

# **International Asian Symposium and Workshop on Occupational Cancer**

**Bangkok, Thailand. December 11-13, 2008**

## **Organizers**

National Cancer Institute, Ministry of Public health

Bureau of Occupational and Environmental Disease, Ministry of Public Health

Faculty of Medicine, Srinakharinwirot University

Thai Society of Toxicology

International Agency for Research on Cancer, WHO

## **Sponsor**

World Health Organization (Regional Office for South-East Asia)

Thai Occupational and Environmental Cancer Working Group

**Background:** Occupational exposure to carcinogens is an important and preventable cause of cancer. A carcinogen can be defined as a substance that causes cancer under certain circumstances. About one fourth of the substances labels as human carcinogens by International Agency for Research on Cancer (IARC) were discovered in the occupational arena. The occupational cause some 2% of all cancer deaths in high-income countries, and an unknown proportion of cancers in low-and medium resource countries. In recent years, occupational cancer is becoming an increasingly important issue in developing countries. They are currently undergoing an industrialization process, which is exposing large population of workers to substances of unknown health hazard. In order to point out the significance of communication on cancer prevention from carcinogens in workplace, we propose to conduct the first meeting on occupational cancer in Thailand and also the workshop on occupational exposure assessment.

## **Workshop objectives**

1. To strengthen knowledge utilization for preventing occupational cancer
2. To give the occupational and industrial hygiene experts the exposure assessment specific methodology of occupational carcinogens that cause cancer
3. To organize international network of occupational cancer in Thailand and Asia

**Venue:** Rajavithi Hospital  
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## **The tentative scientific program of the symposium and workshop**

### Tentative Occupational Cancer Symposium Program

December 11, 2008

9.0-12.00     **Morning session**

9.00-10.00    Future perspectives in occupational cancer research

10.00-11.00   Use of biomarkers in occupational epidemiology

11.00-12.00   Occupational cancer in developing countries

12.00-13.00   Lunch

13.00-16.00   **Afternoon session**

Country presentation and free paper

### Number of participants

This meeting is open to cancer research staff, health workers, health-related professionals, however, we limit the number at 100 participants from Thailand and other countries of the region

### Tentative Occupational Exposure Assessment Workshop Program

December 12, 2008

9.00-12.00    Introduction

Overview of occupational epidemiology

Retrospective assessment of occupational exposures (1)

12.00-13.00   Lunch

13.00-16.0    Retrospective assessment of occupational exposures (2)

Cohort studies

December 13, 2008

9.00-12.00 Case-control studies  
Studies based on routine data  
Use of Biomarkers

12.00-13.00 Lunch

13.00-16.00 Group work: Exposure assessment in occupational cancer

#### Number of participants

The workshop are aimed at research and public health professionals whose activities are relevant to the topic. They require appreciate background and experience. The workshop will limit the number of participants at 35 persons. This will be 15 representative from Thailand and 20 representatives from different countries in Asia.

#### **Confirmed guest speakers**

1. Dr. Paolo Boffetta, Gene-Environment Epidemiology Group, International Agency for Research on Cancer
2. Dr. Nathaniel Rothman, Division of Cancer Epidemiology and Genetics, National Cancer Institute, Bethesda, USA
3. Dr. Quing Lan, Division of Cancer Epidemiology and Genetics, National Cancer Institute, Bethesda, USA
4. Dr. Roel Vermeulen, Institute for Risk Assessment Science, Utrecht University, Netherlands

#### **Registration Fee**

This workshop is funded by World Health Organization and Thai Occupational and Environmental Cancer Working Group to National Cancer Institute, Thailand. There is no registration fee for the meeting or workshop. The participant will be expected to find their own financial support for travel and accommodation. Handouts, lunch and tea break will be covered by organizer.

#### **Accommodation**

Accommodation has been reserved at Tropmed International House, Mahidol University. As we have only reserved a limited number of rooms, please book your accommodation as soon as possible, but by October 15, 2008.

#### Room rate

Single room 24 US\$

Double room 30 US\$

5 minutes by walk from the house to meeting venue, for more information please visit [www.tm.mahidol.ac.th](http://www.tm.mahidol.ac.th)

There are several luxury hotels around the meeting venue but you are responsible for making your own reservation.

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Century Park Hotel, [www.centuryparkhotel.com](http://www.centuryparkhotel.com)

Pullman King Power Hotel, [www.pullmanbangkokkingpower.com](http://www.pullmanbangkokkingpower.com)

**Abstract for free paper**

The abstract should be typed in English, single-spaced in Time New Roman font 12. Limit abstract text to 1 page of A4 including title, author's name and affiliations.

**Important information**

Deadline of abstract submission: August 31, 2008

Deadline of registration: October 31, 2008

## Registration Form

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I wish to attend a  Symposium (December 11, 2008)  
 Workshop (December 12-13, 2008)

If you would like to attend the workshop, please enclose the following with your registration

- Curriculum vitae
- List of publications
- Describe a brief reason why the workshop should be helpful to the present stage of career and for the type of work that will be helpful in the future

Please return this form to:

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