th</sup> Scientific meeting of MSPP. He added that the University of Malaya Center for Continuing Education (UMCCed), which is a non-profit organization and has more experiences, had been appointed to run and organize the congress.

The venue is tentatively at the complex on the University of Malaya campus. The scientific program is almost finalized. It fully occupies four full days featuring 8 plenary lectures, 20 symposia, both oral and poster presentations, and a round table discussion on physiology teaching (for detail see page 8). There will also be a pre-congress workshop

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FAOPS Council meeting: (from left) R Pack, HJ Singh, XL yang, PSG Wang, KW Kim, C Pholpramool, JA Young, A Kaneko, and M Ito

#### **Editorial**

#### **Season Greetings!**

The world shock tragedy on September 11<sup>th</sup> this year did a lot of damages not only to many innocent lives, properties, and world economy, but it also threatened peace. It brought up fear, and insecurity for international travelers. This hampers many scientists especially from the US to join several recent international meetings. It is hoped that the war in Afghanistan is limited within the country and will be ended very soon. Next year FAOPS will have its 5<sup>th</sup> congress in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia. The tension of war will do no good to the meeting and, of course, to everyone.

In this issue, the draft of the minutes of the FAOPS Council meeting in Christchurch on August 27, 2001 is reported. One important move concerning the newsletter is the unanimous opinion among the council to further reduce the number of publication of the hard copies for circulation so as to reduce the cost of postage. Currently, the newsletter is sent by e-mail in PDF format to the Physiological Society of Japan, where it is printed and distributed to members. Other societies are asked to adopt the same practice. The request is well accepted by the Chinese Association for Physiological Sciences and the Korean Physiological Society, and, recently, by the Australian Physiological and Pharmacological Society. So, if your society would like to join in this scheme please let me know. You may also download the PDF file from our web site. In view of the present economic crisis, I pledge that as many adhering bodies as possible should join in this campaign.

#### MERRY CHRISTMAS AND HAPPY NEW YEAR!

Chumpol Pholpramool, Ph.D.

The Editor

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## 1st NNI-NUS Neuroscience Symposium 2002 14-16 March 2002 Singapore

The program includes:

- a **PUBLIC FORUM** to educate and inspire students and the public of the exciting discoveries in neuroscience research on 13 March at the National University of Singapore,
- the **SCIENTIFIC SYMPOSIUM** covering 4 main themes, i.e.
  - Ion Channel and Receptor Physiology
  - Development, Degeneration & Regeneration
  - Neurogenetics
  - Cognition & Pain
- a half-day satellite **CLINICAL MEETING** on clinical neuroscience.

Secretariat: c/o National Neuroscience Institute.

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## Minutes of the 8th FAOPS Council Meeting

Sala Sala Restaurant, Christchurch, New Zealand 11.00 a.m. – 2.00 p.m., 27 August, 2001

**Present:** Professors JA Young (President), M Ito (Past President), A Kaneko (Secretary), PSG Wang (Treasurer), W Kim, R Pack, XL Yang, HJ Singh (on behalf of Professor HS Cheah) and C Pholpramool (Chairman of the Publication Committee)

#### 1. Apologies:

Professors F Motamedi, HS Cheah, T Glinsukon, VM Kumar, R Rahamimoff

#### 2. Welcome:

Professor JA Young (President ) welcomed the Council Members who were in attendance.

#### 3. Minutes of the previous meeting

The minutes of the previous meeting were adopted as being a true record.

#### 4. Report of the Treasurer

The Treasurer, Professor Wang, presented a financial statement for the period from 1 September 2000 – 31 July 2001. Income for the period was US\$10,950.80. Expenditure was US\$1,434.00 relating to the 7<sup>th</sup> FAOPS Council Meeting and the International Program Committee Meeting for the 2002 FAOPS Congress on November 19, 2000 in Kuala

Lumpur. A balance of US\$43,593.80 remained.

The financial statement was adopted. The President stressed the necessity to raise the FAOPS fund to support the 2002 FAOPS Congress in Kuala Lumpur.

#### 5. Report of the Secretary

Professor Kaneko reported on the activities that he had undertaken since the last Council meeting held in Kuala Lumpur.

- Preparation for 8<sup>th</sup> FAOPS Executive and Council Meeting
- The collection of information from the various member societies
- Management of the Young Investigators Award (detailed report listed as item 7)

#### 6. Report of the Publication Committee

Professor Pholpramool (Chairman, Publication Committee) had circulated a report on the publication of the FAOPS Newsletter and a financial report on the publication account for the period 1 October 2000 to 31 August 2001.





