

9th Congress of the Asian Pacific Society of Respirology

10 to 13 December 2004

Hong Kong Convention and Exhibition Centre

The 9th Congress of the Asian Pacific Society of Respirology was successfully convened from 10 to 13 December 2004 in Hong Kong. It was organized by the joint efforts of the Hong Kong Thoracic Society and the American College of Chest Physicians (Hong Kong and Macau Chapter), with support from the Hong Kong Lung Foundation. There were over 1,300 delegates from 34 countries and regions, with the largest number of delegates from Hong Kong (475 delegates), followed by mainland China (257), Vietnam (108), Malaysia (63), Indonesia (53), Taiwan (53), Thailand (53), Japan (45), Philippines (35) and Sri Lanka (26). The scientific programme consisted of 5 workshops, 5 plenary lectures, 2 memorial lectures, 14 symposia, a Radiology Grand Round and a Presidential Symposium.

Dr Henry Fok and Dr Ka-shing Li donated HK\$200,000 and HK\$150,000 respectively to the Hong Kong Lung Foundation which in turn sponsored 68 delegates from mainland China to attend the congress.

The following are some of the snapshots during the conference.

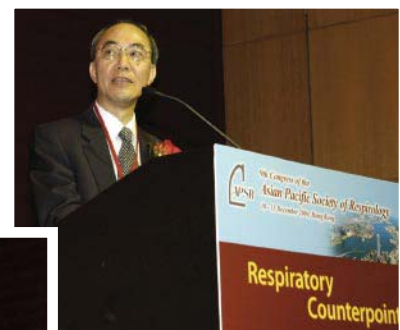


The Honourable Donald Tsang, GMB, JP, Chief Secretary for Administration of the HKSAR, giving his keynote address at the Opening Ceremony

(The Honourable Donald Tsang is now the Chief Executive of the HKSAR)



Professor Mary Ip, Chairman of the Congress Organizing Committee, presenting her opening remarks at the Opening Ceremony



Professor Wah-kit Lam, President of the Asian Pacific Society of Respirology and the Congress, delivering his welcome speech at the Opening Ceremony