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IN-PERSON CONFERENCE
18-20 JUNE 2026
CHIBA, JAPAN

**11TH ASIA-PACIFIC AIDS
& CO-INFECTIONS
CONFERENCE**



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Time DAY 1:

90 min. **Plenary Session 1 - Opening**

1:30 PM **Welcome to the Meeting**

Junko Tanuma & Rayner Tan
APACC Chairs
Toshibumi Taniguchi
Local Scientific Chair
Kota Iwashashi
Local Community Chair

Opening Words

Dr. Mitsuo Kaku,
Tokyo Metropolitan Center for
Infectious Disease Control and
Prevention (Tokyo iCDC) / Tohoku
University, Japan
Dr. Tetsuro Matano,
Chair of JSAR

Doing More with Less: Rethinking Global HIV Response in a Time of Transition

Chairs: **Rayner Tan and Junko Tanuma**

1:45 PM **Future of HIV Response in Asia and the Pacific**
2:05 PM **Protecting Impact and Sustainability in the Next Global Fund Grant Cycle**
2:25 PM **Doing more with less - strengthening integrated services**

Eamonn Murphy
Lady Roslyn Morauta
Nittaya Phanuphak

2:45 PM **Q&A and Discussion**

Rayner Tan

3:00 PM **Coffee Break/exhibition/ Poster viewing**

Plenary Session 2: ARV Delivery Modalities: Innovations and Real World Evidence

Chairs: **Nittaya Phanuphak and Nagalingeswaran Kumarasamy**

3:45 PM **What's New in HIV Treatment - Novel Formulations & Delivery Modalities**
4:05 PM **Community perspective of the use of LA-ARVs**

Iskandar Azwa
Rena Janamnuaysook

4:25 PM **#1 Outcomes of Rapid Antiretroviral Therapy Initiation in the Time of 'Treat All' in Asia**

Johanna Beulah T. Sornillo

4:35 PM **#2 Delayed ART initiation, education, employment, and viral hepatitis predict disengagement and re-engagement in HIV care: A cohort study from four community-led clinics in the Philippines**

Rodenie Amaiz Olete

4:45 PM **Discussion**

5:00 PM **Industry supported symposium - reserved for VIIV Health Care**

6:00 PM **Welcome reception/ Poster viewing/ Exhibition**

DAY 2: Friday

8:00 AM **Capacity-Building Session 1**

Strategic Networking for Regional Collaboration: Building Research Alliances Across the Asia-Pacific

RX Ng

Capacity-Building Session 2

Ask the Crowd: Practical Crowdsourcing Methods for HIV Implementation Science

Shanti Narayanasamy

Parallel Session 1: Hepatitis - Care Strategies

Chairs: **Owen Tsang and Chen Seong Wong**

9:00 AM **Microelimination of HCV infection among people with HIV in Taiwan: the last mile**

Chien-Ching Hung

Parallel Session 2: HIV Cure Strategy

Chairs: **Jun Yong Choi and Gail Matthews**

The Use of bNAbs to Control HIV Infection in People Living with HIV

Shuzo Matsushita

Perspectives on Analytical Treatment Interruptions and Prospects of an HIV cure amongst People Living with HIV and Healthcare Providers in Singapore

Chiaw Yee Choy

9:15 AM **#3 Identifying gaps in the hepatitis C care cascade and barriers to treatment initiation among hospital visitors in Guangdong Province, China from 2023 to 2025**

Jiehu Yuan

9:25 AM **#4 Integrating HIV, Syphilis, and Hepatitis C Services into Primary Care: Lessons from a Community-Based Extension for Sustainable Scale-Up in Thailand, 2024-2025**

Aumanad Aunanan

#7 Safety and Viral Dynamics During Temporary Treatment Interruption (TTI) in the RV630 HIV Cure Trial

Donn Colby

9:35 AM **#5 Implementing Community-Based Hepatitis C Screening for Key Populations in the Absence of Established Service Infrastructure: A Demonstration Study from Singapore**