Group photos of the Council: Left; R Pack (back view), JA Young, A Kaneko and M Ito. Right; (from left) R Pack, XL Yang, PSG Wang, KW Kim, A Kaneko, JA Young, M Ito, and C Pholpramool

• The opening account balance on 1 October 2000 was US\$454.75. This had been increased by the advertising revenue from ADInstrument Incorporated of US\$500, bringing the balance to US\$954.75. The cost of publication of Volume 9, No. 2 through to Volume 10, No. 1 was US\$2,297.60, leaving a final balance in debt of US\$1,342.85.

The report was adopted. The FAOPS Newsletter is currently sent by e-mail in PDF format to the Physiological Society of Japan, where it is printed and distributed to members. The Physiological Society of Japan covers all expenses involved, thereby reducing costs to FAOPS. To further reduce publication costs it has been asked whether it is possible to expand distribution in electronic form to the office of other member societies where it is printed and distributed as a part of the newsletter of each member societies. The Chinese Association for Physiological Sciences and the Korean Physiological Society agreed to accept this system. The Secretary will re-investigate the necessary number of copies to be sent to each member societies by the postal mail.

# 7. Young Investigators Awards (YIA) to support young Asian investigators travelling to the IUPS Congress 2001

Professor Kaneko reported that in consultation with the President, Professor Young, he selected 9 young investigators from Asia who were unsuccessful candidates for the IUPS YIA based on the recommendation of home societies they belong. Each awardee was given JPYen 220,000 equivalent. In addition, 3 senior members who were under a very difficult financial condition were given US\$1,000 each from the remaining fund and the President retained approximately US\$2,000 left over from the FAOPS Congress held in Brisbane. They are from Vietnam, Papua New Guinea and Indonesia. On-site fellowship management has been greatly assisted by the Executive Director of the IUPS Congress 2001, Dr. Paul Hill.

## 8. Report on the preparation of the FAOPS Congress in Kuala Lumpur in 2002

Dr. H J Singh presented the report on the planned fifth FAOPS Congress on behalf of the local organizing committee. A change in venue to the University campus has been proposed, and the Council has accepted the proposed change. The Council discussed their concern about the finance of the Congress. It has been agreed that FAOPS can spend a maximum of US\$25,000 in connection with the Congress, for (1) air fares for those members of Council who are unable to access alternative sources of funding (approximately US\$10,000), (2) support for a teaching workshop (US\$3,000 maximum), (3) to cover special Congress activities e.g. waiving registration fees of young scientists from developing countries (US\$3,000 maximum), and (4) travel grants to young physiologists from the developing countries in Asia to attend the meeting (US\$9,000).

The Council decided to ask the chairman of the local organizing committee, Professor Cheah, to present costing of the planned teaching workshop.

## **9.** Appointment of the chairperson of Nominating Committee

Of the members appointed by the Council to form the Nominating Committee in the last Council meeting in Kuala Lumpur, Professor M Ito has been asked to serve the chairperson of the Committee. Professor Ito has accepted the chair.

The meeting closed at 2.00 p.m. on 27 August 2001.

The next FAOPS Council meeting would be held in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia, in conjunction with the FAOPS Congress 2002. The Secretary will work out details and Council members will be notified in advance.

## MEETING CALENDAR

## **2<sup>nd</sup> International Huaxia Congress of Endocrinology**

Hong Kong SAR, China December 14-17, 2001

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Kowloon, Hong Kong Tel: +852-2369-9052-4 Fax: +852-2723-9044 Email: pc@pctoursshk.com

Web: www.endocrine-hk.org/huaxia2001

## **28**<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference of the International Embryo Transfer Society

Foz do Iguacu, Brazil January 12-15, 2002

Contact: Web: www.iets.org/2002/

#### APS Conference on "Physiological Genomics of Cardiovascular Disease: from Technology to Physiology"

San Francisco, California, USA

February 20-23, 2002 Contact: Linda Allen

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Bethesda, MD 20814-3991, USA

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aps.org/meetings/aps/san\_francisco/home.

