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Dear Colleagues,

We are very excited to invite you to the ISHAM Asia Congress, the seminal event bringing worldwide developments in medical mycology to across continental Asia and the Asia-Pacific.

ISHAM Asia 2024, organized jointly by ISHAM and ISHAM's Asia Fungal Working Group, will gather over 300 attendees from continental Asia and the Asia-Pacific and afar, as well as an assembly of the world's leading experts from 15 countries and regions. The Congress is set to put state-of-the-art updates in medical mycology into continental Asia and the Asia-Pacific context and provide an international arena for scientific exchange. ISHAM Asia 2024 strives to deliver the longest lasting experience for participants and industry representatives.

A 2.5-day program provides the latest information delivered through a variety of sessions including: plenaries, multi-stream specialty update symposia, meet-the-expert sessions, challenging clinical cases, and oral and e-poster presentations. There will also be an exhibition, where you will be able to interact with and observe the latest in medical mycology diagnostic and treatment capabilities demonstrated by leading institutions in the industry.

As this instalment of ISHAM Asia is the first in-person meeting, we look forward to having the community join us in Bangkok, Thailand, as we come together to share, learn and build stronger fellowship within our international community. See you in August!



Ruoyu Li

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ISHAMASIA 2024

CONGRESS INFORMATION

Date: August 1-3, 2024

Venue: Royal Orchid Sheraton Hotel & Towers
2 Charoen Krung Road Soi 30 (Captain Bush Lane), Siphya, Bangrak
Bangkok 10500 Thailand

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Congress language: English. All abstracts and presentations must be submitted in English

Registration: Register online now at www.ISHAM.Asia. Group registration over 10 pax will be entitled to a 10% discount, please contact Congress Secretariat for details via email.

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CONGRESS FORMAT AND SESSION TYPES

2.5-day Congress with various session types including:

- Plenary
- Specialty update symposia
- Meet-the-expert
- Challenging clinical cases
- Oral presentations
- E-poster presentations



WHO SHOULD ATTEND?

The Congress welcomes all those involved in medical mycology, including:

- Doctors, trainees and researchers in infectious disease, critical care, transplantation, hemato-oncology, dermatology and the spectrum of clinical specialties managing these infections
- Clinical and laboratory microbiologists
- Microbiology/mycology laboratory professionals
- Scientists and students undertaking research in related fields

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* Student/trainee registration must be accompanied by a letter from the head of department confirming the status or a valid student card at the time of registration.

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- Meals during Congress hours
- Congress bag

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DAY 1 | THURSDAY, 1 AUG 2024

13:00	Registration
14:00-14:15	W1 Welcome remarks <i>Ruoyu Li</i>
Keynote session	
14:15-15:30	P1.1 Impact of climate change on fungal disease (30 min) <i>Martin Höenigl</i> P1.2 Emerging fungal diseases in Asia (30 min) <i>Arunaloke Chakrabarti</i> P1.3 Q&A (15 min)
15:30-16:00	Tea break
Plenary session	
16:00-17:50	P2.1 Advances of fungal diagnostics and application in Asian laboratories (25 min) <i>Yee-Chun Chen</i> P2.2 The new global cryptococcal guidelines: What they say and what they don't (25 min) <i>John Perfect</i> P2.3 WHO fungal priority pathogens (40 min) <i>Orla Morrissey</i> P2.4 Q&A (20 min)
18:30	Sandoz Dinner Symposium

