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# **APLAR2008 Congress**

**ASEAN Rheumatology Symposium**

**Theme:**

**Inflammatory Arthritis in ASEAN Region**

**Programme and Speakers**

# **YOKOHAMA**

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# Chairperson and Lecturers from ASEAN

## Malaysia



**Dr. Swan Sim Yeap – Chairperson (Malaysia)**

Subang Jaya Medical Centre, Selangor, Malaysia  
President, Malaysian Society of Rheumatology(MSR)

**THEME “ *Inflammatory Arthritis in ASEAN region* ”**

S46 : Sept 25 Thu.14:00 – 16:00

## Malaysia



**Dr. Heselynn HUSSEIN (Malaysia)**

HOSPITAL PUTRAJAYA PUTRAJAYA, MALAYSIA

**“Risk factors in the development of early RA in Malaysia”**

S46-1 : Sept 25 Thu.14:00 – 16:00

## Singapore



**Dr. HOWE Hwee Siew (Singapore)**

Department of Rheumatology, Allergy and Immunology, Tan Tock Seng

Hospital , Singapore

**“The genetics of Ankylosing Spondylitis in Asia”**

S46-2 : Sept 25 Thu.14:00 – 16:00

## Indonesia



**Dr. Joewono Soeroso, MD, MSc PhD (Indonesia)**

Airlangga University, Surabaya, Indonesia.

**“Management of difficult gout ”**

S46-3 : Sept 25 Thu.14:00 – 16:00

## Singapore



**Dr. Bernard THONG (Singapore)**

Department of Rheumatology, Allergy & Immunology, Tan Tock Seng Hospital, Singapore

**“Treating AS with TNF-alpha inhibitors: an ASEAN approach ”**

S46-4 : Sept 25 Thu.14:00 – 16:00

## Thailand



**Dr. Worawit LOUTHRENOO (Thailand)**

Division of Rheumatology, Department of Internal Medicine, Faculty of Medicine, Chiang Mai University, Chiang Mai, Thailand

**“Management of difficult cases of Ankylosing Spondylitis in the biologic era ”**

S46-5 : Sept 25 Thu.14:00 – 16:00

Programme:

## ASEAN Rheumatology Symposium at APLAR2008

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*Sept. 25th (Thu) 14:00-16:00 (tentative) 2008,*

*at Symposium site of the Congress venue: Pacifico Yokohama*

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Chair and moderator: Dr. Swan Sim Yeap (Malaysia)

1. Risk factors in the development of early RA in Malaysia.  
Dr Heselynn HUSSEIN (Malaysia) 20 minutes
2. The genetics of AS in Asia  
Dr HOWE Hwee Siew (Singapore) 20 minutes  
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3. Management of difficult gout  
Prof. Dr. Joewono Soeroso (Indonesia) 20 minutes
4. Treating AS with TNF-alpha inhibitors: an ASEAN approach  
Dr Bernard THONG (Singapore) 20 minutes
5. Management of difficult cases of Ankylosing Spondylitis in the biologic era  
Dr Worawit LOUTHRENOO (Thailand) 20 minutes
6. Q&A (all speakers) and Discussion 20 minutes



### The 13th Congress of Asia Pacific League of Associations for Rheumatology (APLAR2008)

**Date:** Sept. 22 - 27 2008

**Venue:** Pacifico Yokohama (Yokohama)

**President:** *Kusuki Nishioka*, M.D.

Executive Director of the St. Marianna University School of Medicine

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