

MALAYSIAN ONCOLOGICAL SOCIETY

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WELCOME TO MOS 2ND EDITION E-NEWSLETTER

PRESIDENT'S Message

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"Everybody has a plan until they get punched in the mouth." ~ Mike Tyson ~

The world can certainly change in a matter of months. Due to the Covid19 pandemic, many people have been affected with a rising number of cases and deaths worldwide. Whole industries have had to significantly curtail their activities and many businesses and their employees face an uncertain future. This year is the first time that we had a virtual ASCO and ESMO Europe is also planning to hold a virtual conference. MOS too has had to change our plans as we had to cancel the Cancer Survivor and Carer's Conference which was supposed to be held in March 2020. In addition, MOS has decided to postpone the 32nd Annual Scientific Congress of the Malaysian Oncological Society from October 2020 to the 29th to 31st January 2021.

Fortunately, we are still proceeding with the revamp of the MOS website and.....continues

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this will be 'live' in time for ASCOMOS. Further details regarding our plans for our new website are explained in the section below.

The very first book on the history and development of the oncology specialty in Malaysia is now completed and will be going to the printers soon. We expect copies will be available by the end of this year and in time for ASCOMOS in January 2021.

MOS is still offering to sponsor the registration and first years' membership fee to join the Academy of Medicine Malaysia to all oncologists who are lifetime members of our society. I encourage you to take this opportunity to do so. Please email us at malaysianoncologicalsociety@gmail.com for further details.

Lastly, MOS would like to congratulate Dr. Muthu on getting married earlier this year and we all wish him and his wife a happy marriage. We would also like to congratulate Dr Rachael Khong and Dr Nick Chong on the recent arrival of their baby boy. We wish them much joy as a family.

I hope that you and your families remain healthy and safe during this time. ~

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ASCOMOS 2021 **UPDATE**



Initial Conference Dates :
2nd - 4th October 2020

Postponed Conference Dates :
29th - 31st Jan 2021

**Venue: Hilton & Le Meridien
Kuala Lumpur**

Scientific Chairperson :
Prof Dato' Dr. Fuad Ismail

The 32nd Annual Scientific Congress of Malaysian Oncological Society 2020 (ASCOMOS) event has been postponed to the 29th till 31st January 2021 due to the Covid19 pandemic.

Further details regarding the scientific program, registration and abstract submission are available at the conference website

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MOS NEW WEBSITE LAUNCH **UPDATE**

**" WATCH
OUT
FOR
THESE
DATES !! "**

**29th - 31st
January 2021**

" The LAUNCH of MOS NEW WEBSITE"

read on for more information.....

We are thrilled to announce that MOS will be launching its new website during the 32nd ASCOMOS.

The new website carries some new features to benefit all MOS members. Some of these include online membership application and a new online payment platform for all engagements with MOS.

