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9th Asian Pacific Congress on Bronchology and
Interventional Pulmonology

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*Enhancing The Role Of
Interventional Pulmonologists
Beyond The Pandemic*



26th - 28th May 2023



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Welcome message from Congress President of 9th APCB 2023

Dear Colleagues and Friends,

Selamat Datang (Welcome).

On behalf of the Organizing Committee, I would like to cordially invite you to attend APCB 2023 (9th Asian Pacific Congress on Bronchology and Interventional Pulmonology) from May 26th to 28th at Putrajaya, Malaysia.

This biennial congress is organised by the Malaysian Association for Bronchology and Interventional Pulmonology (MABIP) under the auspices of the Asian Pacific Association for Bronchology and Interventional Pulmonology (APAB) and the World Association for Bronchology and Interventional Pulmonology (WABIP). It will be an in-person congress and will feature both adult and paediatric interventional pulmonology.

The congress was initially planned as a virtual event in October 2021. However, we had to make the bold decision to postpone it due to the worsening COVID-19 pandemic globally. As the COVID-19 situation continues to improve in Malaysia and around the world, we felt this was a good time to revert to its original format i.e., physical event.

The theme of the congress is '**Enhancing The Role Of Interventional Pulmonologists Beyond The Pandemic**'.

The COVID-19 pandemic had significantly affected interventional pulmonology work globally over the past 2 years and we had limited opportunity to perform interventional procedures in patients who needed them as the focus shifted to the pandemic. It was also a dangerous time for interventional pulmonologists to perform procedures in the airway during the pandemic. As a result, patient care was compromised as was training in interventional pulmonology. Now that we are entering the endemic phase of COVID-19, it is hoped that we can enhance the role of interventional pulmonologists and continue to educate and train junior pulmonologists.

As this is a full physical event, I trust that everyone will be looking forward to the congress where we get a chance to meet up with old friends, make new ones and exchange ideas in a convivial ambience.





Welcome message from Congress President of 9th APCB 2023 (continued)

The past few decades have seen many innovations in respiratory endoscopy and interventional pulmonology. It is wonderful that many countries in the Asian Pacific region have embraced interventional pulmonology and can offer minimally invasive diagnostic and therapeutic procedures to their patients.

We shall be inviting many experts from the Asia Pacific region to share their expertise and latest procedures/technologies with the delegates. Certain conditions are more common in Asia such as airway stenosis secondary to TB and pleural TB that requires interventional pulmonology and therefore, this congress is a good platform to learn from the experts through lectures and case-based discussion.

The Scientific Committee will do their best to put forward an exciting program which will include didactic lectures, case-based discussion, hands-on workshops, oral and poster presentations as well as video festival.

Malaysia is a Southeast Asian country occupying parts of the Malay Peninsula and the island of Borneo. It's known for its beaches, rainforests and mix of Malay, Chinese, Indian and European cultural influences.

Putrajaya is the administrative capital and the judicial capital of Malaysia, while Kuala Lumpur or KL is Malaysia's national capital city. As a planned city, Putrajaya boasts many attractions while KL is home to colonial buildings, busy shopping districts such as Bukit Bintang and skyscrapers including the iconic 451 m-tall Petronas Twin Towers and KL tower. Welcome to the 9th APCB.

We look forward to seeing you in person.



Jamalul Azizi Abdul Rahaman, MD
Congress President of 9th APCB 2023







Organising & Scientific Committee

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Programme at a glance

Day 1 26th May 2023 (Friday)





