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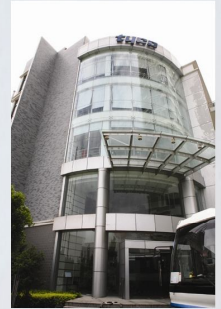
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# APAGE Future Events

2009 International Workshop on  
Animal Hands-on Lab  
in Shanghai, China  
Venue: C.C.I.  
Date: May 21–24, 2009



2009 Regional Meeting  
in Kunming, China  
Venue: Horizon Hotel Kunming  
Date: June 13–15, 2009

2009 Annual Meeting

2010 International Workshop on  
Animal Hands-on Lab  
in Shanghai, China  
Venue: C.C.I.  
Date: May 21–23, 2010  
Focus on: Endometrial Cancer

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### Welcome Message from the President

Dear Friends!

It is my greatest pleasure to announce all of you that the 9th Annual Congress of the Asia Pacific Association for Gynecologic Endoscopy and Minimally Invasive Therapy (APAGE) is being prepared and programmed by Professor Joo-Hyun Nam. It will be held in Daegu, Korea from October 9 to 11, 2008.


I believe that the need for endoscopic surgery and minimally invasive therapy in Asia Pacific region are increased year by year and APAGE founded in 2003 plays important roles to answer these requirements. The Congress President, Professor Nam, has a clear aims for the meeting to level up the academic standard of the gynecologic endoscopy and minimally invasive therapy.

We will have opportunity to exchange advanced knowledge and cutting-edge information and will be able to promote friendly relationship between us from many of the Asia Pacific countries in Korea as it was in Taiwan, Hong Kong, Australia, and Japan where successful APAGE annual meeting has been held.

The panned venue for the conference, Daegu, is located at the center of East Asia and famous as one of the most historical, cultural and technological city in Korea. Seasonally, the congress will be held in October which may be the most pleasant time of the year there. I have no doubts that you and your accompanying guests will fill your free time with wonderful moments to be treasured always.

I would like to take this opportunity to express sincere appreciation to Professor Nam and his colleagues for their effort to make the congress successful. I also would like to thank Korean Society of Gynecologic Endoscopy and Minimally Invasive Surgery for the sponsorship of the congress. On behalf of myself and all the participants, I would also thank them for their kind hospitality during congress in advance.

I am sure that the congress would be a milestone of widespread expansion of endoscopic surgery in the Asia Pacific regions and be memorable for all participants. I hope to see you and get together in Daegu, Korea in coming October 2008.



Osamu Tsutsumi, M.D., Ph.D.

President, Asia Pacific Association for Gynecologic Endoscopy and Minimally Invasive Therapy

