

Asian Pacific Division
Annual report: 2016-2017
(Dr Ambrose Chan)

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1. Message from the Division Chairman- Dr Ambrose Chan

The motto of Asian Pacific Division (APD), one of the five WFLD divisions, is to advance and advocate evidence- based photonic-enhancing dentistry for optimal patient's oral care, through encouragement of research and development in various fields of laser-applied dentistry and establishment of an educational network among dental associations and organizations across the Asian Pacific regions.

To accomplish this goal, we adopt a clearly defined noble vision, a resilient mind-set and a time plan. Fortunately, the APD has a committee team which is willing to put in the extraordinary time and effort to pursue such goals; a dedicated team that underpins the strength of our APD.

Our division had a busy, but rewarding year (July 2016-June 2017). All together 3 rewarding activities which included a Basic Laser Dental workshop (16 Sep 2016), in conjunction with the 15th Congress of the Asian Pacific Association for Laser Surgery and Medicine (APALMS), Jakarta, Indonesia; WFLD APD BLCC in Feb 14-15 in Chennai and Feb17-18 in Mumbai, India; WFLD –APD in conjunction with APDC Macau and CSLD to run a pre-APDC laser workshop (22 nd May) and open laser forum in both Mandarin and English at the Asia Pacific Dental Congress.

I would like to take this opportunity, as the Division Chairman, to express my deepest appreciation to our esteemed division speakers who are unreservedly to travel for a great distance overseas, to contribute their valuable time, knowledge and experience to laser

education, but mostly have given their continue supports to WFLD-APD.

A special thanks to A/Prof Hisashi Watanabe, the President of the Japanese Society for Laser Dentistry for his support and contribution. Prof Watanabe is going to retire this year and wish him a great retirement.

The last but not least, I would like to give my most profound gratitude to the contributions of the APD committee 2016-2017.

The dedication, devotion and passion of our WFLD-APD team are truly inspiring and worthy of great respect with admiration.

2.WFLD Asian Pacific Division Committee (2016-2017)

Chairman: Dr Ambrose Chan (Australia)

Dy Chairman: A/Prof Sajee Sattayut (Thailand)

Secretary: Dr Kenneth Luk (Hong Kong)

Treasurer: Dr Shigeyuki Nagai (Japan)

Facebook Page: Dr Phillip Fu Fung Tsui (Hong Kong)

Literature review: Dr Igor Cernavin (Australia)

Past Chairman: Prof Loh Hong Sai (Singapore)

Prof Isao Ishikawa (Japan)

Committee: A/Prof Akira Aoki (Japan)

A/Prof Hisashi Watanabe (Japan)

A/Prof Reza Fekrazad (Iran)

Dr How Kim Chuan (Malaysia)

3.WFLD Country Representative-Asian Pacific Region

Active country representatives:

Dr Igor Cernavin (Australia)

Dr Clement Eng (Singapore)

A/Prof Sajee Sattayut (Thailand)

Dr Kalhori Katayoun (Iran)

Dr How Kim Chuan (Malaysia)

Dr Phillip Fu Fung Tsui (Hong Kong)

Prof Kenji Yoshida (Japan)

Dr Harry Huiz Peeter (Indonesia)

Prof Reza Fekrazad (Iran)- **Iranian Medical Laser Association**

4. Nomination of the Country Representative

4.1 Nominee for Sri Lanka:

Dr. (Mrs.) P. W. N. Wickramarathne - Curriculum Vitae



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5.WFLD AP Division Course in Basic Laser Dentistry (16 Sep 2016), in conjunction with the 15th Congress of the Asian Pacific Association for Laser Surgery and Medicine (APALMS), Jakarta, Indonesia

The Asian Pacific Division was invited to deliver a 1 day course on basic laser dentistry and was presented by Drs Loh HS, Sattayut S, Nagai S, Peteers H and Tsui P. It was a successful event, attended by many medical and dermatological specialists as well. We witnessed one of the largest trade exhibitions with a wide range of laser equipment.

