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We are pleased to present the "Solidarity Bridge between Singapore and Latin America", a series of 4 webinars every alternate Friday between 8:00am - 9:00am Singapore time to support the Latin American countries in their efforts to deal with the COVID-19 pandemic. This is a multi-lateral collaboration to discuss the challenges that this global healthcare crisis is bringing to the Latin American countries, facilitate experience sharing between the medical professionals, and provide support to the top hospitals and top medical schools in Latin America.

- Session 1: 30 Oct 2020 SGT **Community Response**
- Session 2: 13 Nov 2020 SGT **Patient Management**
- **Session 3: 27 Nov 2020 SGT National/International Co-ordination**
- Session 4: 11 Dec 2020 SGT **Vaccines/Therapies**

The webinar timings for Session 2 are at:

- Buenos Aires, Argentina: Thurs, 12 Nov, 21:00 22:00
- São Paulo, Brazil: Thurs, 12 Nov, 21:00 22:00
- Santiago, Chile: Thurs, 12 Nov, 21:00 22:00
- Bogota, Colombia: Thurs, 12 Nov, 19:00 20:00
- San Jose, Costa Rica: Thurs, 12 Nov, 18:00 19:00
- Mexico City, Mexico: Thurs, 12 Nov, 18:00 19:00
- Panama City, Panama: Thurs, 12 Nov, 19:00 20:00
- Lima, Peru: Thurs, 12 Nov, 19:00 20:00
- Singapore: Fri, 13 Nov, 08:00 09:00

Session 2: Patient Management

Guest-of-Honour

Speaker

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H.E. Luis Alberto Melo Moran Panama

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SESSION 2: Pathophysiology and Clinical Management of COVID-19

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Covid-19 has a wide spectrum of disease manifestations. This talk will highlight the pathophysiology of the most common manifestations of COVID on various organ systems of the body. The latest evidence based clinical guidelines for the management of patients infected with COVID-19 will also be presented.

Guest-of Honour

Mr Luis Alberto Melo Moran is Ambassador of Panama in Singapore since February 2020. Mr Melo was Partner and Director of Business Development at Consensus Consultores (Consulting firm specialized in strategic acquisitions, energy and telecommunications) with wide experience in management of regional projects. Prior to Consensus Consultores, Mr Melo served as Ambassador and Chief of the Office to the President of Panama, Martin Torrijos.

Mr Melo graduated from the University of Science and Technology in Panama with a Bachelor of Business Administration and has a Master degree in Government.

Speaker

Dr Jyoti Somani is a Senior Consultant with the National University Hospital (NUH) Singapore, Division of Infectious Diseases and is the Clinical director of the Antibiotic Stewardship Programme (ASP) in NUH. As of July 2020, she is the Director of the Hospital Epidemiology Unit and the Deputy Chair of Infection Prevention.

She graduated from the University of Cincinnati Medical School in the United States in 1991, and completed her Internal Medicine Residency from the University of Chicago Hospitals in 1994, and her 3 year Infectious Disease Fellowship in 1998 from Emory University. She was an Assistant Professor at Emory University Division of infectious Diseases from 2000-2008, and has also been in Private Practice in the U.S. 2008-2012. She has also worked internationally in Chennai, India and Jakarta, Indonesia. She came to Singapore in Nov 2014 and was at Khoo Teck Puat Hospital, before joining the Division of Infectious Diseases in NUH in Dec 2018.

Co-Chairs

SINGAPORE - A/Prof Swaine Chen is an Associate Professor of Medicine at the National University of Singapore, a Group Leader at the Genome Institute of Singapore, and an Editor of the journal Microbial Genomics. He specialises in the bacterial genetics and manipulation of wild type clinical isolates and has expertise in the application of genomics for investigation of outbreaks of bacterial disease.

He received an A.B. in Chemistry and Mathematics from Harvard University and an M.D./Ph.D. in Developmental Biology from Stanford University. After a postdoc at Washington University in St. Louis in molecular microbiology, he received the Singapore National Research Foundation Fellowship in 2010 and started his lab at NUS.

PANAMA - Dr Ana Belén Araúz is an Infectious Diseases specialist who works in the Hospital Santo Tomas, a third level public Hospital in Panama, as Deputy Medical Director. She completed her internal medicine in Hospital Santo Tomás and infectious diseases training at Universidad de Guadalajara. She has a Master in Science degree from London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine and a Gorgas Diploma course in tropical medicine from University of Alabama.

She is Professor of Internal Medicine in Universidad de Panama, with research interests related to surveillance of mycotic infections in HIV and Candida auris infections in Panama. She is the President of the Panamanian Infectious Diseases Society.

PERU – Dr Juan Carlos Samamé Pérez-Vargas is a Medical Oncologist at the Clínica San Felipe of the ALIADA Cancer Center – Breast & Gi Units, Hospital Nacional Arzobispo Loayza in Lima, Perú. With experience in the field of care, research and teaching. With a Master in Clinical Research and international internships.