**Welcome Message from the Chairman of Board of Trustee**

*Chyi-Long Lee*

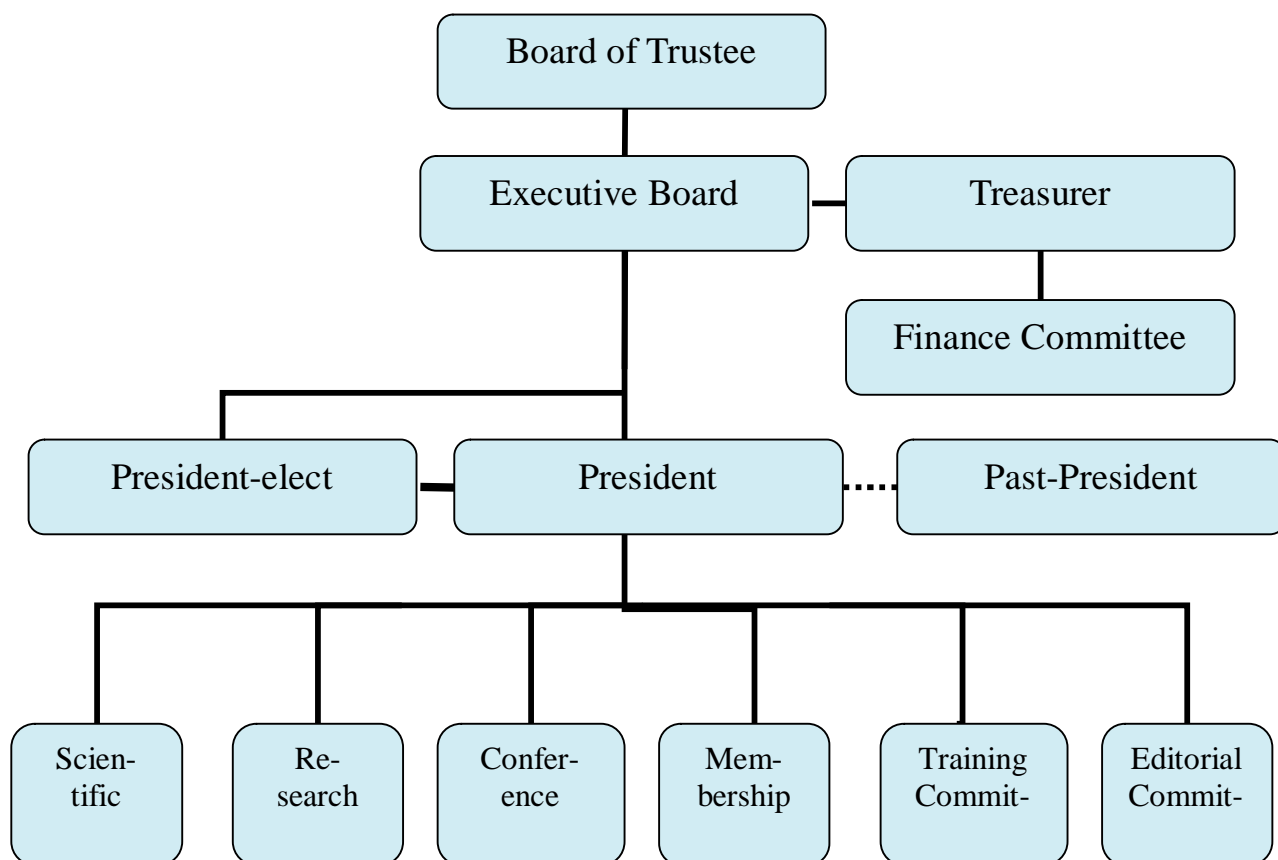


Chyi-Long Lee, M.D., Ph.D.

Chairman of Board of Trustee, Asia Pacific Association for Gynecologic Endoscopy and Minimally Invasive Therapy



# Organization Chart



## Introduction to Officers



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### 2008 APAGE Annual Meeting in Korea

Dear Colleagues:

This is to extend my heartfelt welcome to all the delegates at the 9th Annual Congress of the Asia Pacific Association for Gynecologic Endoscopy and Minimally Invasive Therapy.

As you may be well aware, this society has had a prodigious history since its establishment in 2003. The Society's membership has grown remarkably over the past few years ; a reflection of the increasing necessity and demand to share research achievements and further professional training in gynecological endoscopy.

It is very significant for us to host this congress for the first time in Korea so that we have dedicated our utmost effort to organize the scientific program covering every possible topic in order to level up the APAGE to the international standard of medical science. In this regard, it is our honor to have Professor Franklin D. Loffer as the keynote lecturer who had greatly devoted this field, not to speak of many outstanding invited speakers and contributors who will make presentations at the plenary session and oral/poster presentation sessions.

In parallel with the congress, a commercial exhibition participated by about 30 medical companies is to be held during the congress, which delegates can obtain broader knowledge and information.

For the delegates from over 20 different countries, we have arranged a colorful and exotic list of social activities to introduce you to Korea. It is my hope that your stay in Daegu will be a pleasant and rewarding experience on both a professional and personal lever.



