

ANNUAL REPORT (JANUARY – DECEMBER 2023)
SINGAPORE SOCIETY OF OPHTHALMOLOGY

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LIST OF EVENTS

a) Wine & Dine Event for Private Ophthalmologists (30 October 2023)

For the first time, SSO hosted a networking dinner for the private ophthalmologists at Elan, Scotts Road on 30 October 2023 with a total attendance of close to 40. Two speakers from CO Wealth Advisory Group and Athel Accounting were present to share insights on the best tax and accounting practices for clinic owners and key important pointers on setting up a private practice.

b) Activities Organised by SSO Young Ophthalmologist (YO) Chapter (October 2022 – October 2023)

This year, we kicked-off the APAO 'Rising Star' Program in partnership with Zeiss during the APAO meeting in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia, in February 2023. During this meeting, we invited the Top 20 'Rising Stars' from the Asia-Pacific region to meet and attend a presentation and leadership-development workshop.



Top 20 APAO 'RISING STARS' 2023, APAO, Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia 2023

The APAO program also featured a very well-received YO night. We had good YO representation from all the Asian regions: Southeast Asia (Singapore, Philippines, Indonesia, Malaysia, Cambodia etc), Northeast Asia (South Korea, Mongolia, China, Taiwan) and South Asia (India, Pakistan, Bangladesh, Maldives). YOs were able to share and connect with each other and more senior ophthalmologists throughout the evening. We were also treated to an amazing talent show by our regional YOs.



YO Night at APAO, Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia, February 2023

UPCOMING EVENTS

i) **37th Singapore – Malaysia Joint Meeting in Ophthalmology & 2nd Global Young Ophthalmologist (YO Summit), 19 – 21 January 2024**

SSO will be hosting the 37th Singapore-Malaysia Joint Meeting in Ophthalmology from 19 – 21 January 2024 at the Academia (Singapore General Hospital Campus), Singapore.

The theme of the meeting is “**Transforming Paradigms in Ophthalmology**”. It will be our first **in-person regional meeting** after 2 years since the pandemic. Aside from the usual plenary and symposia sessions featuring the newest trends and latest innovations that will transform the way we practice, other highlights include the 2nd Global Young Ophthalmologist (YO) Summit featuring prominent YO speakers from around the world on 19 January 2024; complementary hands-on imaging workshop; Basic Phacoemulsification and Minimally Invasive Glaucoma Surgery (MIGS) wet lab instruction courses as well as nursing and allied health programme.

The 2nd Global YO summit aims to bring YOs to meet, debate and discuss subjects pertinent to our generation of ophthalmologists. The programme will feature interactive scientific debates on hot topics within 9 subspecialties, along with non-scientific fireside-style discussions on important matters such as surgical training, fellowships, global ophthalmology and women in ophthalmology. This programme will end with a YO feature at the end of the sessions featuring YO representatives from AAO, SOE, APAO, YOSI and the region. Throughout the course of the day, participants will have ample opportunity to relax and mingle in the YO lounge, where they can enjoy barista coffee, a photobooth and blind massage. The full day of events will culminate with an exciting YO social night held at Stay Gold Flamingo, which has been voted as one of the Top 50 bars in Asia.



37th Singapore-Malaysia Joint Meeting in Ophthalmology

Transforming Paradigms in Ophthalmology

19 - 21 January 2024 • Academia, Singapore

Three-day power packed scientific sessions presented by over 120 invited faculty from 25 countries on

- New and emerging technology, latest therapeutic options and artificial intelligence to transform your ophthalmic practice
- Global young ophthalmologist summit featuring rapid debates and discussions on hot scientific and non-scientific topics pertinent to the new generation of ophthalmologists
- Unique hands-on imaging workshop on various platforms on all aspects of imaging, from acquisition to interpretation
- Wet labs focusing on Phaco and MIGS

Scan QR code to register for the meeting or visit ssophth-sinmal2024.com for more information



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2nd Global Young Ophthalmologist Summit

in conjunction with
37th Singapore-Malaysia
Joint Meeting in Ophthalmology

19 - 21 January 2024
Academia, Singapore

YOUNG OPHTHALMOLOGISTS' PROGRAMME HIGHLIGHTS

- Featuring YO speakers from international societies including AAO, APAAO, SOE with many exciting scientific debates focusing on the latest trends and innovations
- YO Travel Grants reserved for YO attendees.
- Free paper, poster and surgical video presentations with Awards for best YO presentations.
- Many social events aimed at YOs to build a regional and international YO network.