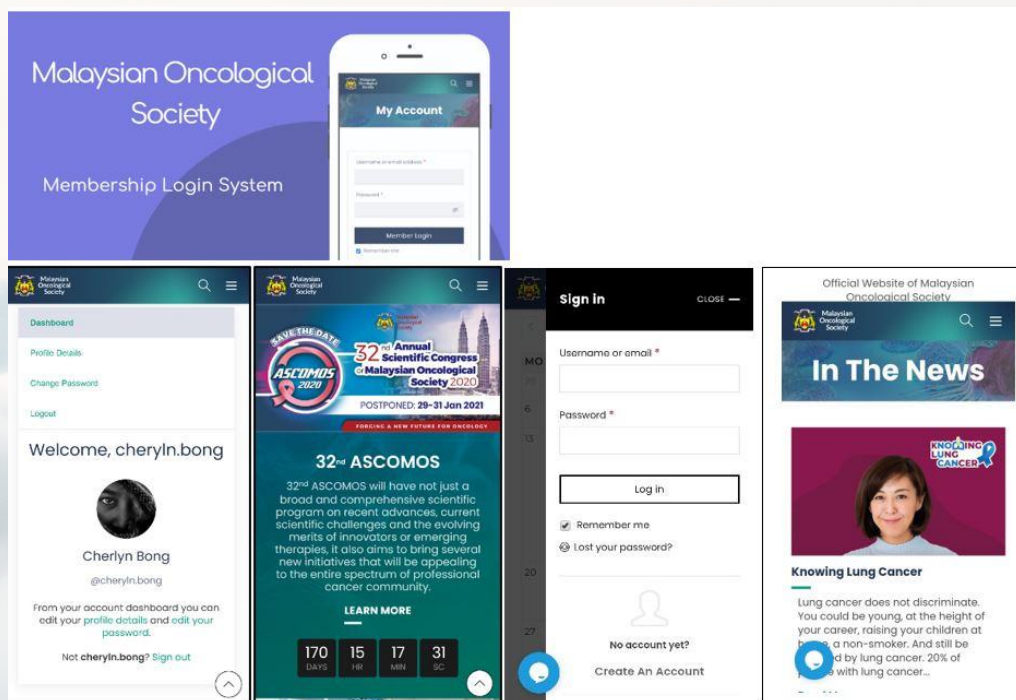
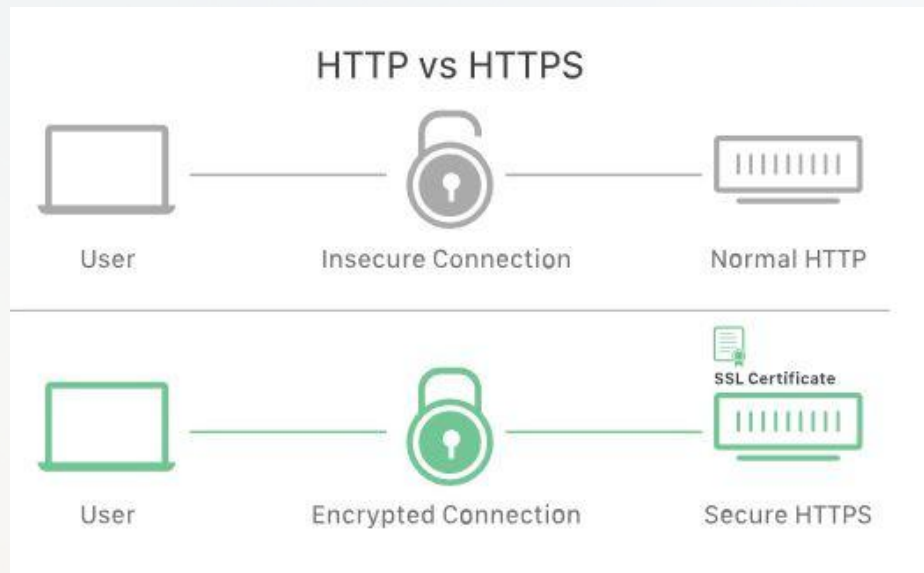
The new website also allows members to apply online and receive updates for the various MOS grants for training and education. Additionally, MOS will also be launching its very own mobile application to communicate with its members more easily. There will also be more resources for the general public to raise cancer awareness and also material that our members can use in educating their patients regarding their treatment. MOS plans to upload all presenter slides from ASCOMOS and any MOS endorsed meetings to the members section of the new website so that our members can view the slide presentations that they were not able to attend.

We are also active on social media such as Facebook and Instagram. Please 'like' and 'follow' our official page/account, Malaysian Oncological Society for more updates on the society.

Our new website manager has kindly given us some screenshots of the new website which we are happy to show you below.

1. Protected with Secure Sockets Layer (SSL)

Secure Sockets Layer (SSL) is a technology that creates a secure connection between a website and a browser. Websites that are equipped with SSL have 'certificates' that let the user know that their private information is safe during each transfer. This is essential to keep the member's data safe and for any transaction that involves online payment and even for membership online application.



