



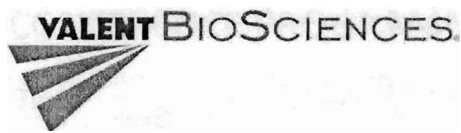
**55<sup>th</sup> Annual Scientific Conference of the  
Malaysian Society of Parasitology and  
Tropical Medicine (MSPTM)**

13 – 14 March 2019 | InterContinental Hotel Kuala Lumpur

*Conference Theme:*

**Scaling Up Efforts in Tropical Disease and Vector  
Control through Evidence-Based Research**

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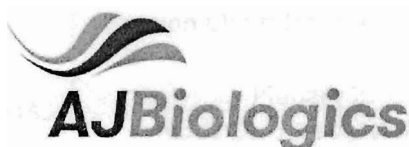


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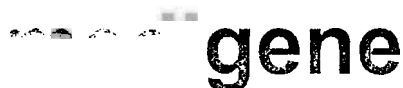
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# CONFERENCE PROGRAMME

Time	13 March 2019, Wednesday		Venue
0730 - 0830	Registration & Networking with Welcome Refreshment		Grand Ballroom II
0830 - 0905	Opening Ceremony		Grand Ballroom I
0905 - 0945	<p>Session Chair: Dr Sam Mohan Aruputham</p> <p><b>KEYNOTE 1:</b>  <b>Evidence-based Research in Perspective of Vector Prevention and Control</b>  <i>YBhg Dato Dr Chong Chee Kheong, Deputy Director-General of Health (Public Health), Ministry of Health Malaysia</i></p>		Grand Ballroom I
0945 - 1015	Morning Tea break		Grand Ballroom II
1015 - 1055	<p>Session Chair: Prof Dr Balbir Singh Mohan Singh</p> <p><b>KEYNOTE 2</b>  <b>One Health Strategies to Address the Challenges of Emerging and Reemerging Zoonosis - The Asian context</b>  <i>Prof Dr Yeoh Eng-kiong, Director, The Chinese University of Hong Kong</i></p>		Grand Ballroom I
1055 - 1115	<p>Session Chair: Prof Dr Wan Kiew Lian</p> <p><b>Plenary 1</b>  <b>Helminths in the 21st Century: Parasites or Panacea?</b>  <i>Prof Dr Yvonne Lim Ai Lian, Director of International Relations Office, University of Malaya</i></p>		Grand Ballroom I
1115 - 1305	<p><b>Breakout 1: Malaria</b></p> <p>Session Chair: Dr Cheong Fei Wen</p> <p><b>Plenary 2:</b>  <b>Antibody Seroconversion Rate: A Tool for Serological Surveillance of Malaria Transmission Intensity</b>  <i>Dr Zulkarnain Md Idris, Senior Lecturer, Faculty of Medicine, National University of Malaysia</i></p>	<p><b>Breakout 2: Vector Biology &amp; Control</b></p> <p>Session Chair: Prof Datin Dr Indra Vythilingam</p> <p><b>Plenary 3:</b>  <b>Overcoming the Dengue Challenges Using <i>Wolbachia</i> Strategy</b>  <i>Dr Nazni Wasi Ahmad, Senior Research Officer, Infectious Disease Research Centre, Ministry of Health Malaysia</i></p>	<p>B1: Grand Ballroom I</p> <p>B2: Lavender Room</p>
1305 - 1400	Networking Lunch Sponsored by Valent BioSciences LLC		Serena Brasserie (Ground Floor)
1400 - 1520	<p><b>Breakout 3: Medical &amp; Forensic Entomology</b></p> <p>Session Chair: Dr Chen Chee Dhang</p>	<p><b>Breakout 4: Veterinary Parasitology</b></p> <p>Session Chair: Dr Khadijah Saad</p>	<p>B3: Grand Ballroom I</p> <p>B4: Lavender Room</p>
1520 - 1545	Afternoon Tea Break & Networking		Grand Ballroom II
1545 - 1600	Sponsored Session by Science Valley Sdn Bhd: Next Generation Fluorescent Immunoassay FIA		Grand Ballroom I

