

**ANNUAL REPORT (JANUARY – DECEMBER 2025)
SINGAPORE SOCIETY OF OPHTHALMOLOGY**

Current Executive Committee (August 2025 - Present)

President: Assoc Prof Marcus Ang

Secretary: Assoc Prof Gavin Tan

Treasurer: Clin Assoc Prof Anna Tan

Auditor: Dr Wong Chee Wai

Members: Assoc Prof Victor Koh
Dr Don Pek
Dr Yap Zhu Li

SSO-YO Chair: Dr Claire Peterson

LIST OF EVENTS

a) International Myopia Summit Singapore, 16-17 May 2025, Academia

More than 300 invited faculty and delegates from 15 countries attended the 2-days meeting themed 'The Art and Science of Myopia Management' at Academia. Highlights of the meeting included symposia sessions on the hottest topics in myopia research and management such as public health strategies, breakthroughs in progression management and paediatric myopia, and hands-on myopia management masterclass where delegates had the opportunity to learn about the most advanced technologies for childhood and adult myopia and practical tools to implement in their practice.



b) SSO Private Ophthalmologist Night

19 June 2025, Vineyard at Hort Park

SSO hosted a networking dinner for private ophthalmologists on 19 June 2025 at Vineyard at Hort Park, drawing over 30 attendees. Sponsored by AIA and Carl Zeiss, the event featured valuable insights on best practices in digital marketing.



c) Spin in the Dark' for Guide Dogs Singapore

9 October 2025, XYCO Studio

A total of 22 SSO ophthalmologists came together for a spin session at XYCO Studio, held in complete darkness, to raise funds and awareness in support of Guide Dogs Singapore and its mission to empower the visually impaired. More than \$9,400 SGD was raised during this meaningful event.



d) Activities Organised by SSO Women's Chapter

International Women's Day Celebration

1 March 2025

Eat At My Kitchen

The SSO Women's Chapter organised its inaugural event in celebration of International Women's Day on 1 March 2025. More than 30 female ophthalmologists attended and participated in a speed dating exercise where younger ophthalmologists had the opportunity to engage the senior mentors on a one-on-one conversation based on the areas of interest (e.g. research, work life balance) and hobby.



Inaugural Annual General Meeting

23 August 2025, Club 33

The SSO Women's Chapter held its Inaugural Annual General Meeting at Club 33 on 23 August 2025. Clin Assoc Prof Anna Tan and Dr Elaine Chee were voted as the President and Vice-President of the Women's Chapter for a two-year term, and Clin Assoc Prof Tan also shared on the upcoming activities that the Women's Chapter is planning – eye screening for the disadvantaged women population in the society mainly from halfway houses and their children as well as an art appreciation event with a slow art tour National Gallery in 2026. She also announced the successful pairing of 5 pairs of mentor and mentee under the Women's Chapter mentorship programme.

e) Activities Organised by SSO Young Ophthalmologist (YO) Chapter

3rd Global Young Ophthalmologist Summit in conjunction with 20th Taiwan Society of Cataract and Refractive Surgeons (TSCRS) Annual Meeting

13-15 June 2025, Chang Gung International Convention Centre, Taoyuan, Taiwan

The 3rd GYO summit took place alongside the 20th TSCRS Annual Meeting in Taiwan in June 2025. This was the first time our GYO summit was held outside of Singapore, with a foreign meeting. The GYO summit drew 185 YOs from 23 countries. The full one-day programme featuring rapid-fire debates on hot topics within each subspecialty and fireside chats on topics pertinent to young ophthalmologists such as surgical training, global ophthalmology and woman in ophthalmology. The meeting culminated with an exciting YO social night at ABV Bar and Kitchen.



Meet-the-R1s x Young Ophthalmologist Wine Night 2025
17 September 2025, MOXIE

Shortly after the start of our academic year, SSO-YO hosted a meet-the-R1 wine night at Moxie, for our new R1s across the 3 healthcare clusters to connect with their peers and other YOs. Close to 30 Young Ophthalmologists connected over wine and food at this private event.



