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KSSH Ambassador Report

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I feel privileged to be selected as HKSSH ambassador for the KSSH this year. The 37th KSSH annual congress was held in Seoul, South Korea on 1st to 3rd Nov 2019. Unlike their previous years, they invited ASSH as their guest society for this year. As a result, 15 hand surgeons from different parts of the States joined the meeting. It was a 2-day programme packed with lectures, discussions and free paper sessions, dedicated on one day to in-group KSSH / ASSH symposiums. I have learned much from various amazing clinical and basic research projects presented by our fellow Korean hand surgeons. At the same time, it was stimulating and rewarding to learn the different approaches between both American and Korean hand surgeons concerning managing a clinical scenario.



Koreans are renowned for their great hospitality. We attended numerous social events with our ASSH visitors, along with travelling fellows from Japan, Malaysia, Singapore, and Taiwan, including a sightseeing tour, dinners, and karaoke. I tried their barbeque beef, their famous chicken and

beer and of course the all-conquering soju bomb.

This year the 5th APWA annual meeting happened to be held a few days after the KSSH Annual meeting i.e. 8- 10th Nov 2019. It is a 2-day wrist symposium along with a 1-day cadaveric workshop (open and arthroscopic course). Again, we had a very inspiring programme, with many world-renowned wrist experts discussing about their different understandings and approaches when managing wrist conditions. We had sessions where different surgeons demonstrated their own techniques in repairing / reconstructing TFCC and SL ligament.



These 10 days were a great experience. Not only have I learned and exchanged clinical ideas as well as views on different hand and wrist pathologies with our fellow colleagues, the experience has broadened my appreciation of the Korean culture. This ambassador programme has enabled me to catch up with many of my old friends, both from Korea and from America as well as to make many new friends. I am grateful for this opportunity and I look forward to rekindling our new friendships in either Hong Kong or different parts of the world.

AAHS Annual Meeting 2020



The HKSSH was invited to attend the annual meeting of the American Association for Hand Surgery (AAHS) as one of the guest societies on 8-11 January 2020 in Fort Lauderdale, Florida. Seven of our members (Drs HK Wong, PT Chan, PC Ho, WL Tse, Esther Chow, Margaret Fok and Michelle Lee) presented their papers during the meeting. There were also delegates from China, Singapore and Taiwan, which allows exchange of knowledge and ideas at an international level.



In return, we have invited the AAHS to attend our annual congress this year as guest society. We have started such exchange arrangement with the Russian Hand Surgery Society (RHSS) back in 2017. The Council is now working on similar arrangements with the German (DGH) and Taiwan (TSSH) hand surgery societies, possibly also with the Australian (AHSS) and American (ASSH) societies, which are expected to come to fruition in the coming few years.



Saturday Inter-Hospital Meeting Vascularised Bone Grafting

HKSSH will be hosting the meeting online later this month. Cases with application of vascularised bone grafting technique will be presented for discussion. Same as the arrangement of recent Saturday meetings, pre-registration with HKCOS and installation of the app 'Zoom' (preferably on desktop / laptop rather than handheld device) is necessary. E-mail on pre-registration will be sent out by HKCOS the week before the meeting.

Date: 29 February 2020

Time: 0830 - 1000

Certificate Course in Hand Surgery Module 2: Microsurgery in Orthopaedics

Due to the recent outbreak of coronavirus disease, module 2 of the Certificate Course, initially scheduled on the same day as our Saturday Inter-Hospital meeting, will be postponed until further notice.

12th APFSSH / 8th APFSHT Meeting Hand Surgery & the Digital Revolution

The Triennial event will be held in Melbourne, Australia next month.



11-14 March 2020 | Melbourne Australia
Hand Surgery and the Digital Revolution

Date: 11-14 March 2020

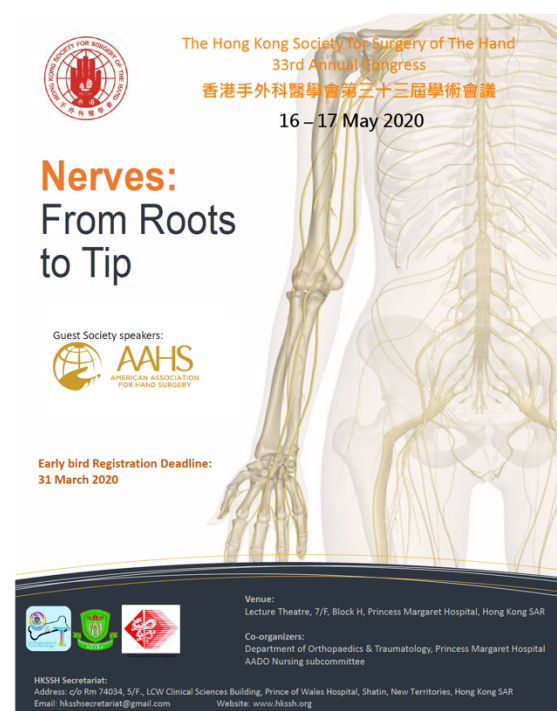
Venue: Melbourne Convention & Exhibition Centre, Melbourne, Australia

Details: apfssh2020.org

HKSSH Annual Congress 2020

Nerves: From roots to tip

To avoid clash with the APFSSH / APFSHT meeting, the 33rd HKSSH Annual Congress will be held on 16-17 May 2020 rather than in March as in previous years. Co-chaired by Dr Margaret Fok (QMH) and Dr KK Tam (PYNEH), preparation work for the meeting was started since summer of 2019. Speakers from the American Association for Hand Surgery and locally will update us on the latest knowledge on the topic. Please refer to our website for further details and latest update.



The Hong Kong Society for Surgery of the Hand
33rd Annual Congress
香港手外科醫學會第二十三屆學術會議
16–17 May 2020

**Nerves:
From Roots
to Tip**

Guest Society speakers:
AAHS
AMERICAN ASSOCIATION
FOR HAND SURGERY

Early bird Registration Deadline:
31 March 2020

Venue:
Lecture Theatre, 7/F, Block H, Princess Margaret Hospital, Hong Kong SAR

Co-organizers:
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RHSS Exchange Ambassadorship

Similar to the JSSH and KHSS exchange ambassadorship, a new exchange ambassadorship with the Russian Hand Surgery Society (RHSS) has been set up. Two of our members will be sponsored by HKSSH and RHSS to attend the RHSS biennial meeting every 2 years, and one Russian hand surgeon will be sponsored to attend our Annual Congress every year.

Date of meeting: 18-20 June 2020

Location: Samara, Russia

Deadline: 28 February 2020

Details: www.hkssh.org/index/scholarship

IFSSH Ezine



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