<u>htm</u>

#### 1st NNI-NUS Neuroscience Symposium 2002

Singapore

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# **4**th International Congress and **8**th Biennial Scientific Conference of Pakistan Physiological Society

Nishter Medical College Multan, Pakistan

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#### 4th International Congress of Pathophysiology

Budapest, Hungary June 29- July 5, 2002

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## 18th Annual Meeting of the European Society of Human Reproduction and Embryology

Vienna, Austria

June 30- July 3, 2002

Contact: ESHRE Central Office

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#### XIVth World Congress of Pharmacology

San Francisco, California USA

July 7-12, 2002

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## **Sixth International Symposium on Reproduction in Domestic Ruminants**

Scotland, UK August 14-17, 2002

Contact: Dr. Bruce Campbell

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Web: www.ssf.org.uk

## **22<sup>nd</sup> Meeting of the European Society for Microcirculation**

Devon, UK

August 28-30, 2002

Contact: Hampton Medical Conferences Ltd

127 High Street, Teddington Middlesex, TW11 8HH, UK

Email: <a href="mailto:esm@hamptonmedical.com">esm@hamptonmedical.com</a>
Web: <a href="mailto:www.medizin.fu-berlin.de/esm">www.medizin.fu-berlin.de/esm</a>

#### **5**<sup>th</sup> International Congress of Neuroendocrinology

Bristol. UK

August 31- September 4, 2002

Contact: Helen Gregson or Victoria Withy

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#### 5th FAOPS Congress

Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia September 23-26, 2002 Contact: Ms. Gowri

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Korea

September 28- October 1, 2002 Contact: <a href="mailto:yhsuh@plaza.snu.ac.kr">yhsuh@plaza.snu.ac.kr</a> Tel: +82-2-7408292

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## 58th Annual Meeting of the American Society for Reproductive Medicine

Seattle, Washington, USA October 12-17, 2002

Contact: American Society for Reproductive

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Birmingham, Alabama 35216-2809

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Tel: +1-205-978-5000 Fax: +1-205-978-5005 Email: <u>asrm@asrm.org</u> Web: <u>www.asrm.org</u>

## 4<sup>th</sup> HUGO Pacific Meeting and 5<sup>th</sup> Asia-Pacific Conference on Human Genetics

Pattaya (Chonburi), Thailand

October 27-30, 2002

Contact: Institute of Science and Technology for Research and Development Mahidol University, Salaya Campus 25/25 Phutthamonthon 4<sup>th</sup> Road

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## 5th FAOPS SCIENTIFIC CONGRESS 2002

#### SELAMAT DATANG KE KUALA LUMPUR!

#### **INVITATION**

You are cordially invited to attend the 5th FAOPS Scientific Congress 2002 to be held in Kuala Lumpur from 23- 26 September 2002. This congress will be hosted by The Malaysian Society of Pharmacology and Physiology (MSPP) in collaboration with the Federation of the Asian and Oceanian Physiological Societies (FAOPS).

#### **SCIENTIFIC PROGRAM** (for details see page 8)

An exciting scientific program has been planned and they consist of:

- 1. Four plenary lectures by leading speakers from the region and the rest of the world.
- 2. Twenty symposia conducted by experts in their respective field.
- 3. Several sessions of oral and poster presentations.

#### PRE-CONGRESS WORKSHOPS

Pre-congress workshops are scheduled to be held before the Congress from 16-22 September, 2002. They are:

- Computer Aided Learning in Physiology Education
- Problem-based Learning in Physiology Education

#### **EXHIBITION**

An exhibition of medical equipment will be held in conjunction with the conference.

#### **COSTS**

The registration fee will be approximately US\$200-250. Limited financial assistance will be made available.

The cost of travel and subsistence in Malaysia is relatively cheap. There is a wide variety of hotels from budget to 5-star luxury: room rates start at about US\$15 in budget hotels in Kuala Lumpur. We are negotiating special rates for participants. Food can be found at varying prices: one can eat quite well from as low as US\$3 per day.

#### **SOCIAL PROGRAMS**

The social program will include a welcome reception and a congress dinner. Tours will also be conducted for the participants at reasonable prices.

#### **ABOUT MALAYSIA**

Malaysia is a microcosm of Asia. The multi-ethnic, multicultural melting-pot not to mention the various cuisine from all over the world offered will provide a fascinating experience for visitors. Beaches, mountains and hill resorts, natural wonders, coral reefs: all are within striking distance of cosmopolitan and bustling Kuala Lumpur. Shopping at competitive prices can be found in modern complexes or in ethnic neighborhoods.

#### CALL FOR PAPERS

Abstracts will be scheduled to be due in April or May of 2002.