Eshete Libau

#8 Tenascin-C is associated with incomplete immune reconstitution and impaired CD4⁺T-cell recovery in ART-treated people living with HIV

Zhuoya Deng

9:45 AM **#6 High Baseline HBV DNA Before ART Is Associated with Immunological Non-Response in HIV/HBV-Coinfected Patients: A Long-Term Cohort Study**

Jianfei Huang

#9 SLC26A3-Mediated Mitochondrial Chloride Overload Drives T Cell Apoptosis in Immunological Non-Responders

Hanying Wang

9:55 AM **Discussion**

Discussion

10:15 AM **Coffee Break/exhibition/ Poster viewing**

Parallel Session 3: Integration of Mental Health

Chairs: **Jeremy Ross and Pui Li Wong**

10:45 AM **Integration of Mental Health in HIV Care**

Iris Chan

Parallel Session 4: HIV - TB in Advanced HIV Disease

Chairs: **Anchalee Avhingsanon and Thana Khawcharoenporn**

State of the Art in Treatment of HIV-Associated Tuberculosis

Maria Tarcela Gler

11:00 AM **#10 Utilising digital tools to optimise Mental Health Care Workflows for People Living With HIV in Resource-Limited Settings**

Chong Meng Li

#14 Deciphering the Anti-Tubercular Potential of Black Hatdi Phenolics: Network Pharmacology-Driven Insights into Multi-Target Activity Against Drug-Resistant Mycobacterium tuberculosis

Manvendra Singh

11:10 AM **#11 Acceptability and Downstream Management Gaps in Integrated Screening for Cognition, Mental Health, Cancer, and Geriatric Syndromes among People with HIV in Thailand, October 2024 - September 2025**

Akarin Hiransuthikul

#15 Incidence, Risk Factors, and Outcomes of Anti-Tuberculosis Drug-Induced Hepatotoxicity in People with and without HIV in Thailand and the Philippines