SAVE THE DATE

Scan the QR code to register your interest



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Society of Ophthalmology of the Singapore Medical Association
Statement of Income and Expenditure for January - December 2023

Date	Opening Balance	
01/01/2023	Society of Ophthalmology Bank account	\$ 363,404.28
	Total	\$ 363,404.28

Expenditure

SSO

DBS Account Fee	\$ 40.00
Cheque Fee	\$ 15.75
Purchase of token of appreciation for A/Prof Lee Shu Yen (former President of SSO)	\$ 150.00
Brainstorming session / lunch on new key strategies for SSO for 2023 / 2024	\$ 688.55
Taxi claim (Update of cheque signatories at DBS Bank Harbourfront)	\$ 14.50
Co-payment of SSO - College of Ophthalmologists Annual Dinner at Halia on 10 Mar 2023	\$ 4,888.62
Taxi claim for SSO - College Dinner (for admin helpers)	\$ 48.75
Revamp and development of SSO website	\$ 9,990.00
Dinner cum discussion with Fullerton Health	\$ 506.09
2023 Annual Dues for ICO (322 members)	\$ 1,795.29
Purchase of alcohol for SSO Private Ophthalmologists Event on 30 Oct 2023	\$ 969.41
SSO Private Ophthalmologists Event at Elan on 30 Oct 2023	\$ 5,523.01

Sub Total \$ 24,629.97

Grant Sponsorship for 35th APACRS Meeting, 8 - 10 June 2023

Dr Bobby Cheng	\$ 791.00
Dr Cheryl Ngo	\$ 657.00

Sub Total \$ 1,448.00

Grant Sponsorship for World Glaucoma Congress, 28 June - 1 July 2023

Dr Chelvin Sng	\$ 5,459.10
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Sub Total \$ 5,459.10

37th Singapore-Malaysia Joint Meeting in Ophthalmology, 19 - 21 Jan 2024, Academia

Design fee - main visual and save the date flyer	\$ 950.00
Adaptation of 'Save the Date' design for printing of A2 posters	\$ 175.00
Conceptualisation and development of meeting website	\$ 7,992.00
Printing of 500 copies of publicity flyers for distribution at 35th APACRS meeting	\$ 486.00
Deposit payment for faculty dinner at SKAI Suites	\$ 11,880.00
Deposit payment for YO Night at Staygold Flamingo	\$ 3,000.00
Deposit payment for bartender / alcohol for Welcome Reception	\$ 1,020.00
Deposit payment for sound system / kompang performance - Welcome Reception	\$ 1,750.00
Bank fees	\$ 22.25

Sub Total \$ 27,275.25

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Income

37th Singapore-Malaysia Joint Meeting in Ophthalmology, 19 - 21 Jan 2024, Academia

Registration Fees	\$	18,375.35
Platinum sponsorship package - Roche Singapore Pte Ltd	\$	35,000.00
Platinum sponsorship package - Alcon Pte Ltd	\$	35,000.00
Gold sponsorship package - Mandarin Opto-Medic Pte Ltd	\$	25,000.00
Gold sponsorship package - Novartis Singapore Pte Ltd	\$	25,000.00
Gold sponsorship package - Bausch & Lomb	\$	25,000.00
Silver sponsorship package - Nikon	\$	15,000.00
Silver sponsorship package - Bayer	\$	15,000.00
Shell scheme booth - Charles Wembley	\$	6,000.00
Shell scheme booth - Ophthalmic Instruments (3 booths)	\$	18,000.00
Shell scheme booth - Eyelens Pte Ltd	\$	6,000.00
50% deposit payment for silver sponsorship package & hands-on imaging workshop - Topcon Singapore	\$	10,000.00
50% deposit payment for Gold sponsorship package - Essilorluxxotica	\$	12,500.00
50% deposit payment for silver sponsorship package - Glaukos Pte Ltd	\$	7,500.00
50% deposit payment for shell scheme booth -Santen Pharmaceutical	\$	3,000.00

Sub Total **\$ 256,375.35**

Others

Admin Fee for processing congress passes on behalf of Santen Pharmaceuticals

i) 6th Asia-Pacific Glaucoma Congress (4 ophthalmologists)	\$	200.00
ii) 35th APACRS Congress (3 ophthalmologists)	\$	150.00

Payment from Santen Pharmaceuticals for the grant sponsorship for

i) 6th Asia-Pacific Glaucoma Congress (4 ophthalmologists)	\$	1,158.06
ii) 35th APACRS Congress (3 ophthalmologists)	\$	2,105.00

Sub Total **\$ 3,613.06**

Closing Balance as at 31 December 2023

31/12/2023	Society of Ophthalmology Bank account	564,580.37
	Total	\$ 564,580.37



Clin Assoc Prof Anna Tan
Treasurer



Dr Wong Chee Wai
Auditor