

President's Message



Dear friends and colleagues,

On behalf of the organizing committee of The Asia-Pacific Liver Cancer Expert Association (The APPLE Association), I would like to extend my most sincere appreciation for your dedicated support for The 7th Asia-Pacific Primary Liver Cancer Expert Meeting (APPLE 2016), which was held in Hong Kong on July 8-10, 2016. The meeting was an overwhelming success, attracting more than 600 delegates from diverse countries and providing great intellectual and social interaction for the participants.

We hope you are looking forward to joining your colleagues and availing yourself to the almost infinite number of networking opportunities that await you at the forthcoming 8th APPLE Meeting. We would like to thank you for your interest in, and support of, the APPLE Association and look forward to your stimulating ideas and to your full participation.

We wish you a beautiful new year filled with peace and happiness and look forward to seeing you again in Singapore in 2017.

Sincerely yours,



Masatoshi Kudo
President
The Asia-Pacific Liver Cancer Expert Association

OUR AIMS Primary liver cancer is an extremely malignant disease, and 80% of patients are found in Asian countries. The APPLE Meetings have been initiated to provide a platform for regional and international experts to exchange information on the latest advancements in primary liver cancer treatment. The meetings are aimed at bridging gaps in the basic science and clinical aspects of liver cancer among specialists, with the ultimate aim of disseminating the results of laboratory research and clinical trials in liver cancer among professionals.

OUR HISTORY APPLE Meetings take place annually and were hosted in rotation by the Korean Liver Cancer Study Group, the Liver Cancer Study Group of Japan, and the Chinese Liver Cancer Study Group. The 1st meeting of the group took place in Incheon in 2010, the 2nd in Osaka in 2011, the 3rd in Shanghai in 2012, and the 4th in Busan in 2013. In 2014, APPLE changed its policy and decided to expand its congress venues from 3 countries to include all Asian countries. Therefore, the 5th APPLE Meeting was held in Taipei, Taiwan, in 2014. The 6th APPLE Meeting was held in Osaka, Japan, in 2015, and the 7th APPLE Meeting took place in Hong Kong, China, in 2016.

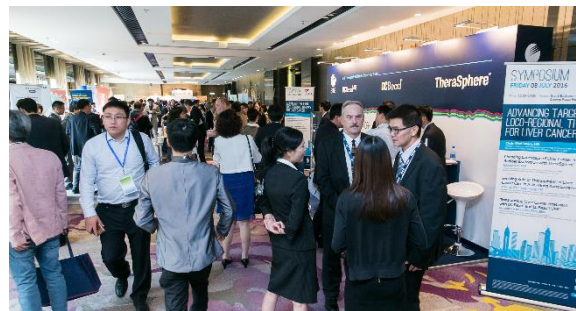
Report on **APPLE 2016**

Advancing HCC Management through Multi-Disciplinary Approach



APPLE 2016
July 8 - 10, 2016
Crowne Plaza Hong Kong
Kowloon East, Hong Kong

<http://www.applecongress2016.org/>



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Scientific Program Overview

Program	No. of Session
State-of-the-Art Lectures	6
Themed Lectures	8
Debate Sessions	2
Oral Presentation Sessions	3
Sponsored Lunch Symposia / Symposia	4
Consensus Workshops	5
Total	28
Consensus Workshop	
GROUP 1. Role of Radiotherapy in Treatment of HCC <i>Chairs: Jinsil SEONG (Korea) Zhao-Chong ZENG (China)</i>	
GROUP 2. Role of Chemotherapy in HCC <i>Chairs: Thomas YAU (Hong Kong) Masatoshi KUDO (Japan)</i>	
GROUP 3. Curative Treatment for Early HCC: Local Ablation vs. Resection <i>Chairs: Albert CHAN (Hong Kong) Soon-Ho UM (Korea)</i>	
GROUP 4. Role of TACE for Advanced HCC with Vascular Invasion <i>Chairs: Riccardo LENCIONI (Italy) Kieron Boon-Leng LIM (Singapore)</i>	
GROUP 5. Laparoscopic Hepatectomy for HCC <i>Chairs: Tan-To CHEUNG (Hong Kong) Go WAKABAYASHI (Japan)</i>	