#### **FURTHER INFORMATION**

All inquiries regarding the conference should be addressed to the Secretariat:

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## **Tentative Scientific Program**

#### 23 September 2002

0800-0900 **PLENARY LECTURE -1** 

"Fetal origins of adult disease" (J Robinson – Australia)

0900-1045 **SYMPOSIUM 1** 

"Cell signaling processes at the blood brain barrier"

Organisers: J Greenwood/Abas Hj Hussin

**SYMPOSIUM 2** 

"Advances in retinal research"

Organisers: Akimichi Kaneko ORAL COMMUNICATIONS: (0C-1 – 0C-7)

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS: (0C-8 – 0C-14)

1045-1100 **COFFEE** 

1100-1300 **SPECIAL LECT-1** 

"Structure and function of the heart:Images, models and maps"

Bruce Smaill (New Zealand)

**SPECIAL LECT-2** 

"Cell-volume – second message in the regulation of cellular function"

F Lang (Germany)

**SYMPOSIUM 3** 

"Endocrine disruptors and reproductive health"

Organisers: Ishwar Parhar/Cheah Swee Hung

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS: (0C-15 – 0C-22) ORAL COMMUNICATIONS: (0C-23 – 0C-30)

1300-1400 LUNCH

1400-1545 **SYMPOSIUM 4** 

"Neuro-endocrine mechanisms in stress"

Organisers: Emiko Senba/Kim Kah Hwi

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS: (0C-3- – 0C-37) ORAL COMMUNICATIONS: (0C-38 – 0C-44)

**POSTER PRESENTATION-1:** (PC-1-PC-40)

1545-1600 **TEA** 

1600-1745 **SYMPOSIUM 17** 

"Synaptic transmission" Organiser: Zhi-Qi Zhao

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS: (0C-45 – 0C-51) ORAL COMMUNICATIONS: (0C-52 – 0C-58)

**POSTER DISCUSSION-1** 

#### **24 September 2002**

0800-0900 **PLENARY LECTURE-2** 

"Mitochondrial control of cell death" Gerry Cohen (UK)

0900-1045 **SYMPOSIUM 5** 

"Ischaemia and reperfusion"

Organisers: Francis Achike/ David CY Kwan

**SYMPOSIUM 6** 

"Trends in neuropeptide" Organisers: H Yamashita

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS: (0C-59 – 0C-65) ORAL COMMUNICATIONS: (0C-66 – 0C-72)

1045-1100 **COFFEE** 

1100-1300 **SYMPOSIUM 7** 

"Molecular mechanisms of NaCl transport"

Organisers: David Cook/Masataka Murakami

**SYMPOSIUM 8** 

"Fetal programming" Organisers: Colin Sibley/HJ Singh

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS: (0C-73 – 0C-80) ORAL COMMUNICATIONS: (0C-81 – 0C-88)

1300-1400 **LUNCH** 

1400-1545 **SYMPOSIUM 9** 

"Exercise and heat" Organisers: R Singh/M Thompson

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS: (0C-89 – 0C-95) ORAL COMMUNICATIONS: (0C-96 – 0C-102) **POSTER PRESENTATIONS-2: (PC-41-PC-80)** 

TEA

1545-1600 **TEA** 

1600-1745 **SPECIAL LECT-3** 

"Exercise affects endothelium-dependent vascular responses"

Hsiun-Ing Chen (Taiwan)

**SPECIAL LECT-4** 

"Stable isotopic tracers in tracking discrete pathways in normal and disease states"

Anura Kurpad (India)

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS: (0C-103 – 0C-109)

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS: (0C-110 – 0C-116)

**POSTER DISCUSSION-2** 

#### **25 September 2002**

0800-0900 **PLENARY LECTURE - 3** 

"GnRH neurons: Genes to behaviour" Ishwar Parhar

0900-1045 **SYMPOSIUM 10** 

"Growth and development of the kidney: effect of nutrition"

Organisers: E. Lumbers/Rosnah

#### **SYMPOSIUM 11**

"Molecular and cellular physiology of mechano-sensitive channels"

