



APHRS 2022

S I N G A P O R E

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The 15th Scientific Session of the Asia Pacific Heart Rhythm Society (APHRS 2022) was held on 18-20 November at Suntec City Convention Centre Singapore. Organized by the Heart Rhythm Association Singapore (HRAS), the APHRS 2022 celebrated a new chapter for the society, as it was the first annual scientific session held in-person since 2019. It also marked the first time the APHRS conference returned to Singapore since its inaugural session in 2008. Over the course of 3 days, the APHRS 2022 featured an elaborated scientific programme, with 134 scientific sessions covering the field of both adult and pediatric electrophysiology, device management and the basic sciences.



REGISTRATION

APHRS 2022 attracted 2,038 participants from 45 countries.

No	Country	Count	No	Country	Count
01	Singapore	396	24	Mexico	1
02	Argentina	2	25	Mongolia	4
03	Australia	155	26	Myanmar	8
04	Austria	11	27	Nepal	1
05	Bangladesh	5	28	Netherlands	2
06	Belgium	1	29	New Zealand	11
07	Brunei Darussalam	7	30	Oman	2
08	Cambodia	22	31	Pakistan	2
09	Canada	7	32	Philippines	38
10	China	81	33	Poland	2
11	Croatia	1	34	Saudi Arabia	2
12	Czech Republic	3	35	South Korea	182
13	Denmark	1	36	Spain	5
14	Finland	2	37	Sri Lanka	3
15	France	6	38	Switzerland	1
16	Germany	4	39	Taiwan	152
17	Hong Kong	38	40	Thailand	131
18	India	97	41	Turkey	2
19	Indonesia	87	42	United Kingdom	17
20	Israel	2	43	United States	190
21	Italy	11	44	Vietnam	78
22	Japan	157	45	Unknown	17
23	Malaysia	91		Grand Total	2038

SCIENTIFIC PROGRAMME

APHRS 2022 featured an elaborated scientific programme, consisting of 134 scientific sessions within a span of 3 days. The programme also included joint sessions with international, regional and national societies, including EHRA, HRS, LAHRS, WSA, ISHNE, CSPE, CSA, Korean Heart Rhythm Society, Indian Heart Rhythm Society, Myanmar Cardiac Society, Hong Kong College of Cardiology and Heart Association of Thailand-EP Club.

No	Session Type	Count
01	Symposia	45
02	Plenary	1
03	TV Series (On-Demand Sessions)	10
04	Young Investigators' Award	2
05	Late Breaking Trials	2
06	APHRS Special Initiatives	2
07	GP Forum	1
08	Public Session	1
09	Oral Presentations	40
10	Industry Workshops and Courses	4
11	Industry Symposia	9
12	Industry Innovation Theatre Sessions	13
13	Pre & Post Industry Webinars	4
Grand Total		134

Inaugural Emerging Leaders Summit

The inaugural APHRS Emerging Leaders' Summit brought together 27 emerging leaders in cardiac electrophysiology from the Asia-Pacific region to meet, network with their peers and to gain insights and mentoring from senior established stalwarts and pioneers in the field.



ABSTRACTS

The conference accepted 484 abstracts, of which 8 abstracts were accepted for Young Investigators' Awards, 8 for Late Breaking Clinical Trials Presentation, 227 for Oral Presentations and 241 for Poster Presentations.

All the accepted abstracts were published in the Journal of Arrhythmia.

No	Theme	Oral Presentation	Poster Presentation	YIA	Late Breaking Trial	Count
01	Ablation Technology	19	17			36
02	Atrial Fibrillation	69	70	5		144
03	Basic Science	3	14	1		18
04	Cardiovascular Implantable Electronic Devices	42	59	1		102
05	General Electrophysiology / Prevention / Screening / Imaging / ECG	29	33	1		63
06	Heart Failure	11	6			17
07	Paediatrics and Grown-up Congenital Heart Disease	12	2			14
08	Supraventricular Tachycardia	8	10			18
09	Syncope and Sudden Cardiac Death	14	11			25
10	Ventricular Tachycardia	20	19			39
11	Late Breaking Trials Submission				8	8
	Grand Total	227	241	8	8	484



The Opening Ceremony was held on 18th November afternoon. The Ceremony started with a Lion Dance performance on stilts, signifying a “new beginning” for APHRS annual meeting’s return to in-person format, while wishing for great fortune and success for the society as a whole.

The opening addresses were addressed by the Organising Chairman of 15th APHRS, Professor Ching Chi-Keong, the APHRS President, Professor Wataru Shimizu, the Heart Rhythm Association of Singapore President, Dr Teo Wee-Siong, and the Guest of Honour, Minister Tan See-Leng, Minister of Manpower and 2nd Minister for Trade and Industry.



A Convocation for the APHRS Fellows also took place. Six fellows were recognised for their outstanding contributions to every aspect of clinical practice for patient care, research, scientific work and organizational activity in APHRS. The ceremony was wrapped up by the Plenary Lecture on the management of complex atrial fibrillation patients, delivered by Professor Gregory Lip.



Welcome Reception

The Welcome Reception was hosted in the APHRS 2022 Exhibition Hall, on 18th November evening. It was a great opportunity for all the delegates, faculty members and exhibitors to come together and engage in “in-person” conversations. Local delights and cultural performances were also prepared specifically for this occasion.



Faculty Night

The Faculty Night was held on 19th November evening, at The S.E.A. Aquarium. Welcomed by the divers, the delicious and authentic Chinese food, served in this fascinating venue with amazing company, certainly made it a memorable night for our invited faculty.



Fun Run

A morning run around the Marina Bay precinct was organized on the 20th November morning. Over 30 participants, both local and international, gathered together for a scenic run across some of Singapore's most popular attractions, such as Helix Bridge, Merlion, ArtScience Museum.



Closing Ceremony

The Closing Ceremony was held on the 20th November evening. The Young Investigator Award winners were awarded. The APHRS Fellowship Grants were then given out to awardees. The APHRS flag was then handed over to the next host country, Hong Kong.



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