Joo-Hyun Nam, M.D., Ph.D.  
President, Organizing Committee

9th Annual Congress of the Asia Pacific Association for Gynecologic Endoscopy and Minimally Invasive Therapy



## APAGE 2008 Korea

9th Annual Congress  
of the Asia Pacific Association for Gynecologic Endoscopy  
and Minimally Invasive Therapy

October 9(Thu) ~ 11(Sat), 2008 Hotel Inter-Burgo, Daegu, Korea



## Reflection of Attending 2007 APAGE Regional Meeting

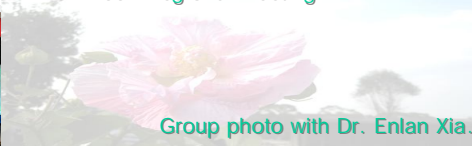
Dr. Chyi-Long Lee, Dr. Chia-Woei Wang

2007 APAGE Regional Meeting was held in Xi'an, China and this meeting was hosted by Xi'an Jiao Tong University mainly, and the head convener was Dr. Xue Xiang from Xi'an Hospital, the first ancillary hospital of Xi'an Jiao Tong University, and this congress was run by Xi'an Jiao Tong University cooperated with Taiwan Association for Minimally Invasive Gynecology and Chinese Gynecologic Endoscopy Group. There were nearly hundreds of foreign doctors participating in this congress, which include about 20 doctors from Taiwan, 12 doctors from Hong Kong, 2 to 3 doctors from Singapore, 20 doctors from Thailand, 6 to 7 doctors from Korea, 2 doctors from Philippines and almost 500 doctors from China. The participants who were not registered were about 700 people; all the participants were enthusiastic so it was really a pretty successful congress.

The principal of Xi'an Jiao Tong University, the president of its ancillary hospital and some important cadre members were co-hosting the opening ceremony and it was obvious that the host of this congress did value this event. After circumspectly delivering a congratulatory speech, president of APAGE, Prof. Pong Mo Yuen, and president of ISGE, Prof. Peter J. Maher, dividedly addressed their own speech; Prof. Peter J. Maher mentioned that there were not many doctors who involved in the field of studying endoscopic surgery even it had been followed out over ten years, and he clarified that the reason was that many gynecologists did not have a completed training system; furthermore, Prof. Pong Mo Yuen talked about therapeutical state on the demonstration of robotic surgery in Hong Kong Sanatorium & Hospital, and the speech was outstanding; and then I delivered a speech regarding the latest remedy state of cervical cancer, and the speech content was splendid and was very appealing. Besides, the speeches of doctors from other countries were very constructive too.



The Audience in the APAGE 2007 Regional Meeting.



Group photo with Dr. Enlan Xia.



Surgical demonstration was arranged on the fourth day, and Dr. Kuan Gen Huang and I demonstrated the eradiated surgery of cervical cancer. Thanks to the local congress that they arranged staff for narrating process of surgery, Dr. Huang and I could be concentrated more on the operation. The whole surgery was finished within three and half hours. Not only it caused minor hemorrhage but also it proceeded efficiently and successfully. After the surgery, many people expressed that they had benefited much by this demonstration. Later, we went back to the congress hall and participated the closing ceremony.

At the beginning of closing ceremony, Prof. Pong Mo Yuen, the present president, awarded golden medal to the next president, Prof. Osamu Tsutsumi, and this symbolized the inheritance of APAGE, then I presented a memorial medal to the host of this regional meeting, Dr. Xue Xiang. The congress had a successful ending.

APAGE Board Members in the APAGE 2007 Regional Meeting.



This was the first time that APAGE regional meeting was held in Xi'an, an ancient city of China. The participants were over 700 people, and even foreign visitors were hundreds of them at least, and everyone was happily enjoying in it, thus it made the congress much more bustling and cheerful. Certainly the speech and essays were very substantial in content and they were truly academically valued. This congress was indeed a pretty successful regional meeting.

Besides attending 2007 APAGE regional meeting, we also joined the city tour which was arranged by the local host. We spent a day in Xi'an tour and visited some famous spots, such as Mausoleum of the first Qin Emperor, Bell and Drum Tower, Hua Qing palace and trip of Mount Hua and they were all fantastically impressing.



2007 APAGE Regional Meeting in Xi'an.

From upper-left, Dr. Peter Maher, Dr. Bao-Liang Lin, Dr. Prashant Mangeshkar, Dr. Jong Hyeok Kim.

From down-left, Dr. Osamu Tsutsumi, Dr. Chyi-Long Lee and Dr. Pong Mo Yuen



The congress hotel.