Organisers: Masahiro Sokabe

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS: (0C-117 – 0C-123) ORAL COMMUNICATIONS: (0C-124 – 0C-130) 1045-1100 **COFFEE** 1100-1300 **SPECIAL LECT-5** "DNA repair and neuroprotection" Fengyan Sun (China) **SPECIAL LECT-6** "Neuronal plasticity following peripheral inflammation" Zhiqi Zhao (China) **SYMPOSIUM 12** "Natural antibodies in health and disease" Organisers: H.M Cheng ORAL COMMUNICATIONS: (0C-131 – 0C-138) ORAL COMMUNICATIONS: (0C-139 – 0C-146) 1300-1400 LUNCH 1400-1545 **SYMPOSIUM 14** 'The physiology of endothelium-derived vasodilation and its role in disease" Organisers: Geh Sooi Lin **SYMPOSIUM 15** "Stem cells and cell differentiation" Organiser: Youheng Xu ORAL COMMUNICATIONS: (0C-147 – 0C-153) **POSTER PRESENTATIONS-3 (81-120) TEA** 1545-1600 **SYMPOSIUM 19** 1600-1745 "Transporters in health and disease" Organiser: Chumpol Pholpramool ORAL COMMUNICATIONS: (0C-154 – 0C-160) ORAL COMMUNICATIONS: (0C-161 – 0C-167) **POSTER DISCUSSION-3 26 September 2002** 0800-0900 **PLENARY LECTURE-4** "Characterization of amino acid receptors in the retina" Xiong-Li Yang 0900-1045 **SYMPOSIUM 13** "Revisiting aldosterone in the cardiovascular system" Organisers: Lam Sau Kuen/CC Lang ROUNDTABLE DISCUSSION "Teaching and learning physiology – the innovative way" Organisers: Sim Si Mui/CY Kwan ORAL COMMUNICATIONS: (0C-168 – 0C-174) ORAL COMMUNICATIONS: (0C-175 – 0C-181) 1045-1100 COFFEE SPECIAL LECT - 7 1100-1300 "Function and regulation of sodium channels in epithelia" David Cook (Australia) **SPECIAL LECT-8** "Prolactin, a novel role in calcium regulation: an update" Nateetip Krishnamra (Thailand) ROUNDTABLE DISCUSSION (CONT'D) "Teaching and learning physiology – the innovative way" Organisers: Sim Si Mui/CY Kwan ORAL COMMUNICATIONS: (OC 182 – 0C 189) ORAL COMMUNICATIONS: (OC 190 – 0C 197) 1300-1400 LUNCH

1400-1545 **SYMPOSIUM 16** 

"Learning and memory" Organiser: F Motamedi.

**SYMPOSIUM 20** 

"Response to trauma" Organiser: E Kirkman ORAL COMMUNICATIONS: (0C-198 – 0C-204)

POSTER PRESENTATIONS-4 (PC-121-PC-160)

1545-1600 **TE** 

1600-1745 **SYMPOSIUM 18** 

"Significance of tropical plants on liver functions"

Organiser: Pawanee Piyachaturawat ORAL COMMUNICATIONS: (0C-205 – 0C-211) ORAL COMMUNICATIONS: (0C-212 – 0C-218)

**POSTER DISCUSSION-4** 

Malaysia is ready (From page 1)

on physiology teaching sponsored by the FAOPS Council. It is anticipated that about 350 scientists will participate at the congress. The registration fee for foreign participants is set at USD 250 according to the Council recommendation. Various categories of accommodation ranging from budget to luxury at special rates are being negotiated.

Travel from the Kuala Lumpur International Airport and moving around KL will be very easy and rapid since the Express Rail Link from the KLI air-

port to KL is expected to be complete in July 2002. Besides, two LRT lines will be in service by 2002. A shuttle service between the University LRT Station and the congress venue will be provided. A help desk will be available at the airport or the downtown airport terminal to assist overseas participants.

Dr. Singh had brought with him hundreds of very attractive first announcement for distribution at the IUPS Congress in Christchurch, NZ. The copies disappeared very quickly!

#### **RIKEN Brain Science Institute (BSI) Summer Program 2002**

BSI at RIKEN is preparing its annual Summer Program.

Promising young scientists, post-doctoral and graduate students, are invited to participate in either a two-month internship with one of the laboratories at BSI or a lecture course featuring a distinguished international faculty. The topic will be "Seeing the Brain in Action".

The deadline for application is February 28, 2002.

Generous support towards travel and lodging expenses will be provided.

For further information, visit the web site: <a href="http://summer.brain.riken.go.jp/">http://summer.brain.riken.go.jp/</a> or contact:

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- Blood pressure
- ECG and heart sounds
- Respiratory studies
- Nerve conduction studies
- Evoked responses
- Isolated nerve recordings
- Galvanic skin response

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output

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Dual Bio Amp input (Ch. 3-4)

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