	<i>Vinny Len, General Manager, Science Valley Sdn Bhd</i>		
1600 - 1800	<p><b>Session Chair: Dr Jeremy Ryan de Silva</b></p> <p><b>Meet the Experts</b></p> <p><b>Transition: From Student to Post Doctorate</b> <i>Prof Dr Suresh Kumar, Head of Department of Parasitology, University of Malaya</i></p> <p><b>The Wellcome Trust: History, Mission, Achievements and Forward Look</b> <i>Dr Michael Chew, Science Portfolio Adviser, Wellcome Trust, United Kingdom</i></p>	<p><b>MSPTM AGM</b></p> <p><b>Presentation of Life Membership Certificate</b></p>	<p><b>Meet the Experts: Grand Ballroom I</b></p> <p><b>AGM: Lavender Room</b></p>
1830 - 2130	<b>Networking Dinner</b>		<p><b>Trace Restaurant &amp; Bar, Element Hotel KL</b></p>

Time	14 March 2019, Thursday	Venue
0730 - 0830	<b>Registration &amp; Networking with Welcome Refreshment</b>	<b>Grand Ballroom II</b>
0830 - 0910	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Session Chair: Assoc Prof Dr Siti Nursheena Mohd Zain</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>KEYNOTE 1</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Current Challenges in Controlling Zoonotic Diseases - New Knowledge and Paradigms</b> <i>YBhg Dato Dr Quaza Nizamuddin Hassan Nizam, Director-General, Veterinary Services Malaysia</i></p>	<b>Grand Ballroom I</b>
0910 - 0950	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Session Chair: Dr Chandrawathani Panchadcharam</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>KEYNOTE 2</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Rodent-borne Diseases in the Anthropocene: A Planetary Health Perspective</b> <i>Dr Serge Morand, Research Director of CNRS, CIRAD, Kasetsart University, Thailand</i></p>	<b>Grand Ballroom I</b>
0950 - 1010	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Session Chair: Dr Vickneshwaran Muthu</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Plenary 1</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Rabies in Sarawak, Challenges and the Way Forward</b> <i>Dr Sarah Tay Lee Huay, Veterinary Officer, Department of Veterinary Services Sarawak, Malaysia</i></p>	<b>Grand Ballroom I</b>
1010 - 1030	<b>Morning Tea breal</b>	<b>Grand Ballroom II</b>
1030 - 1050	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Session Chair: Prof Dr Stephen Ambu</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Plenary 2</b></p>	<b>Grand Ballroom I</b>

	<b>Updates on Vector Borne Diseases and Programs in Malaysia</b> <i>Dr Rose Nani Mudin, Head Of Vector Borne Disease Sector, Disease Control Division, Ministry of Health Malaysia</i>		
1050 -	<b>Breakout 1: Medical Microbiology &amp; Parasitology</b>  <b>Session Chair: Assoc Prof Dr Lau Yee Ling</b>	<b>Breakout 2: Tropical Infectious Diseases</b>  <b>Session Chair: Dr Heo Chong Chin</b>	<b>B1: Grand Ballroom I</b>  <b>B2: Lavender Room</b>
1240 - 1400	<b>Networking Lunch Sponsored by Valent BioSciences LLC</b>		<b>Serena Brasserie (Ground Floor)</b>
1400 - 1520	<b>Breakout 3: Student E-Poster Competition</b>  <b>Session Chair: Dr Lucas Low Van Lun</b> <b>Judges:</b> <b>Dr Michael Chew</b> <b>Dr Serge Morand</b> <b>Prof Dr Balbir Singh Mohan Singh</b>	<b>Breakout 4: Regular E-Poster Presentation</b>  <b>Session Chair: Dr Stanley Tan Tiong Kai</b>	<b>B3: Grand Ballroom I</b>  <b>B4: Lavender Room</b>
1520 - 1550	<b>Evening Tea Break</b>		<b>Grand Ballroom II</b>
1550 - 1620	<b>Breakout 5: Emerging Zoonoses</b>  <b>Session Chair: Dr Nur Mahiza Md Isa</b>	<b>Breakout 6: General Topics</b>  <b>Session Chair: Dr Ramlan Bin Mohamed</b>	<b>B5: Grand Ballroom I</b>  <b>B6: Lavender Room</b>
1620 - 1640	<b>Closing Ceremony &amp; Prize Presentation</b>		<b>Grand Ballroom I</b>