First of all, we visited Hua-Qing Hot Spring, and it is known for where Consort Yang Yuhuan bathed, and it is also the historic background of a famous poem 'The Song of Eternal Sorrow' composed by best-known Chinese Poet, Bai Juyi. The poem describes that Emperor Xuanzong and Consort Yang Yuhuan were made of lovely couple. However, the emperor fell for her extreme beauty and indulged in pleasure. In addition to experiencing long time of peace and prosperity, Xuanzong neglected military tasks and national condition, thus led to his courtiers' rebellion and outside invasion. Many people blamed on that beautiful consort and soldiers refused to fight for their king until she was hanged by the reluctant but sorrowful command of her husband; once again, beauty itself was mistaken for the cause of a nation's corruption. When we visited Hua Qing Palace, we found that Hua Qing Hot Spring has simple design, it was only decorated by marbles and modern artificial palace, but we could visualize that the material the emperor owned was quite limited when compared with present day. Through history, the construction still appears very newfangled and heavenly; perhaps after ages, our descendants would find it plain and ordinary, but for the finale, it is still the place where Consort Yang Yuhuan past away.



Mausoleum of the first Qin Emperor is truly spectacular. Square measure of terra-cotta warriors and horses occupied more than three football fields although what we can see is only a small part of the mausoleum. It is perceived that Qin Dynasty (2000 years B.C.) did not have well-developing technology and abundantly exquisite material like nowadays, but in the condition of sufficient manpower, they built up an earth-shatteringly historic monument. However, owing to the supernatural worship the ancient emperor thought he could be guarded after resurrection, thus he made plenty of terra-cotta warriors and horses to protect his flesh. I could not help thinking that life is so short and we should cease the day and cherish all we have now, then we will never regret when we rest in peace.

In the trip of Mount Hua, when we climbed to the peak of Mount Hua, there was a stone, carved 'Swordplay Competition on Mount Hua' by Jin Yong, a very famous Chinese swordsman fiction writer. We all posed like sword fighters and made fun to each other. Although we are not swordsman, we hold surgical knives to do endoscopic surgery to fight for a patient's life.

2007 APAGE regional meeting was ended in joyful, intellectual and perceptual atmosphere and we all had a really pleasant time.



Hua mountain in Xi'an.



Hua-Qing Hot Spring



Dr. Mitsuru Shiota, Dr. Osamu Tsutsumi, Dr. Xiang Xue, Dr. Chyi-Long Lee, Dr. Boa-Liang Lin, and Dr. Chia-Woei Wang



Taiwan delegate in Xi'an Old City Walls.

## International Fellowship Endoscopy Training Program at Chang Gung Memorial Hospital in Taiwan

Kuan-Gen Huang

Practicing international training and certification is one of the aims in APAGE. For quality control, Training Center must fit criteria set up by Training Committee of APAGE. APAGE international fellowship endoscopy training program at Chang Gung Memorial Hospital in Taiwan has two different training programs, one is basic training program for new endoscopists, another one is advanced training program for experienced gynecologists for the purpose of sub-special profession training (now is open for gynecologic oncology field only). The most attractive arrangement is hands-on session, but it is not available for short-term training (less than 3 months).

The basic training program is designed for General Gynecology, including laparoscopic hysterectomy, laparoscopic myomectomy, ovarian tumor and endometriosis surgery.

The advanced training program is designed for sub-special field, especially for oncologists now.

Basic training program ( Endoscopist Qualification )	
B-1	One month course ( visiting course )
B-2	Three months course ( second-assistant hands-on course)
B-3	Six months course (first-assistant hands-on course)
B-4	One year course (surgery hands-on training course)

Advanced training program ( Sub-special Profession Training )	
A-1	One month course ( visiting course )
A-2	Three months course (second-assistant hands-on course)
A-3	Six months course (first-assistant hands-on course) (hands-on training course)
A-4	One year course (surgery hands-on training course)
A-5	Two year course (complete endoscopy training course)

Essential Documents:	
1 、	CV
2 、	A copy of Diploma
3 、	A copy of medical practice license
4 、	A copy of passport
5 、	A recommendation letter
6 、	A copy of experience certification
7 、	2; color photo (formal)
8 、	Agreement (Please see attached)

The most attractive part is two-year training course, it is most suitable for doctors who are interested in academic research and choose endoscopy surgery as their main career in the future.