Inaugural Year-End Surgical Showcase
4 December 2025, Lucha Loco

This December 2025, SSO-YO hosted its inaugural Year-end Surgical Showcase together with Alcon Singapore. This event focused on our young consultants and featured YOs from SNEC, NUH and NHG who shared about toric IOLs, premium IOLs, IOL calculations and MIGS, along with their own surgical videos and personal experience of what they took away from their first few cases! This was followed by a lively discussion over Mexican food.



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Statement of Income and Expenditure for January - December 2025

Date	Opening Balance	
1/1/2025	Society of Ophthalmology Bank account	\$ 529,664.07
	Total	\$ 529,664.07

Expenditure

SSO

DBS Ideal Service Charge for Payment	\$ 4.80
Bank Account Fee	\$ 40.00
SSO-COPH New Year's Dinner at Min Jiang, 10 Jan 2025	\$ 4,918.30
Purchase of alcohol for SSO-COPH New Year's Dinner at Min Jiang	\$ 294.30
Expenses for dinner with Prof Arvin Sun, President, TSCRS to discuss program and speakers for 3rd GYO Summit in Taipei in June 2025	\$ 371.70
Expeses for SSO exco meeting cum dinner at Zui Yu Xuan restaurant, 25 Apr 2025	\$ 1,199.00
Drinks for SSO exco meeting on 25 Apr 2025	\$ 33.57
Private Ophthalmologists Dinner event at Vineyard @ Hort Park on 16 June 2025	\$ 5,086.64
Transport claim for private ophthalmologists dinner event	\$ 11.90
Deposit payment for SSO AGM at Moxie	\$ 5,076.60
Expenses for SSO AGM at Moxie on 23 July 2025	\$ 5,441.03
SSO website maintenance	\$ 1,635.00
Glow sticks for 'Spin in the Dark' for Guide Dogs Singapore in conjunction with World Sight Day on 9 October 2025	\$ 8.54
F&B for participants - 'Spin in the Dark' for Guide Dogs Singapore	\$ 309.56
Placement of fixed deposit for 6 months	\$ 50,000.00

Sub Total \$ 74,430.94

YO Chapter Events

Young Ophthalmologist Networking and Mentorship Event, 22 Nov 2024, Highlander Bar	\$ 5,995.00
Dinner with Young Ophthalmologists Societies Chairperson at APAO India, 4 Apr 2025	\$ 710.30

Sub Total \$ 6,705.30

SSO Women's Chapter Events

International Women's Day Event, 1 March 2025 , Eat at My Kitchen

Food and drinks	\$ 2,690.55
Transport claim	\$ 36.00

Sub Total \$ 2,726.55

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

Professional Secretariat Services (PCO)

Delegate Fee (607 pax @ \$115 per pax)	\$ 69,805.00
Abstract Management Fee (333 abstracts @ \$22 per abstract)	\$ 7,326.00
Workshop Management Fee (Hands-on Imaging Course & Wet Lab Instructional Course)	\$ 3,500.00

Food & Beverage

Full day seminar package - Day 1	\$ 9,611.51
Full day seminar package - Day 2	\$ 19,419.88
Full day seminar package - Day 3	\$ 6,734.82
Vegetarian bento (AIOS symposioium on Day 3)	\$ 657.83
Welcome Reception	\$ 6,083.02
Wetlab Instructional Course	\$ 1,249.79
Snacks, drinks and juices for snack corner at L1-S1, Academia	\$ 5,962.94

