

# *HPB JOURNAL CLUB*

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The Hepatopancreatobiliary (HPB) Journal Club was held on 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> November 2023 at the Mandarin Oriental Hotel Kuala Lumpur. The setting of the luxurious Mandarin Oriental provided an elegant backdrop for the gathering of esteemed HPB surgeons and trainees. This time around, the journal club topic focused on “Benign and Malignant Biliary Diseases”. The sessions were meticulously organized by the Selayang Hospital HPB team in collaboration from the Malaysian Society of Hepatopancreatobiliary Surgeons (MyHPBS) and the support from various industrial partners.



Figure 1: HPB team Selayang Hospital.



Figure 2: Speech by Mr Manisekar.

The event was initiated with the welcome speech by the National Head of HPB services, Mr Manisekar K. Subramaniam and speech by President of MyHPBS, Dr Yoong Boon Koon.

The first presentation was by Mr Ong Guan Hong who discussed on the comparison of the incidence of seedling metastasis between endoscopic biliary drainage versus percutaneous transhepatic biliary drainage for resectable malignant biliary obstruction.

A total of 17 presentations were delivered by the HPB trainees which generated robust discussion amongst the consultant and trainees. This event was indeed an exceptional platform for the trainees to showcase their skills in presentation, appraisal of journal and critical thinking. The trainees also received constructive criticism from the consultants which were beneficial for their training.



Figure 3: Speech by Dr Yoong Boon Koon.



Figure 4: Presentation by Mr Ong Guang Hong.



**Figure 5: Lunch talk by Mr Takayuki Sorida.**

In addition to presentations by the trainees, there were also talks by various industrial partners introducing their latest products which were Visera Elite III by Mr Takayuki Sorida from Olympus, Selective Internal Radiation Therapy (SIRT) by Dr Yoong BK representing SIRTEX Medical and Real Time Intraoperative Ultrasound for HPB Surgery by Ms Lim Xiao Ting from BK Medical. There were also various exhibition booths on display which manage to pique the interest of the trainees and consultants.



**Figure 6: Exhibition booth.**

The attendees were provided with sumptuous meals throughout the two-day event including welcome refreshments, breakfast buffet and lunch buffet. At the end of Day 1, the attendees were treated with an exquisite dining experience at the Imperial Chakri Palace at KLCC which featured traditional Thai cuisine. The attendees also had the opportunity to indulge in some local site seeing in the heart of Kuala Lumpur.



**Figure 7: Lunch Buffet.**



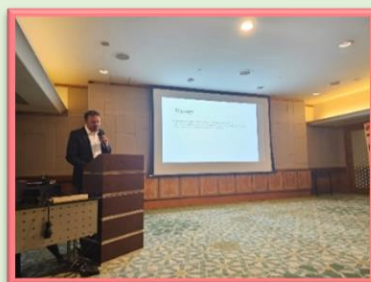
**Figure 8: Local site seeing.**



**Figure 9: Dinner at the Imperial Chakri Palace.**

The event concluded with the last presentation by Mr Balakumaran who presented on the management of hepatolithiasis. Feedback on the presentation and closing speech for the event was given by Mr Manisekar. The industrial partners were given certificate of appreciation by Ms Suryati Mokhtar, Head of HPB Selayang Hospital. All attendees and presenters were given e-certificates and awarded CPD points.

In summary, the HPB Journal Club at the Mandarin Oriental Kuala Lumpur was a remarkable gathering that not only provided a wealth of knowledge but also facilitated meaningful connections in the HPB fraternity. The combination of scholarly discussions, luxurious surroundings, and local cultural experiences made it a truly memorable and enriching event for all attendees.



**Figure 10: Presentation by Mr Balakumaran.**



**Figure 11: Group photo.**