

KEY INFORMATION

Date of Congress: 7 – 10 November 2008
Congress Venue: Grand Copthorne Waterfront Hotel, Singapore

DATES & DEADLINES

Registration

Early Bird Registration: 31 August 2008
Normal Registration: 20 October 2008
(only on-site registration will be available after this date)

Abstract Submission

Abstract Submission: 30 June 2008
Notification of Acceptance: 15 August 2008

REGISTRATION

	PSS Members
Early Bird Registration (before 31 August 2008)	SGD 450.00
Normal Registration (before 20 October 2008)	SGD 550.00
On-site Registration	SGD 650.00

- All delegates are encouraged to register online at www.fapa2008.com
- Faxed copies and hardcopy registration forms are accepted with complete credit card information or full payment.
- Each delegate must use a separate form for registration. Photocopies of registration form can be made for additional delegates.
- Registrations will be processed after the requisite registration fee and documentation are received.
- All fees are in Singapore Dollars (SGD). All banking charges must be borne by the delegates.

Cancellation

Cancellation of registration has to be received in writing to the FAPA 2008 Registration Manager. An administrative fee of SGD 200.00 will apply for any cancellation on or before 30 September 2008. No refund will be given for phone cancellations and cancellations after 30 September 2008. Please allow up to eight weeks to process your registration refund.

ABOUT THE CONGRESS

About FAPA:

The Federation of Asian Pharmaceutical Associations (FAPA) represents national pharmaceutical organisations from countries in the Asia Pacific region. Its current members include the Pharmaceutical Society of Australia, Pharmaceutical Society of Hongkong, Indian Pharmaceutical Association, Ikatan Sarjana Farmasi Indonesia, Japan Pharmaceutical Association, Korean Pharmaceutical Association, Malaysian Pharmaceutical Association, Pakistan Pharmacists Association, Philippine Pharmaceutical Association, Pharmaceutical Society of Singapore, Pharmaceutical Society of Taiwan, and the Pharmaceutical Association of Thailand under Royal Patronage.

Within FAPA, there are 9 different sections i.e. Phytopharmacy and Pharmacopeia, Community Pharmacy, Hospital and clinical Pharmacy, Pharmaceutical Legislation, Ethics and Regulatory, Drug Marketing and Socio-economic pharmacy, Industrial Pharmacy, Pharmaceutical Education And Student, Scientific and the FAPA-College of Pharmacy.

FAPA was founded in 1964 with the aim of developing the Pharmacy profession in the Asia Pacific region. Its major activity is the biennial FAPA Congress held in various member countries.

Conference Theme:

Translational Research: The Approach to Quality Healthcare

The outcomes of translational research are cost-effective management of disease occurrence, and reduction of morbidity and mortality in patients through the application of scientific discoveries from laboratory, clinical or population studies.

FAPA 2008 aims to provide a platform for pharmacists, pharmaceutical scientists and clinicians to interact and share their collaborative research and practice experiences in our effort to achieve quality patient-oriented healthcare.

Programme:

A 4-day programme is being planned and it will be organized into 3 thematic symposiums, which support the main conference theme. Currently, 3 themes (and some topics) have been proposed:

1. Innovative Patient Centred Drug Development

- Liposomal Drug Delivery – An Update
- Modernization of Traditional Medicine
- The Application of Nanotechnology in Drug Delivery
- New Drug Molecules from Combinatorial Chemistry
- Process Analytical Technology – an Innovative Step towards Quality Manufacturing
- The Application of Informatics in Drug Discovery

2. Safe and Cost Effective Healthcare for Patients

- Pharmacovigilance – The Role of Pharmacists in Reducing Drug Related Problems
- Counterfeit Medicines and Parallel Imports – Impact on Safety and Cost-Effective Therapy
- Medication Safety – Are We Doing Enough?