 Time (Duration)	 Lecture Hall 1 (Adult)	 Time (Duration)	 Lecture Hall 2 (Paediatrics)
0630 hrs	Registration Counter Opens		
0730 - 8000 hrs	Opening Ceremony / Plenary		
0800 - 0915 hrs	Early Lung Cancer Diagnosis: SPN	0800 - 1030 hrs	Symposium : Basic Bronchoscopy 1
0915 - 1030 hrs	Mediastinum: Diagnosis and Staging		
1030 - 1045 hrs	Tea Break & Exhibit Visit	1030 - 1045 hrs	Tea Break & Exhibit Visit
	Tea Symposium A		Tea Symposium B
1045 - 1200 hrs	Malignant Central Airway Obstruction (CAO)	1045 - 1300 hrs	Symposium : Basic Bronchoscopy 2
1200 - 1300 hrs	Approach to Pleural E°usion		
1300 - 1400 hrs	Lunch Break & Exhibit Visit	1300 - 1400 hrs	Lunch Break & Exhibit Visit
	Lunch Symposium A		Lunch Symposium B
1400 - 1515 hrs	Case Based Discussion 1	1400 - 1730 hrs	Hands on Workshop
1515 - 1630 hrs	Case Based Discussion 2		
1730 hrs	End of Day 1		



Programme at a glance (continued)

Day 2

27th May 2023 (Saturday)





 Time (Duration)	 Lecture Hall 1 (Adult)	 Time (Duration)	 Lecture Hall 2 (Paediatrics)
0730 hrs	Registration Counter Opens		
0800 - 0915 hrs	Benign Central Airway Obstruction (CAO)	0800 - 1030 hrs	Symposium (Diagnostic Bronchoscopy)
0915 - 1030 hrs	Mediastinum: Diagnosis and Staging		
1030 - 1045 hrs	Tea Break & Exhibit Visit	1030 - 1045 hrs	Tea Break & Exhibit Visit
	Tea Symposium C		Tea Symposium D
1045 - 1200 hrs	TB Stenosis	1045 - 1300 hrs	Symposium (Foreign Body)
1200 - 1300 hrs	Miscellaneous		
1300 - 1400 hrs	Lunch Break & Exhibit Visit	1300 - 1400 hrs	Lunch Break & Exhibit Visit
	Lunch Symposium C		Lunch Symposium D
1400 - 1515 hrs	Case Based Discussion 3	1400 - 1500 hrs	Oral / Poster Presentation
1515 - 1630 hrs	Oral / Poster Presentation	1500 - 1730 hrs	Hands on Workshop
1730 hrs	End of Day 2		
1900 hrs	Conference Dinner		



Programme at a glance (continued)

Day 3

28th May 2023 (Sunday)

 Time (Duration)	 Lecture Hall 1 (Adult)	 Time (Duration)	 Lecture Hall 2 (Paediatrics)
0730 hrs	Registration Counter Opens		
0800 - 0915 hrs	SPN: The Promise of Advanced Technologies in the Diagnosis of Peripheral Lung Lesions	0800 - 1030 hrs	Symposium (Airway Anomalies & Difficult Airway)
0915 - 1030 hrs	Bronchoscopic Tumor Ablation		
1030 - 1045 hrs	Tea Break & Exhibit Visit	1030 - 1045 hrs	Tea Break & Exhibit Visit
	Tea Symposium E		Tea Symposium F
1045 - 1200 hrs	Interstitial Lung Disease (ILD)	1045 - 1200 hrs	(The Future of Paediatric Bronchoscopy)
1200 - 1300 hrs	Video Festival		
1300 - 1400 hrs	Closing Ceremony / Best Paper Award		

**N.B. : This is a tentative programme and will be updated regularly by the Scientific Committee.*



Registration Fee Schedule

Early Bird (15 April 2023)

Rates

Local Delegates	Ringgit Malaysia
MABIP Members	RM 900.00
Non-MABIP Members	RM 1,200.00
Medical Officers / Master Students	RM 600.00
Allied Health Professionals	RM 500.00
Day Pass	RM 300.00
Conference Dinner Ticket (Local)	RM 250.00

International Delegates	US Dollar
MABIP/WABIP Members	USD 230.00
Non MABIP/WABIP Members	USD 300.00
Trainees / Fellows / Residents	USD 150.00
Allied Health Professionals	USD 150.00
Day Pass	USD 100.00

Post Early Bird (16 April 2023 onwards)

Rates

Local Delegates	Ringgit Malaysia
MABIP Member	RM 1,100.00
Non-MABIP Member	RM 1,500.00
Medical Officers / Master Students	RM 800.00
Allied Health Professionals	RM 600.00
Day Pass	RM 400.00