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Others

Online forms in conference website (registration, abstract submission & travel grant)	\$	1,220.00
AV/IT - Rental of equipment and manpower costs	\$	21,417.00
Lanyard & Namebadge holders (800 pcs @ \$8 each)	\$	6,400.00
Printing / production of banners, programme board and decals	\$	5,779.30
Landscaping - Academia Auditorium	\$	2,234.50
Coach transfers (Hotels to Academia; YO Nght; River Cruise; Faculty Dinner)	\$	3,850.00
Boats charter for Singapore River Cruise	\$	4,251.00
Printing (Moderator kits / tentcard; signages; 'reserved' seat labels in auditorium; lucky draw cards; YO night ticket; attendance sheets; travel grant acknowledgement forms; speakers' reimbursement forms; cash prizes acknowledgement forms)	\$	1,153.75
Speakers' Gifts (130 Tote Bags @ \$20 each)	\$	2,600.00
Onsite manpower costs (including staff transport)	\$	9,097.00
Onsite transport of event equipment	\$	500.00
Stationery (Certificate Holders)	\$	98.10
Courier charges	\$	24.10
Tele-communication charges	\$	16.84
Miscellaneous (Zoom & Pollev)	\$	230.00
Refund of excess registration payment	\$	185.00

Sub Total \$ **189,407.38**

International Myopia Summit Singapore, 16-17 May 2025, Academia

Travel grant for 19 speakers (US\$1,000 per speaker: US\$19,000 x 1.30)	\$	24,700.00
Creative conceptualisation and artwork cost for meeting website	\$	3,024.00
Design of publicity posters, onsite collaterals, certificate of attendance, name badges, EDMs and final e-program book	\$	9,027.00
Professional Conference Organiser Fees (SingHealth Academy)	\$	12,572.95
Lanyards (450 pcs)	\$	651.82
Custom design & printing of badges	\$	1,378.85
Catering charges for breakfast symposium and tea-breaks	\$	8,507.45
Catering charges for lunch symposium	\$	3,270.00
Faculty Dinner - Food & Alcohol	\$	3,887.27
Bus transfer for Faculty Dinner	\$	235.00
Welcome Reception - Catering of food	\$	4,992.20
Welcome Reception - Hiring of mobile bar	\$	1,286.20
Rental fees for Academia auditorium and meeting rooms	\$	18,286.93
Speakers' gifts	\$	935.23
Development of meeting website and set-up of digital e-program book	\$	5,548.10
Printing and installation of sticker at Academia entrance / stage rostrum)	\$	442.54
Purchase of Apple Watch SE for lucky draw	\$	389.00
Lunch / refreshments for exhibitors and helpers	\$	1,269.62
Photography Services	\$	2,000.00
Purchase of bottled mineral water	\$	506.63
Purchase of self-inking stamp for lucky draw cards	\$	29.00
Transport claim	\$	46.60

Sub Total \$ **102,986.39**

3rd Global Young Ophthalmologist Summit, 12-14 June 2025, Taipei

Purchase of airticket for Amy Lim (SSO Secretariat) and Phyllis (SNEC GEH)	\$	1,365.00
Design of GYO Alliance Logo	\$	1,000.00
Transport claim, purchase of e-sim and meals (Amy Lim)	\$	192.79
Transport claim and purchase of e-sim (Phyllis Teo)	\$	51.79

Sub Total \$ **2,609.58**

Grant Sponsorship for APACRS 2023

Dr Por Yong Ming	\$	657.00
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Grant Sponsorship for Santen Vision Summit , 10-11 May 2025, South Korea	
Dr Yong Kailing	\$ 1,785.00
Dr Jason Lee	\$ 1,785.00
Grant Sponsorship for World Glaucoma Congress, 25-28 June 2025, Hawaii	
Dr Kelvin Lee	\$ 913.33
Dr Chelvin Sng	\$ 5,000.00
Grant Sponsorship for 40th APAO Congress, 3-6 Apr 2025, New Delhi	
Prof Marcus Ang	\$ 2,000.00
Grant Sponsorship for 3rd GYO Summit, Taipei, 13-15 June 2025, Taipei	
Dr Tan Peng Yi	\$ 250.00
Dr Chan Hiok Hong	\$ 250.00
Dr Chris Lim (US\$500)	\$ 636.76
Sub Total	\$ 13,277.09
Grand Total	\$ 392,143.23