Abstract Submission: 112 from 17 countries

Country	No.	Country	No.
South Korea	54	Kazakhstan	1
Hong Kong	13	The Philippines	1
Taiwan	12	Poland	1
China	8	Switzerland	1
Japan	8	The Netherlands	1
Egypt	3	United Kingdom	1
Singapore	3	Uzbekistan	1
USA	2	Vietnam	1
Czech Republic	1	Total	112

78 E-Poster Presentations

No. of Participants

Country	Delegate
Hong Kong	258
China	84
Taiwan	72
South Korea	60
Thailand	37
Singapore	36
Japan	19
USA	12
Malaysia	9
Vietnam	6
Philippines	5
Australia	4
Indonesia	4
Canada	3
France	3
Macau	3
Poland	2
Czech Republic	1
Egypt	1
Germany	1
Myanmar	1
Spain	1
United Kingdom	1
Total	623

Award

2 Young Investigator Awards
1 Best Oral Award
2 Best Poster Awards

Information of **APPLE 2017**

The Art & Science of Conquering Liver Cancer

Invitation

Dear friends and colleagues,

It is with great pleasure that we invite you to attend the 8th Asia-Pacific Primary Liver Cancer Expert Meeting (APPLE 2017) which will be held from 14 – 16 July 2017 at the Grand Copthorne Waterfront Hotel, Singapore.

This regional meeting has grown from its infancy to become the premier scientific forum in the field of liver cancer in the Asia-Pacific. Managing primary liver cancer is a multi-disciplinary effort and we endeavor to put forth a balanced programme that will cater to all involved in the primary liver cancer - from clinicians in the different specialties, to allied health professionals and research scientists.

Our theme this year, “The Art & Science of Conquering Liver Cancer” complements the ethos of Work and Play in Singapore. You can expect presentations by international and regional experts within a rich scientific and social program which includes tours of medical and research institutions.

We hope that you would participate in this event, which will offer you updates on the latest in primary liver cancer and an opportunity to network with experts in this field throughout the Asia-Pacific region and internationally. Do visit our website (www.applesg2017.com) for latest updates.

We look forward to welcoming you to the sunny island of Singapore!

Yours sincerely,



Pierce Chow
Hosting Chairman
APPLE 2017



Toh Han Chong
Scientific Chairman
APPLE 2017



Kieron Lim
Social Chairman
APPLE 2017

Important Dates

4 December 2016	Call for Abstract Opens
15 April 2017	Submission Closes
16 April 2017	Review of Abstract
15 May 2017	Notification of Results & Presentation Mode
15 June 2017	Deadline for Authors' Registration / Payment

APPLE 2017

July 14 - 16, 2017

Grand Copthorne Waterfront Hotel
Singapore

<http://www.applesg2017.com/>

APPLE NEWS

- **APPLE 2018:** The meeting destination has been decided to South Korea.
- **New Governing Board Members**
 - President-elect: Ann-Lii Cheng (Taipei)
 - Council: Hiroaki Nagano (Yamaguchi)
 - Council: Kyung-Suk Suh (Seoul)
 - Council: Soon Ho Um (Seoul)
 - Council: Chiun Hsu (Taipei)
 - Council: Feng Shen (Shanghai)
- **Establishment of APPLE Scientific Committee**
 - Chair: Joong-Won Park (Goyang)
 - Co-chair: Namiki Izumi (Tokyo)
 - Committee Members (17 members)

Hepatology
Do Young Kim, Yonsei University
Young-Suk Lim, University of Ulsan
Kieron Lim, National University of Singapore
Kaoru Tsuchiya, Musashino Red Cross Hospital
Ryosuke Tateishi, The University of Tokyo
Radiation Oncology
Jason Cheng, National Taiwan University
Medical Oncology
Toh Han Chong, National Cancer Center Singapore
Chih-Hung Hsu, National Taiwan University
Pathology
Young Nyun Park, Yonsei University
Hirohisa Yano, Kurume University
Radiology
Jeong Min Lee, Seoul National University
Tiffany Ting-Fang Shih, National Taiwan University
Interventional Radiology
Guohong Han, Fourth Military Medical University
Kian Hiong Tay, Singapore General Hospital
Surgery
Minshan Chen, Sun Yat-sen University
Kiyoshi Hasegawa, The University of Tokyo
Albert Chi-Yan Chan, The University of Hong Kong