International fellowship training is free at Chang Gung Memorial Hospital, we also afford free accommodation. To visit Chang Gung Memorial hospital, we have to ask applicants to complete some administration processes.

To apply for International Fellowship Training, you must prepare formal documentations and we need submit to our Government Health Department, and it will take for at least 3 months for examination.

All trainees will get two documentations after finishing training course; one is from Chang Gung Memorial Hospital and another one is from APAGE.

If you are interested in these training programs and would to obtain further information, welcome to visit APAGE website <http://www.apagemit.com/en/index.asp> or contact with APAGE Secretary, Daphne Yang, by E-Mail: [taoge@adm.cgmh.org.tw](mailto:taoge@adm.cgmh.org.tw).





## My APAGE Training Program at Chang Gung Memorial Hospital in Taiwan

Dr. Veerapol Khemarangsarn

APAGE had been my home for eight months, ever since my master, Professor Chyi-Long Lee, had approved my application into the APAGE International Fellowship Training Program. Right from the start, I was moved by the truly heartwarming welcome from the master, medical professors, nurses and colleagues. Even though I had some difficulties with the language, they took very good care of me and treated me as if I was one of their own.

As Chang Gung Memorial Hospital is one of the leading tertiary centers in the world, it comprises of 5000 patient beds and life here is substantial because I was occupied with works and activities. The program was issued with student-based policy, where it was arranged and implemented according to the individual requirements. This made us fully used of our time with total benefits. Over here, we participated in all of their activities; including the out-patient department, surgery rooms, departmental meetings, morbidity and mortality conference and the wards. We were allowed to communicate with the patients and handled them with our masters; guidance. We were able to learn new technology and less invasive treatments which we did not have the chance to see it before in our countries. APAGE did not only provide us with knowledge, but also give us the opportunities to experience the world. During my training program, I was able to follow my master to four regional and two international meetings where I was able to contact with the renowned laparoscopists that were introduced by my master. The meetings were great and I had learned a lot of the social activities.

We accommodated in Chang Gung Memorial Hospital that was free of charge. Even though, the place was small, it was convenience and comfortable. There were varieties of foods selling inside the hospital and the prices were not expensive. The hospital was surrounded with shops and markets where you could spend your evening shopping around. The hospital-buses were free and we could possibly go to Taipei with ease. Live outside hometown was not that bad after all.

Taiwan is a beautiful country with the blend of different cultural traditions from China, Japan and its own native ways, and it also has a variety of wonderful religious customs, exciting festivals, delicious food and eye-catching crafts. With free times, I had the chance to visit the Taroko Gorge, Sun Moon Lake, volcanic hot springs, Alishan and many other places. I was moved, charmed and excited by all these places. These places were valuable and memorable sights. I am happy to be here and greatly appreciate all the knowledge that APAGE has given me.



APAGE 2008 International Workshop, in Shanghai.

Dr. Veerapol Khemarangsarn, Dr. Chumrus Sakulpaisarn, Dr. Jong-Hyeok Kim, and Dr. Somchai Kovitcharoenkul.



### **International Journal of Minimally Invasive Gynecology**

Minimally invasive therapy is developing rapidly in the Asia Pacific region. Many surgical experience, new operative techniques and innovative instruments have been developed and novel challenges have been successfully achieved. It is vital that these important clinical and scientific experience, knowledge and skills be conveyed to the world, and an efficient and easily accessible channel is required to achieve these aims. It is our honor and pride to launch the International Journal of Minimally Invasive Gynecology.

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Pong Mo Yuen, M.D., Ph.D.

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#### Book

1. Parker WH, Parker RL. A Gynecologist's Second Opinion: The Questions and Answers You Need to Take Charge of Your Health. New York: Penguin; 1996.