International Delegates	US Dollar
MABIP/WABIP Members	USD 230.00
WABIP Member	USD 300.00
Non WABIP Member	USD 350.00
Trainees / Fellows / Residents	USD 200.00
Allied Health Professionals / Medical Students	USD 200.00
Day Pass	USD 150.00
Conference Dinner Ticket (International)	USD 60.00



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Call for Abstracts



Abstract Submission Guidelines

Target Audience

Physicians and care providers who care for patients with disorders of the larynx, pharynx, oesophagus, and lungs. This event is designed to provide education for pulmonologists, otolaryngologists, gastroenterologists, and thoracic surgeons.

Call for abstracts (Oral presentation / e-Poster Presentation)

Delegates are encouraged to submit abstracts for oral and e-poster presentations online. (Abstracts may be selected for oral or e-Poster presentation only)

Deadline for abstract submission: 31st March 2023

All abstract submissions must be in English.

Topics/ Categories:

Delegates are invited to submit abstracts in the following sub-categories:

- Overview of bronchology and interventional pulmonology
- Education and training of bronchology and interventional pulmonology
- Artificial Intelligence (AI) applications in bronchology and interventional pulmonology
- Interventional strategies for central airway obstruction
- Interventional strategies for asthma
- Interventional strategies for COPD
- Interventional strategies for endobronchial tuberculosis
- Pleural diseases
- Transthoracic needle biopsy
- Early lung cancer treatment
- Lung cancer diagnostic technologies
- Complications of interventional pulmonary procedures
- Management of airway/oesophageal fistulas
- Airway stents
- Rare airway diseases
- Rigid bronchoscopy vs flexible bronchoscopy
- Interventional strategies in diffuse parenchymal lung disease
- Anaesthesia in interventional pulmonology
- Navigation technologies in pulmonary nodules
- Translational medicine in bronchology and interventional pulmonology
- Paediatric bronchology and interventional pulmonology

Submission Procedure

- Before submitting your abstract, you will have to register and pay as a delegate by creating a personal account via the apcb2023.com.
- Please use the account and password you have created before to submit your abstract.
- Please make sure all the submitted information is accurate before the submission deadline.
- Only the accepted abstracts of fully registered and paid delegates will be included in the final scientific program. The presenting author is expected to attend the congress and present his/her abstract.



Call for Abstracts (continued)

Length, style, and formatting

- Abstracts should have a clear hypothesis and methodology, list all author names and institutions, and designate a corresponding author.
- The body of text can be a maximum of 300 words and include 1 figure or table as an image file. Tables and figures do not count towards the total word count.
- Abstracts should be written in a structured format and include Title, Authors' names, Authors' affiliations, Background, Methods, Results and Conclusion.
- Case reports are also acceptable and should be identified as such on the submission form. Case reports should be structured as follows: Title, Authors' names, Authors' affiliations, Background, Case report and Conclusion.
- The abstract title should begin with a capital letter followed by lower case lettering.
- Abstracts should be saved in Word document format (*.doc) and should not exceed 1MB in file size.
- You must use the abstract template. Download the abstract template.

Oral Presentation

- Oral presentations are 7 minutes
- Format : PowerPoint

e-Poster Presentation

- Text, figures, and images may be included
- File format : PDF (.pdf)
- File size : Maximum 5MB
- Minimum Font Size : 10pt
- In inches/cm : 18"/45.72cm width and 32"/81.28cm height
- Format : 9:16

Notification of Acceptance

- All abstracts submitted online will be reviewed by the Scientific Committee.
- Abstracts may be selected for oral or e-Poster presentations.
- Information regarding acceptance will be sent to the abstract submitter once confirmed.
- Instructions for preparation of oral and e-Poster presentations will be sent together with the acceptance notification.
- The presenting author is required to ensure that all co-authors are aware of the contents of the abstract.
- Please note that all abstracts accepted for presentation will be published on the website prior to the congress.



