

# **Hong Kong Epilepsy Society**

2021-2022 Report

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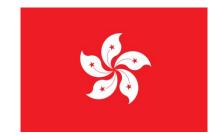
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#### **ACTIVITIES AND ACCOMPLISHMENTS**

2021 and 2022 were two remarkable years in which many of our day-to-day activities on epilepsy initiatives, advocacy, clinical work, or research had been disrupted. Notwithstanding this, Hong Kong Epilepsy Society (HKES) celebrated its 20th anniversary in 2022. We made special COVID-19 souvenir masks for our patients and guests. We had received many celebratory remarks from our colleagues and friends through videos and zooms. We had many educational and interesting webinars throughout the two years of lock-down. Moreover, we

were able to help promote epilepsy awareness through the initiative of International Epilepsy Day. We also joined hands with our Asian counterparts in meetings (including AOEC and our own annual scientific meetings). We have, and will continue to, sponsor our members in various educational activities, whether physical or on-line. We shall continue to strengthen our tides with our collaborators e.g., ILAE, ASEPA and CAAE.



International Epilepsy Day, Hong Kong, SAR, China

### **CHALLENGES FACED IN 2021 AND 2022**

The lockdown and the pressure on epileptologists was tremendous. Yet, the more hardship we endured, the wiser we became. Indeed, many epileptologists are nowadays remarkable doctors in the treatment of COVID-19 and excellent advocacies in the promotion of vaccine uptakes.

### **FUTURE PLANS FOR 2023**

With the resumption of traveling and less pandemic restrictions, we are looking forward to a new time of learning, teaching, education, meetings, research and above all, friendship from around the world.



## **RESEARCH AND PUBLISHED ARTICLES**

- Leung W, Lau E, et al Impact of COVID-19 on seizure-related emergency attendances and hospital admissions - a territory-wide observational study. *Epilepsy & Behaviour* 2021; 115: 107497
- Chan C, Choi C, et al A cross-sectional study of COVID-19 vaccination patterns among patients with epilepsy in Hong Kong, SAR, China. *Epilepsia Open* 2022; 7(4): 570-577

### **MEETINGS**

- COVID-19 and epilepsy by Dr. Richard Chang, 23 March 2021
- "Genetics in epilepsy what adult neurologists show know" by Dr. Josephine Chong, 18
  May 2021
- Women and Epilepsy by Dr. Richard Chang, 10 August 2021
- International Epilepsy Day, 14 February 2022
- Wearable seizure detection devices by Professor Sandor Beniczky, 1 March 2022
- Managing epilepsy and status epilepticus in Asian patients (Zoom webinar) by Professor Yuping Wang, 11 August 2022
- Part 1: How to choose an appropriate antiepileptic drug; Part 2: New and emerging treatment for primary generalized tonic-clonic seizures by Professor Jacqueline French, 16 August 2022
- HKES Annual Scientific Meeting on stroke and epilepsy by Professor Matthias Koepp and Professor Bonaventure Ip, 8 October 2022
- Thrombolysis-related post-stroke epilepsy by Professor Ziyi Chen, 13 November 2022
- Neurophysiology Workshop by Professor Kwan Shang Yeong and Chen Chien, 14
  November 2022



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Participation of HKES in AOEC 2022





Celebratory remarks from Prof. SY Kwan on behalf of ASEPA on the 20th anniversary of HKES



Celebratory remarks from Prof. C Chen on behalf of ASEPA on the 20th anniversary of HKES



Celebratory remarks from Prof. P Kwan on behalf of ASEPA on the 20th anniversary of HKFS

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