DAY 2 | FRIDAY, 2 AUG 2024

08:00–08:15	W2 Recap of Day 1 <i>Atul Patel</i>		
08:15–08:30	Breakout into parallel streams		
Meet-The-Expert Session 1 Registrants will be invited to send in any question regarding the topics in advance of the meeting (via online link). Questions will be sent to the two speakers and addressed during these sessions.			
08:30–09:30	E1: Antifungal susceptibility testing <i>Jacques Meis, Ariya Chindamporn</i>	E2: Differentiating allergy & colonization in respiratory tract <i>Shivaprakash M Rudramurthy, Ritesh Agarwal</i>	E3: Antifungal prophylaxis in non-neutropenic critically ill patients <i>Arnaldo Colombo, Lee Lee Low</i>
09:30–10:40	Symposium 1: Fungal infections in the ICU S1.1 Approach to Candida infections (20 min) <i>Arnaldo Colombo</i> S1.2 Mycelial infections in the ICU (20 min) <i>Nguyen Phu Huong Lan</i> S1.3 Viruses and IPA – Mechanisms and clinical insights (20 min) <i>Kausar Jabeen</i> S1.4 Q&A (10 min)	Symposium 2: IFD in neutropenic and hematological patients S2.1 Approach to prolonged fever in febrile neutropenia (20 min) <i>Martin Höenigl</i> S2.2 The radiology of IFIs in febrile neutropenia (20 min) <i>Ban Hock Tan</i> S2.3 New hematology drugs and IFIs (20 min) <i>Methee Chayakulkeeree</i> S2.4 Q&A (10 min)	Symposium 3: Molecular mycology S3.1 Molecular typing of fungi (20 min) <i>Jacques Meis</i> S3.2 Genetic susceptibility for IFIs (20 min) <i>Ruoyu Li</i> S3.3 Fungi and host interactions: Molecular interplay leading to bronchiectasis in ABPA (20 min) <i>Ritesh Agarwal</i> S3.4 Q&A (10 min)
10:40–10:50	Coffee break		
10:50–12:00	Symposium 4: Clinical conundrums S4.1 Diagnosis and management of paradoxical worsening while managing IFI (20 min) <i>Orla Morrissey</i> S4.2 Measuring and managing immunosuppression in IFI treatment (15 min) <i>Tan Thuan Tong</i> S4.3 Defining treatment endpoints (20 min) <i>Martin Höenigl</i> S4.4 Q&A (15 min)	Symposium 5: Candida auris S5.1 Global scenario and updates (20 min) <i>Jacques Meis</i> S5.2 Early detection and clinical management (15 min) <i>Methee Chayakulkeeree</i> S5.3 Approach to managing a Candida auris outbreak (20 min) <i>Shivaprakash M Rudramurthy</i> S5.4 Q&A (15 min)	Symposium 6: Endemic mycoses S6.1 Are we missing cases of histoplasmosis in Asia? (20 min) <i>Mitzi Chua</i> S6.2 Control of talaromycosis (20 min) <i>Ariya Chindamporn</i> S6.3 Implantation mycoses (20 min) <i>Flavio de Quieroz Telles</i> S6.4 Q&A (10 min)
12:30–13:30	Pfizer Lunch Symposium		
14:00–15:30	Symposium 7: Mucormycosis S7.1 Mucormycosis – Differences between developed and developing countries (25 min) <i>Retno Wahyuningsih</i> S7.2 Updates in COVID-19-associated mucormycosis (25 min) <i>Arunaloke Chakrabarti</i> S7.3 Management challenges in Asian countries (25 min) <i>Lee Lee Low</i> S7.4 Q&A (15 min)	Symposium 8: Cryptococcus S8.1 Global epidemiology (25 min) <i>Sharon Chen</i> S8.2 Antifungal resistance in <i>Cryptococcus neoformans</i> – Is there a role for susceptibility testing? (25 min) <i>Kausar Jabeen</i> S8.3 Cryptococcosis in people without HIV (25 min) <i>Atul Patel</i> S8.4 Q&A (15 min)	Symposium 9: Subcutaneous mycoses and superficial mycoses S9.1 Tips and tricks in the diagnosis and management of superficial fungal infections (25 min) <i>Pei-Lun Sun</i> S9.2 Drug resistance in dermatophytosis (25 min) <i>Shivaprakash M Rudramurthy</i> S9.3 New antifungal agents for dermatophytosis (25 min) <i>Ruoyu Li</i> S9.4 Q&A (15 min)
15:30–16:30	Afternoon tea		
Debate session Moderator: Arunaloke Chakrabarti			
16:30–17:30	D1.1 In the absence of non-culture-based diagnostics in Asian countries, empirical therapy is the best answer to manage invasive fungal infections <i>For: Arnaldo Colombo & Atul Patel; Against: Yee-Chun Chen & Ban Hock Tan</i>		
17:30–18:00	Oral presentation award session	Poster presentation award session	
18:00	W2 Summary of Day 2 <i>Atul Patel</i>		
18:30–19:30	IMMY Dinner Symposium		