Ryan Christopher G. Atuel

11:20 AM	#12 Additive Interaction of Early-life SOGI Stigma and Adult HIV Infection Across the Suicide Continuum in a Chinese LGBTQ+ Cohort	Jialing Mu	#16 The burden of tuberculosis in people with HIV in South Korea: a nationwide population-based cohort study	Jung Ho Kim
11:30 AM	#13 Criminalization, Mental Health Issues, and Chem-Sex as Major Drivers of HIV and Co-infections among the Sexual and Gender Minorities in Pakistan	Muhammad Asad Hashmi	#17 Comprehensive Digital Adherence and Remote Engagement to Optimise Treatment Adherence for Tuberculosis Patients (Care-Tb Study) in Malaysia: A Pilot Randomized Study	Koh Hui Moon
11:40 AM	Discussion		Discussion	
Guided Poster Tour (parallel)			Capacity-Building Session 4: Community / Patient Society	
12:00 PM	Optimizing Prevention Pathways: From Testing to PrEP and Doxy-PEP	Ye Zhang	The role of community amidst donor transitions	Kota Iwahashi
	HIV Kaizen in the Neon City: Care, Risk, and Innovation	RX Ng		
	Beyond Viral Suppression: Innovations in HIV Care Across the Asia-Pacific	Shanti Narayanasamy		
1:00 PM Lunch Break				
Parallel Session 5: Sexual Health Beyond Reproductive Years			Parallel Session 6: Community-Led Monitoring	
Chairs: Reena Rajasuriar and Keerti Gedela			Chairs: Kota Iwahashi and Rodenie Olete	
2:00 PM	Sexual Wellness in Older Women in China	Huachun Zou	Community Led Monitoring practice in Mongolia	Miiga Dorjgotov
2:15 PM	#18 Nationwide Surveillance Study on HIV Mother-to-Child Transmission in Japan: Current Results	Reiko Minato		
2:25 PM	#19 Meeting Transgender-Specific Needs: Service Acceptance and Identified Needs among Thai Transgender Women Engaging in Substance Use or Chemsex (IT-REX Study)	Akarin Hiransuthikul	#22 From Evidence to Action: How Community-Led Monitoring Is Enhancing HIV Services and Accountability in Cambodia	Polin Ung
2:35 PM	#20 Reaching Underserved Women: Integrating HIV Self-Testing, Contraceptive Care, Mental Health Screening, and Violence Screening Through Telehealth, Home-Based Abortion Service in Bangkok	Jakkrapatara Boonruang	#23 Community-led delivery of differentiated HIV, chemsex, and harm reduction services across eight grantees in Southeast Asia: routine monitoring data from a multi-country program	Pham Phuong Mai
2:45 PM	#21 Beyond the Aggregates: Unmasking Age-Specific Nuances in HIV and STI Risks Among Female Sex Workers in China.	Giftly Marley	#24 Over 13,000 PLHIV voices: Community-led monitoring driving HIV care and treatment improvement in Thailand, 2024 – 2025	Farida Langkafah
2:55 PM	Discussion		Discussion	
3:15 PM Coffee Break/exhibition				
Plenary Session 3: Digital Health Tools, AI, and Technology in Research/Care				
Chairs: Junko Tanuma and Weiming Tang				
3:45 PM	How AI Can Change HIV/STI Services			Jason Ong
4:05 PM	How Digital Tools for Screening Mental Health Can Serve Task Shifting			Jeremy Ross
4:25 PM	#25 Reaching High-Risk Populations with Online HIV Self-Testing: Results from the Stand by You Platform, Thailand, 2022 – 2025			Usanee Kritsanavarin
4:35 PM	#26 Breaking barriers: A digital health-based, MSM-friendly "HIV-Doxy-PEP" one-stop integrated model in Guangzhou, China			Yuzhou Gu
4:45 PM	Discussion			
5:00 PM Industry-Supported Symposium II - reserved for Merck/MSD				
DAY 3: Saturday				
Capacity-Building Session 3				
8:00 AM	Measuring That Matters: A Practical Workshop on Health Preference Research			Ye Zhang
Plenary Session 4: HIV / STI Prevention				
Chairs: Toshibumi Taniguchi and Benjamin Bavinton				
9:00 AM	The Role of DoxyPEP in the Prevention of STI in the Asian Pacific Region			Eric Chow
9:20 AM	Sexual Health and HIV Prevention Strategies in Older Adults			Grace Lui
9:40 AM	#27 Positivity of Test-of-Cure for Gonorrhea Infections an HIV Pre-exposure Prophylaxis Program in Hanoi, Vietnam			Quang Loc Pham
9:50 AM	#28 Implementing Partner Notification for Gonorrhea and Chlamydia Control in Urban China: A CFIR-Guided Implementation Assessment from Shenzhen, China			Lan Li
10:00 AM	Discussion			
10:15 AM Coffee Break/exhibition				
Plenary Session 5: Metabolic Health - Insights for Holistic Care in People Living with HIV				
Chairs: Grace Lui & Win Min Han				
10:45 AM	Obesity in People Living with HIV: Intersections and the Amplification of Chronic Disease Burdens			Lim Quan Hziung
11:05 AM	Lifestyle Modifications on Obesity and Associated Metabolic Problems			Alice Kong
11:25 AM	#29 Impact of Baseline Impaired Fasting Glucose on Diabetes Progression in People Living with HIV			Hay Mar Su Lwin
11:35 AM	#30 Identifying potential gaps in MASLD diagnosis and management among people living with HIV in a tertiary hospital in Singapore			Mabel Yip
11:45 AM	Discussion			
EXPERT PANEL: DTG-Based ART: Evolving Questions Around 2- vs. 3-Drug Regimens				
12:00 PM	Moderator: Annette Sohn			
	Expert Perspective on 2DR regimens			Junko Tanuma
	Expert Perspective on 3DR regimens			Nick Patton
	Discussion			Toshibumi Taniguchi & Anchalee Avihingsanon
1:00 PM Closure of the Meeting				