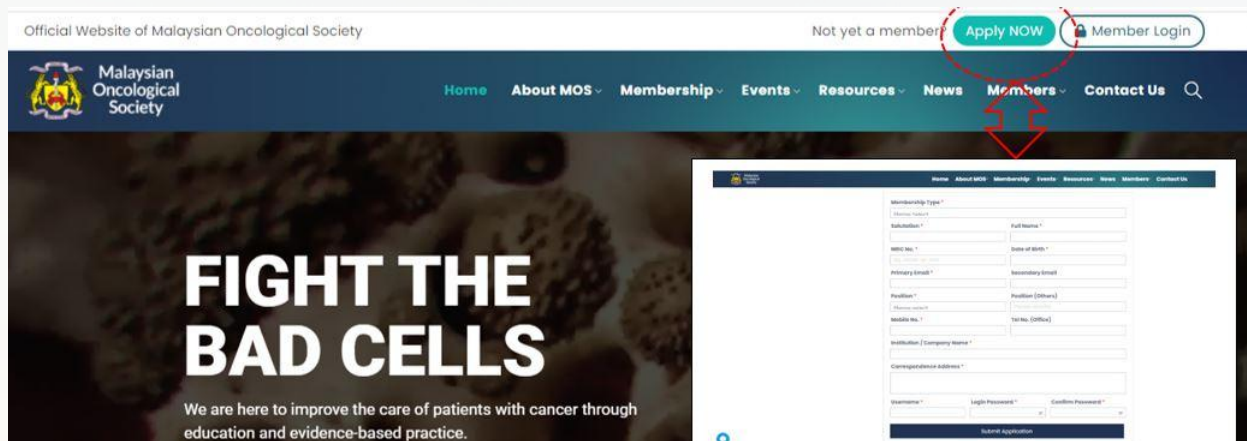
2. Mobile Application for Public & Member Access

Mobile Application created for greater access to the MOS website generally by mobile hardware. Also serves as a portal platform for MEMBERS to access their membership accounts via mobile hardware. **MOS Mobile App be available on both APPLE AppStore/ Android Playstore in OCTOBER 2020!**



5. Facebook & Instagram Feed

To share social media information seamlessly by feeding the website with Facebook and Instagram posts through hyperlink.



6. Membership Online Application

Apply instantly for membership via MOS's online electronic application form. Be able to make online payment for membership fee & dues instantly.

Lastly, MOS would like to extend our appreciation and gratitude to our previous web development company, Mobition Sdn. Bhd, for maintaining our website.

Important reminder:

All members will be notified via email to update their particulars prior to the launch. If you do not receive any notification alert by 31st October, please send an email to malaysianoncologicalsociety@gmail.com.

This is to ensure a seamless user experience. ~

1. MOS - COVID-19 DONATION TO KKM

March 2020 - Malaysian Oncological Society (MOS) has donated a sum of RM 50,000 to the Kementerian Kesihatan Malaysia (KKM) to assist in dealing with the Covid-19 pandemic.

2. MOS COLLABORATION WITH LCNM FOR THE 'KNOWING LUNG CANCER' CAMPAIGN'

MOS is collaborating with Lung Cancer Network Malaysia, National Cancer Society Malaysia (NCSM), Roche Malaysia and AstraZeneca Malaysia for the #knowinglungcancer campaign from August to November 2020. The aim is to promote a greater awareness of lung cancer, its signs and symptoms and treatment among the general public.

For more information, kindly visit the MOS official Facebook/Instagram Page.

3. SRI KOTA MEDICAL CANCER CENTRE UPGRADED WITH A NEW RADIOTHERAPY CENTRE

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4. KPJ AMPANG PUTERI SPECIALIST NEW CANCER CENTRE

KPJ Ampang Puteri Specialist Hospital's new cancer centre was officially launched on 24th February 2020. They have installed an Elekta Versa HD linear accelerator. Their resident oncologist is Dr Azura Daniel.

For more information, kindly visit their official website

<https://www.kpjhealth.com.my/ampang/home>.

5. RAWATAN KANSER | **KLINIK ONKOLOGI MAYA**

This is an online Bahasa Malaysia blog on cancer. All articles are written and edited by oncologists and relevant medical or surgical specialists. Its purpose is to share information on cancer in a concise and easy approach in Bahasa Malaysia for patients and their families.

For more information, kindly visit their official Facebook page - Klinik Onkologi Maya @ <https://www.klinikonkologimaya.com/>.

6. **NEW REGIONAL COUNSEL (MALAYSIA), AMERICAN SOCIETY OF CLINICAL ONCOLOGY**

Assoc Prof Wan Zamaniah from Universiti Malaya Medical Centre was recently appointed by the American Society of Clinical Oncology (ASCO) as their regional counsel for Malaysia. The MOS committee wishes to congratulate her on her new role.

7. **CALLING OUT ALL MOS MEMBERS TO SHARE INFORMATION ON UPCOMING EVENT/ACTIVITIES in 2021**

If there is an upcoming event or activity planned in year 2021 that you would like to disseminate to all members, please email us at malaysianoncologicalsociety@gmail.com.

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