DAY 3 | SATURDAY, 3 AUG 2024

08:00-08:10	W3 Recap of Day 2 <i>Ruoyu Li</i>		
08:15-09:30	Symposium 10: Management of IFIs in immunocompromised hosts S10.1 Pre-emptive antifungal therapy - Application in compromised hosts (20 min) <i>Ban Hock Tan</i> S10.2 Management of breakthrough infections (20 min) <i>Orla Morrissey</i> S10.3 IFI prevention in novel hematological therapies like Car-T transplants & BITE therapy (20 min) <i>Tan Thuan Tong</i> S10.4 Q&A (15 min)	Symposium 11: Integrated stewardship S11.1 MSG recommendations for antifungal stewardship (20 min) <i>John Perfect</i> S11.2 Challenges implementing antifungal stewardship in resource-limited settings (20 min) <i>Arunaloke Chakrabarti</i> S11.3 Integration of infection control and stewardship during COVID-19 and beyond: Key strategies (20 min) <i>Anucha Apisarnthanarak</i> S11.3 Q&A (15 min)	Symposium 12: IATDMCT-AFWG collaboration S12.1 How to implement a TDM programme (20 min) <i>Bin Lin</i> S12.2 TDM in the transplant setting; what is required? (20 min) <i>Sumith Mathew</i> S12.3 Cryptococcal infection. Do we need TDM? (20 min) <i>Lee Lee Low</i> S12.4 Q&A (15 min)
Meet-The-Expert Session 2 Registrants will be invited to send in any question regarding the topics in advance of the meeting (via online link). Questions will be sent to the two speakers and addressed during these sessions.			
09:30-10:30	E4: Chronic pulmonary aspergillosis <i>Ritesh Agarwal, Retno Wahyuningsih</i>	E5: Fungal taxonomy <i>Shivaprakash M Rudramurthy, Ariya Chindamporn</i>	E6 (IATDMCT-AFWG): Considerations of antifungal PK/PD in clinical care <i>Deborah Marriott, Atul Patel</i>
10:30-10:45	Coffee break		
10:45-12:00	Symposium 13: Outbreak management S13.1 Fusarium outbreak (20 min) <i>Yee-Chun Chen & Pei-Lun Sun</i> S13.2 Outbreak of multi-drug resistant <i>Candida vulturna</i> strains in a neonatal ICU (20 min) <i>Nguyen Phu Huong Lan</i> S13.3 Sporotrichosis outbreak (20 min) <i>Flavio de Quieroz Telles</i> S13.4 Q&A (15 min)	Symposium 14: Combination therapy and new antifungal agents S14.1 Combining antifungals - Evidence and practice (20 minutes) <i>Li-Ping Zhu</i> S14.1 Novel antifungal agents & new antifungal strategies in 2024 (25 min) <i>John Perfect</i> S14.2 PK/PD of novel antifungals (15 min) <i>Deborah Marriott</i> S14.3 Q&A (15 min)	Symposium 15: Novel rapid diagnostics S15.1 Point-of-care testing & newer diagnostic tests (30 min) <i>Catriona Halliday</i> S15.2 Next-generation molecular diagnostics (30 min) <i>Sharon Chen</i> S15.3 Q&A (20 min)
12:30-13:30	Gilead Lunch Symposium		
Interactive case presentations: Clinical-mycological correlation <i>Panel: Jacques Meis, John Perfect, Flavio de Quieroz Telles, Atul Patel, Ritesh Agarwal</i>			
14:00-16:00	C1.1 Case 1 (30 min) <i>Pei-Lun Sun</i> C1.2 Case 2 (30 min) <i>Mitzi Chua</i> C1.3 Case 3 (30 min) <i>Li-Ping Zhu</i> C1.4 Case 4 (30 min) <i>Tan Thuan Tong</i>		
16:00-17:00	Afternoon tea		
Panel discussion: What experts do with discordant results Moderator: Atul Patel, Ban Hock Tan, Lee Lee Low, Ruoyu Li, Mitzi Chua, Catriona Halliday			
17:00-17:45	P1.1 Diagnosing IFI: What should I do with these test results? (15 minutes each) <i>Nguyen Phu Huong Lan</i> (A renal transplant patient whose BAL grows <i>Aspergillus</i> but is negative for GM) <i>Methee Chayakulkeeree</i> (A febrile neutropenic whose blood is positive for mold but negative for GM) <i>Retno Wahyuningsih</i> (A patient on high-dose steroids with lung infiltrates and a BAL positive for PCP by PCR but not by smear)		
17:45-18:00	W4 President's closing remarks <i>Atul Patel</i>		
18:00	End of ISHAM Asia 2024		

