



31st Annual Scientific Sessions of the Sri Lanka College of Microbiologists

“The role of clinical microbiologist within clinical governance framework: From blueprint to reality”

Pre-Congress workshop on quality and safety in health care : overcoming challenges – 24th August 2022

- 08.00 a.m. – 08.25 a.m. **Registration**
- 08.25 a.m. – 08.30 a.m. **Welcome Address**
Dr. Geethika Patabendige
President SLCM
- 08.30 a.m. – 09.15 a.m. *The use of information technology (IT) to improve the quality of delivering microbiological services*
Dr. Roshan Jayasuriya
- 09.15 a.m. – 10.00 a.m. *Professionalism and communication*
Prof. Narada Warnasuriya
- 10.00 a.m. – 10.15 a.m. **Tea**
- 10.15 a.m. – 11.00 a.m. *How to plan research in achieving best clinical effectiveness?*
Prof. Enoka Corea
- 11.00 a.m. – 11.45 a.m. *Key determinants of an effective antibacterial agent*
Prof. Shalini Sri Ranganathan
- 11.45 a.m. – 12.30 p.m. *Biosecurity and bioterrorism*
Dr. Sjors Schulpen
- 12.30 p.m. – 01.15 p.m. *Clinical governance and risk management in laboratory and healthcare quality*
Dr. Jumoke Sule
- 01.15 p.m. Lunch and **End of the session of the day**

Day 1 – Scientific programme – 25th August 2022

- 08.00 a.m. – 08.30 a.m. **Registration**
- 08.30 a.m. – 09.15 a.m. **Free paper session 1 – Bacteriology, Virology and Parasitology**
- 09.15 a.m. – 09.45 a.m. **Tea**
- 09.45 a.m. – 10.45 a.m. **Symposium 1 – Optimized combined medical and surgical management of skeletal prosthesis**
Diagnosis and management of prosthetic joint and hardware associated infection
Dr. Yuen Su
Skeletal prosthesis and infection-The story of the foot print
Dr. K. Umaphathy
- 10.45 a.m. – 11.45 a.m. **Plenary 1**
Overview on common immunodeficiency case scenarios (PID) in Sri Lanka
Dr. Rajiva De Silva
- 11.45 a.m. – 12.30 p.m. **Free paper session 2 – Bacteriology**
- 12.30 p.m. – 01.30 p.m. **Lunch**
- 01.30 p.m. – 02.45 p.m. **Symposium 2 – Challenges in haemopoietic stem cell transplantation (HSCT)**
Pre-transplant screening, prophylaxis and pre-emptive therapy in HSCT related infections
Dr. Saranga Sumathipala
HSCT associated infections and management
Dr. Gabriela M. Marón Alfaro
Challenges in setting up and sustaining a HSCT unit, local perspective
Dr. Samanmalee Gunasekara

- 02.45 p.m. – 03.45 p.m. **Plenary 2**
Introduction of multi-disciplinary antimicrobial stewardship (AMS) ward rounds at a tertiary hospital
Dr. Sumita K. Pai
- 03.45 p.m. – 04.30 p.m. **Plenary 3**
Diagnosis and mitigation of hospital acquired infection with a special focus on molecular diagnostics
Dr. Shankar Sengupta
- 04.30 p.m. **Tea and End of the day one proceedings**

Day 2 – Scientific programme – 26th August 2022

- 08.00 a.m. – 08.30 a.m. **Registration**
- 08.30 a.m. – 09.30 a.m. **Free paper session 3-Virology**
- 09.30 a.m. – 10.00 a.m. **Tea**
- 10.00 a.m. – 11.15 a.m. **Plenary 4**
Emerging fungal infections
Prof. Adilia Warris
- 11.15 a.m. – 12.15 p.m. **Symposium 3 – Paediatric central nervous system infections**
Central nervous system infections in children – clinical insight
Prof. Philip Britton
Toxoplasmosis in children
Prof. Alison M Kesson
Diagnostic support for CNS infections in children
Dr. Dhammika Vidanagama
- 12.15 p.m. – 01.15 p.m. **Plenary 5**
Post-COVID syndromes and their management
Dr. Harsha Sathischandra
- 01.15 p.m. – 02.15 p.m. **Lunch**
- 02.15 p.m. – 03.45 p.m. **Interactive session on case scenarios**
- 03.45 p.m. – 04.15 p.m. **Award ceremony and close of conference**
- 04.15 p.m. **Tea**

Post-Congress Workshop on Managerial Leadership Excellence – an Interactive Training – (SLCM Members only)

- Date: 27th August 2022
Time: 09.00 a.m. – 04.00 p.m.
Venue: “Lionel Memorial Auditorium”, Sri Lanka Medical Association, Colombo 07
- Resource Person: **Prof. Ajantha Dharmasiri**
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