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Video Festival Guidelines

The organizers of the 9th Asian Pacific Congress on Bronchology and Interventional Pulmonology (APCB) are pleased to announce that submissions are open for videos relating to “state of the art” updates and procedural techniques that enhance education and research in the fields of interventional pulmonology, laryngology, pleural diseases, tracheobronchology and esophagology.

An independent panel of judges will review all submissions (based on scientific contents, innovation, imaging) to determine the winners in the following 4 categories:

1. Practice Changing Innovation In Bronchoscopy 2023
2. Best Diagnostic Bronchoscopy 2023
3. Best Therapeutic Bronchoscopy 2023
4. Best Pleural Procedure 2023

The best videos will be announced with awards presented to the creators in the closing ceremony of the congress.

Deadline for submission: 31st March 2023

Requirements

- The submitting and presenting filmmaker must be a registered participant of APCB 2023.
- Videos must not exceed FIVE (5) minutes in running time.
- Submissions must be received by the deadline, and accompanied by:
 1. A completed submission form
 2. A written narrative manuscript (script of audio dialogue) in English if applicable
 3. A label indicating the title of the video, the video creator’s name, the presenter’s name, and contact information
 4. A list of names of co-authors or appropriate credits
- Videos marketing commercial names, company brands or containing elements that might lead to patient identification are not allowed. Such videos will be disqualified from the competition.
- There are no limits to the number of submissions allowed per participant.

Upload & Submit

- Upload your video to one of the following platform: Google Drive, Dropbox, WeTransfer or Youtube
- Before submitting your video link, you will have to register and pay as a delegate by creating a personal account via the apcb2023.com.
- Please make sure all the submitted information is accurate before the submission deadline.
- Only the accepted abstracts of fully registered and paid delegates will be included in the final scientific program. The presenting author is expected to attend the congress and present his/her abstract.
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Host Country Malaysia

Malaysia is a multicultural country with much to offer visitors—regardless of their budget or what their idea of fun might be. Kuala Lumpur, the country's capital, is a cosmopolitan city with amazing shopping and stunning architecture—within blocks, you'll find both the ultramodern Petronas Towers and several colonial palaces and buildings.

Malaysia is divided into 13 states and 3 federal territories inclusive of Peninsular Malaysia, East Malaysia, and the island of Labuan. An outstanding feature of Malaysia is the stark contrasts between its developed and natural attractions. Skyscrapers tower over wooden houses while hotels are located not far from beautiful beaches.

Just a short drive away from the capital, there are plenty of things to do—from islands, mountains, and record-breaking caves to countless temples and a unique chance to explore the fauna-rich jungle of Borneo.

For a refreshing new adventure, there is no better place than Malaysia.

**Further information on the country can also be obtained from the Malaysian government's official portal, www.malaysia.gov.my*





Visit Putrajaya

This city is home to one of the world's only pink mosques, the massive Masjid Putra – as well as impressive museums, a large shopping precinct and one of Asia's cleanest and greenest cityscapes, with 37% of its land dedicated to parks and open public spaces. Building Putrajaya from scratch also afforded generous opportunities for innovation.

The city centre is in the middle of Putrajaya Lake on a 4km-long by 2km-wide island. This lake has 38km of waterfront, a significant portion of which is embellished by gardens, jogging tracks and cycle paths. The Putrajaya Botanical Garden also features more than 700 species of tropical plants, and can be explored via tram rides, hired bicycles and guided tours.



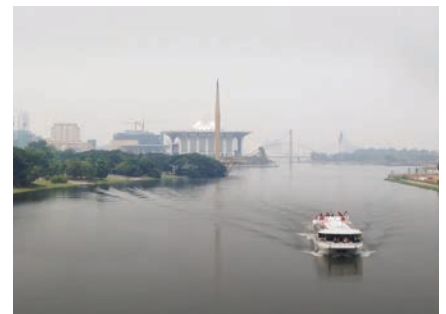
Excellent hiking trails and camping facilities are the highlight of the nearby Rimba Alam Park, which is home to a sustainable urban tropical forest ecosystem populated with plants from nearby rainforests.