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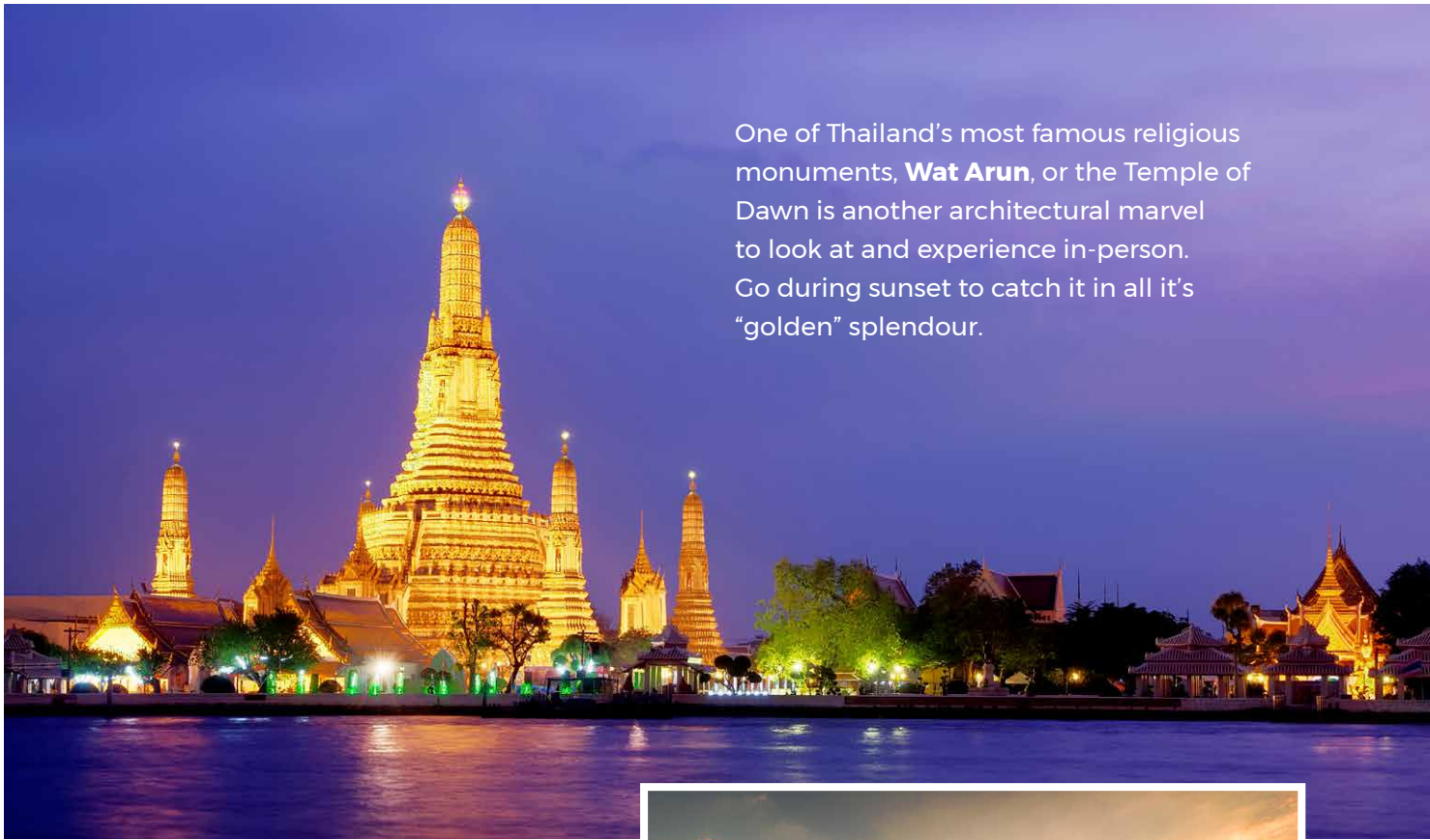
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