- Cost Effective Supply Chain – Cold chain supply and product stability & safety
- Top 10 non-compliance to drug registration submission – An Asia-Pacific Forum Discussion
- Generic Biotechnology Drugs – How Similar Are They?
- Managing Dashboards for Safer Patient Care

3. Translating Science Into Practice

- Drug eluting stents in myocardial infarction – Where are we now?
- Gene Therapy: Science and Implication in Pharmacy Practice
- Innovative IT-based Pharmacy Education
- Therapeutic Innovations in Oncology: Focus multi-targeted Therapies
- Pharmaceutical Care through Pharmacoinformatics
- The Economics of Optimal Therapeutic Outcomes
- From the Bench to the Bedside; A Clinical Case Study

Each symposium will consist of plenary lectures and break out sessions. The plenary lectures will be relevant to the theme of the symposium while the breakout sessions will encompass topics of interests to the various sections. Some of the topics include:

- Updates in Therapeutics 2008
- Clinical Pearls 2008
- Controversies/Debates in Therapeutics 2008
- Managing Quality “Dashboard” for Better Patient Care
- Pharmainformatics: Data Management and Analysis for Better Outcomes
- Medication Safety - Are we doing enough?
- Debating Key Issues in Pharmaceutical Technology
- Antibiotic Utilization: A new look at the therapeutic interchange, surgical prophylaxis, stewardship and informatics
- Advances in Transplant Medicine
- Pharmacy Leadership Forum

The objective of this format is to aim at providing different platforms for interaction between the delegates. The outcome of this arrangement will enable delegates to learn about translational research and its relevance to healthcare; and at the same time also receive the latest updates on an area of personal interest.

PROGRAMME OVERVIEW

	7 November 2008 Friday	8 November 2008 Saturday	9 November 2008 Sunday	10 November 2008 Monday
AM	FAPA Bureau Meeting	Registration	Registration	Section Meeting 1
		Trade Exhibition Poster Presentations	Symposium A – Innovative Patient Centred Drug Development Plenary Session	
PM	Registration		Trade Exhibition Poster Presentations	Symposium C – Translating Science into Practice Plenary Session
	Closed Directorate Meeting Section Chair and Co-chair Meeting	Symposium B – Safe & Cost Effective Healthcare for Patients Plenary Session		
EVENING	Opening Ceremony Keynote Lecture Award Presentation	Section Meeting 1 Section Meeting 2 Section Meeting 3 Section Meeting 4	Section Meeting 1 Section Meeting 2 Section Meeting 3 Section Meeting 4	Educational Field Trips 1. Hospital 2. Community 3. Industry 4. Academia
	Trade Exhibition Welcome Reception			Workshops Gala Dinner

CALL FOR ABSTRACTS

1. All participants of the Congress are invited to submit abstracts of scientific study to be considered for poster or oral presentation.
2. Registration for the Congress is **COMPULSORY** for all accepted presenters.
3. The abstracts will be published in the Book of Abstracts only if full payment of the registration is made before 15 September 2008 by the presenting author.
4. All abstracts **MUST** be submitted electronically through the conference website www.fapa2008.com
5. All details in the Abstract form must be provided with the submission.

Deadline for Abstract Submission: 30 June 2008
Notification of Abstract Acceptance: 15 August 2008

Abstract Submission Guidelines:

FORMAT

- a. Abstracts should be in English and not exceed 250 words.
- b. Please type in Microsoft Words format, Times New Roman font, at size of 12 points.
- c. Title: Type in capital letters, bold and not exceeding 70 characters. Leave a line between title and names of authors.
- d. Authors: Use surname first, followed by initials in capital letters for the given names. Affiliations should come after the authors' names.

LAYOUT

- e. The text should use the following layout and sub-headings to be typed in bold:
 - Objective
 - Methods
 - Results
 - Conclusions
- f. Abbreviations are allowed only after the term has been mentioned in full, followed by the abbreviation in parentheses.
- g. Write regimen dosing in full. For example, "TID" should be written as "three times daily".

TOPICS

- h. All abstracts should relate to one of the following topics
 - i. Scientific
 - ii. Pharmaceutical Education
 - iii. Industrial Pharmacy
 - iv. Drug Marketing and Socio-Economic Pharmacy
 - v. Pharmaceutical Legislation, Ethics and Regulatory Affairs
 - vi. Hospital and Clinical Pharmacy
 - vii. Community Pharmacy
 - viii. Phytopharmacy and Pharmacopeia

Note:

- An acknowledgement will be sent within 24 hours upon receipt of the abstract.
- If more than one abstract is submitted by the same author, please make sure that the name is exactly the same on each submission.
- Authors for abstracts accepted for presentation must be responsible for all expenses incurred in the production of their presentation, travel and accommodation during the Congress.
- Selected abstracts may be invited to be presented as oral presentations.