Striking 360-degree views of Putrajaya are offered by the European-style pavilion in Saujana Hijau Park; while Putrajaya's Agriculture Heritage Park is dedicated to the preservation of traditional Malay agriculture and teaches visitors the basics of planting, maintaining and harvesting crops such as rubber, cocoa and oil palms.

To ensure its enviable environments aren't spoiled, Putrajaya has many eco-friendly policies. There are 10 communal gardens where residents can grow fruit and vegetables, a community honey bee facility and an intensive waste-reduction strategy.

Putrajaya Lake Cruise is a top tourist attraction, for good reason. You get the perfect opportunity to take photos of the many bridges you pass cruising down the lake. But for thrill seekers, yboating, hovering and dolphin dives at the Marina Putrajaya in Precinct 5 come highly recommended.

The Putrajaya Water Sports Complex in Precinct 6 is probably the best place for those who love the active lifestyle. This complex has been used to host local and international sports events. Alternatively, you can rent a boat and choose from different activities at the lake such as wakeboarding, water skiing and banana boating.



Putrajaya Wetlands Park is the first man-made freshwater wetland in the tropics and a sanctuary for marshland wildlife and water birds. Grab your binoculars and go birdwatching here in the Wetlands, recognised by UNESCO as an eco-hydrology demonstration site.

Skyrides Festivals Park, located on the edge of the Perdana Lake, in Precinct 2, offers the thrilling experience of hot air balloon rides.

With plenty of greens and beautiful lakes, dedicated cycle paths and fresh, clean air, Putrajaya is a haven for tourists and locals.



Capital City Kuala Lumpur

Having the privilege to have direct flights from almost every major city around the world, Kuala Lumpur is an ideal spot to begin your journey. Kuala Lumpur is a famous gathering spot for vendors and tourists.

Kuala Lumpur city is a perfect fusion of the past and the present. This is demonstrated by a mix of British colonial buildings from the late 18th century to the many modern office towers. One of SEA's up and coming rising capitals, the city has grown over the last century from a little mining colony to a global phenom.

The Malaysian metropolis has withstood Asian economic crises and has not slowed down its development. Its symbol of hope lies in the iconic PETRONAS Twin Towers.

Housing some of Southeast Asia's biggest and most famous shopping malls, Kuala Lumpur is a hotspot for tourists and locals looking to go on a shopping spree and experience the rich culture. KL is also not short of sceneries, boasting some magnificent architecture like the Sultan Abdul Samad Building. Lastly, how could we forget the lively neighbourhoods and wonderful sights. After all that is what makes Malaysia, Malaysia.

To find out more information about cuisine & dining, nightlife & entertainment, shopping and others, you can visit the official website portal at www.visitkl.gov.my





Directions

Express Rail Link

The easiest way for you to get from KLIA Airport or KLIA2 Airport to the congress venue is through the "KLIA express". Enjoy a fast and safe ride that takes 16 mins from KLIA to Putrajaya Central and 20 mins from KLIA2 to Putrajaya Central. The KLIA express costs less than MYR 10 for a one-way trip.

Additionally, KLIA express has a full schedule on their website to ensure that you never miss your flight. For more information and online booking, check out their website https://www.klia2.info/check_klia_transit_fare.php



The first KLIA Transit train from this ERL station to klia2 starts at 4:51am (GMT +8) and the last train to klia2 is 12:23am (GMT +8).



Airport Taxi

The distance from the KLIA Airport or KLIA2 Airport to the congress venue is about 39 KM. The total car ride will take about 30 – 40 mins depending on the traffic condition. You may book for airport taxi upon arrival at the airport for the fare of MYR 60 onwards.





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Travel Safety for Participants outside Malaysia

Previously, all travellers required to download the app and fill in their personal details, purpose of visit and destination stay with vaccine information before entering Malaysia.

Effective from 1st August 2022, all international travellers entering Malaysia need not fill up Traveller's Card in MySejahtera. However, upon arrival, if a traveller is detected to have a fever or unwell through a thermal scanner, they will be referred to the nearest healthcare facility for further examination and treatment.