We had the opportunity to visit a large military hospital with laser facilities, and hosted by the Governor of Jakarta in the government's palace. Dr Loh attended the executive council meeting of APALMS and linked up with medical colleagues there.



6.WFLD APD BLCC in Feb 14-15 in Chennai and Feb17-18 in Mumbai, India

The WFLD-APD team composed of Prof Loh, Dr S Nagai and Prof H Watanabe Dr KC How and myself were invited to run two APD-BLCC laser tours between Chennai and Mumbai by the IDA.

WFLD World Federation of Laser Dentistry's
2 day Basic Laser Certification Course

IDC
Mumbai - 2017

Dr. Ambrose Chan
Australia

Prof. Hisashi Watanabe
Singapore

Dr. How K. Chuan
Malaysia

Prof. Hong S. Loh
Singapore

Dr. Shigeyuki Nagai
Japan

Registration Fees: (Inclusive of Certificate and Lunch)

- Lectures only
 - ₹. 1000 (Students Members) ₹. 1500 (Non-Members)
 - ₹. 2000 (Members) ₹. 3000 (Non-Members)
- Lecture Hands on
 - ₹. 4000 (Students Members) ₹. 5000 (Non-Members)
 - ₹. 8000 (Members) ₹. 9000 (Non-Members)

Date:
14 & 15 February, 2017

Venue:
Sri Ramachandra University,
Faculty of Dental Sciences, Chennai.

Limited Seats Available
REGISTER TODAY

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The welcome and hospitality to our APD speakers at the Sri Ramachandra University Faculty of Dental Science, Chennai were splendid.



We also showed our appreciation by presenting a certificate of appreciation to the Dean of the Sri Ramachandra University Faculty of Dental Science of Chennai.



The laser meeting in Mumbai was also spectacular.



Our speakers also been invited to visit the newly build professional development centre at the India Dental Association (IDA) and met up with the Indian Country representative Dr Neeti and the IDA Secretary General to discuss future collaboration between IDA and WFLD-APD.



Furthermore I had the honour to give a laser presentation at the India Dental conference.



7. WFLD –APD in conjunction with APDC Macau and CSLD to run a pre-APDC laser workshop (22 nd May) and Open laser forum in both Mandarin and English at the Asia Pacific Dental Congress.

Following the success of the consecutive collaborations between WFLD-APD and the Asia Pacific Dental Federation, WFLDAPD had supported APDC in laser education at Singapore in 2014, at Malaysia 2015, at Hong Kong 2016.

This year was our 4th collaboration with APDF to support their 39th APDC-Macau. We had run a very success laser workshop in Macau and also gave 2 Open laser forum both in English and Mandarin, in conjunction with the Chinese society for laser dentistry (CSLD). CSLD was formerly in September 2016 and the first collaboration between China and WFLD.



The Synopsis of the Open laser forum
Can you tell us something about the Laser open forum?

By definition, “Open Forum” implies an open exchange of ideas and information on a topic in a public gathering and to be hosted by a chairperson. The Asia Pacific Dental Congress-Laser open forum is an example of an open exchange of knowledge and experience of the use of lasers in clinical dental produces: using “Questions and Answers”, hosted by a chairperson, in both Mandarin and English languages, among a panel of international and local laser-practicing experts and the attendees of the APDC.

What can attendees expect here?

This is a golden opportunity, whereby the attendees can enrich their understanding and knowledge of use of lasers in dentistry on “How laser dentistry can benefit the patient and the dentist” through direct face-to-face or voice-to-voice interactive learning and discussion. This laser modality is indicated in all dental disciplines from diagnosis to treatment; from caries prevention to periodontal management; from pedodontic to orthodontic; from endodontic to implantology; from therapy to surgery; from facial aesthetics to snoring and cancer patients’ management etc. This delivers patients with a holistic modality: non-invasiveness, germ-reduction, promote healing and comfort with less use of Local anaesthetic, as well as enhancing treatment outcome and increase patient attendance to allow patient education for early intervention and prevention.