#### Chapter in a book

1. Yuen PM and Ng PS. Ectopic pregnancy: Salpingostomy and salpingectomy. In: Tulandi T ed. Atlas of Laparoscopy and Hysteroscopy Techniques. 3rd ed, United Kingdom: Informa Healthcare; 2007: 25-8.

#### Presentation

1. Leung PL, Lok IH, Ng PS, Yuen PM. Effect of Maintaining Intrauterine Pressure During Thermal Balloon Endometrial Ablation for Treatment of Idiopathic Menorrhagia. Paper presented at: 6th Annual Congress of the Asia Pacific Association for Gynecologic Endoscopy and Minimally Invasive Therapy; November 28-30, 2005; Hong Kong SAR.

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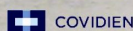
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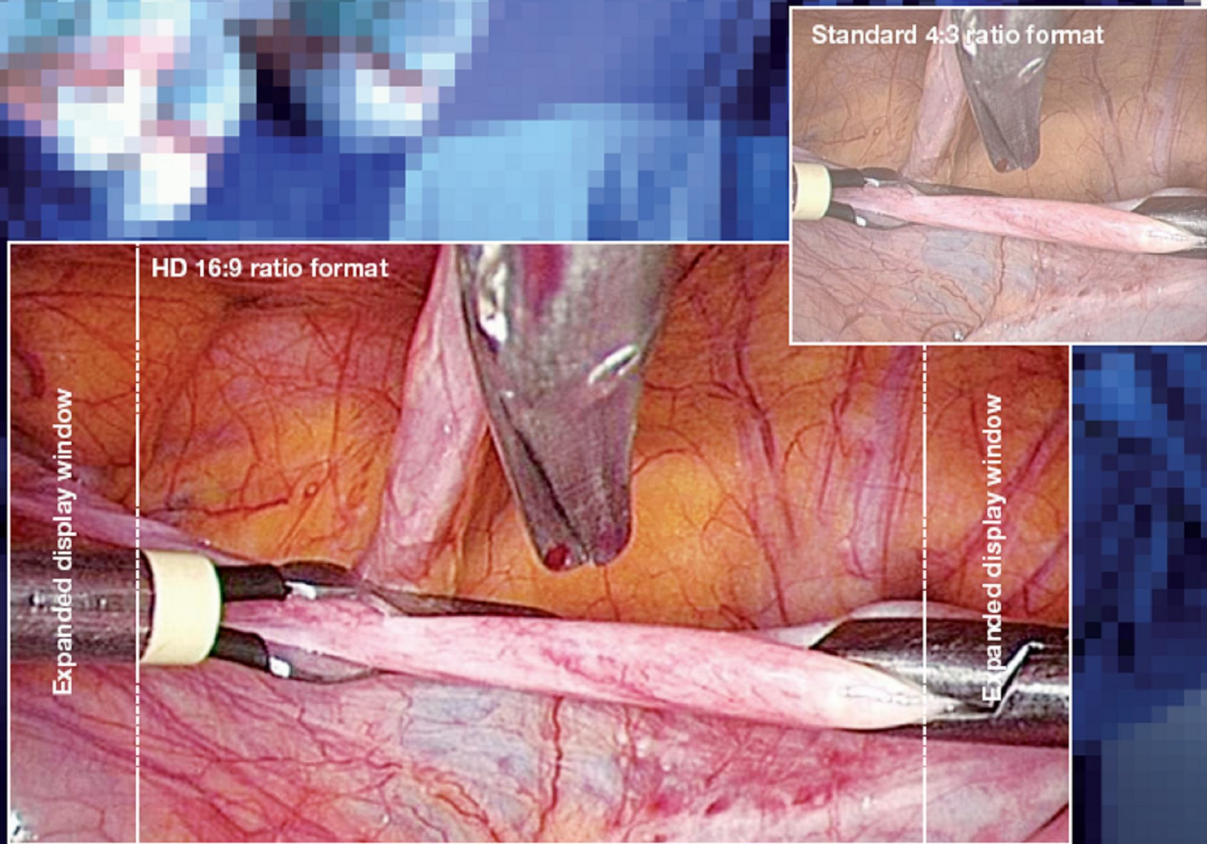




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