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Income

37th Singapore-Malaysia Joint Meeting in Ophthalmology, 19 - 21 Jan 2024, Academia	
Refund of Best Oral Paper (US\$200)	\$ 270.00
Sub Total	\$ 270.00
International Myopia Summit Singapore, 16-17 May 2025	
Platinum sponsorship package (Hoya)	\$ 20,000.00
Platinum sponsorship package (EssilorLuxottica)	\$ 20,000.00
Platinum sponsorship package (Zeiss)	\$ 20,000.00
Gold sponsorship package (Mandarin Opto-Medic)	\$ 15,000.00
Gold sponsorship package (Topcon)	\$ 15,000.00
Gold sponsorship package (CooperVision)	\$ 15,000.00
Silver sponsorship package (Eye-Lens)	\$ 10,000.00
Silver sponsorship package (Santen)	\$ 10,000.00
Shell scheme booth (Shanghai Rui Shi Health Technology)	\$ 5,000.00
Shell scheme booth (Rycon Ophthalmic)	\$ 5,000.00
Shell scheme booth (SurgiPro)	\$ 5,000.00
Shell scheme booth (Vitop)	\$ 5,000.00
Purchase of additional badges (SurgiPro)	\$ 130.80
Payment for bottled mineral water (Carl Zeiss lunch symposium)	\$ 120.45
Payment for bottled mineral water (Hoya lunch symposium)	\$ 64.12
Payment for bento breakfast (Topcon breakfast symposium)	\$ 1,596.85
Payment for delegate registration, bento box for lunch symposium and bottled mineral water (EssilorLuxottica lunch symposium)	\$ 6,687.15
Payment for high tea bento (CooperVision teatime symposium)	\$ 2,114.60
Refund of logo design fee (double charge)	\$ 500.15
Refund of excess travel grant to SSO bank account (US\$3,000 x 1.30)	\$ 3,900.00
Sub Total	\$ 160,114.12
Others	
Sponsorship of SSO Women's Chapter Event, 1 Mar 2025, Eat at My Kitchen (Roche)	\$ 3,000.00
Co-payment for wine purchase for SSO/COPH New Year Dinner on 10 Jan 2025 (COPH)	\$ 147.15
Sponsorship for Private Ophthalmologists Event at Vineyard on 19 June 2025 (Carl Zeiss)	\$ 5,000.00
Sponsorship of education fund to support YO activities at 3rd Global Young Ophthalmologist Summit in Taipei - US\$5,000 (Carl Zeiss)	\$ 6,530.00

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Payment from Santen Pharmaceuticals for the grant sponsorship for	
i) 9th Asia Cornea Society Biennial Scientific Meeting (2 ophthalmologists)	\$ 2,814.50
ii) World Glaucoma Congress (1 ophthalmologist)	\$ 913.33
iii) Santen Vision Summit (2 ophthalmologists)	\$ 3,570.00
iv) 37th APACRS Annual Meeting (1 ophthalmologist)	\$ 1,000.00
Payment from Wellchem for the grant sponsorship for	
i) 40th APAO Congress, New Delhi (1 ophthalmologist)	\$ 2,000.00
Admin Fee for processing congress passes on behalf of Santen for	
i) 9th Asia Cornea Society Biennial Scientific Meeting (2 ophthalmologists)	\$ 100.00
ii) World Glaucoma Congress (1 ophthalmologist)	\$ 50.00
iii) Santen Vision Summit (2 ophthalmologists)	\$ 100.00
iv) 37th APACRS Annual Meeting (1 ophthalmologist)	\$ 50.00
Sub Total	\$ 25,274.98
Grand Total	\$ 185,659.10

Closing Balance as at 31 December 2025	
	Society of Ophthalmology Bank account 323,179.95
31/12/2025	Total \$ 323,179.95



Clin Assoc Prof Anna Tan
Treasurer



Dr Wong Chee Wai
Auditor