

UNIVERSITI MALAYA – UNIVERSITY OF GLASGOW

4th TROPICAL MEDICINE WORKSHOP 2026

“Tropical Medicine Beyond Borders: From Local Realities to Global Solutions”

31 January 2026 (Saturday)

Jemerlang Hall, Faculty of Medicine

Time	Topic
8:00 - 8:30 am	Registration
8:30 - 8:40 am	Opening Remarks by representative from Department of Medicine & University of Glasgow DTMH Programme Opening Remarks: 1) Prof. Dr. Gan Gin Gin <i>(Head of Department, Department of Medicine, Faculty of Medicine, Universiti Malaya)</i> 2) Dr. Christina Naula <i>(Course Director of Diploma of Tropical Medicine and Hygiene & MSc in One Health and Infectious Disease, University of Glasgow)</i>
	THEME 1: Global Health Challenges
8.40 – 9.05 am	One Health: Connecting Human, Animal & Environmental Health Dr. Christina Naula <i>(Course Director of Diploma of Tropical Medicine and Hygiene & MSc in One Health and Infectious Disease, University of Glasgow)</i>
9.05 – 9.30 am	The First Thousand Days: Nutrition, Breastfeeding, and Micronutrient Challenges in the Tropics Professor Emeritus Datin Dr. Lucy Lum Chai See

	<i>(Consultant Paediatrician & Paediatric Intensivist, Adjunct Professor, Universiti Malaya)</i>
9.30 – 9.55 am	Breaking Barriers in Neglected Tropical Diseases: Access, Diagnostics & Innovation Mr Jean-Michel Piedagnel <i>(Director for South-South Diagnostic Alliance)</i>
9.55 – 10.20 am	Outbreak Management Strategies: From Detection to Action Prof Dr. Rafdzah Ahmad Zaki <i>(Public Health Medicine Physician and a Professor in the Department of Social and Preventive Medicine at the Faculty of Medicine, Universiti Malaya)</i>
10.20 – 10.40 am	Q&A Session
10.40 – 11.10 am	Morning Break & Networking (Centrepont, Faculty of Medicine)
	THEME 2: Parasites That Kill - Protozoa & Blood-Borne Diseases
11.10 - 11.30 am	Malaria: Elimination of Malaria (Vector Control, Diagnosis, Treatment, and Surveillance) Part 1: Surveillance, Vector Control & Public Health Strategies Dr Nantha Kumar A/L Jeyaprakasam <i>(Senior lecturer, Faculty of Health Sciences, Universiti Kebangsaan Malaysia)</i>
11.30 - 11.45 am	Part 2: Diagnostic Tools and Techniques for Accurate Malaria Diagnosis Dr Lai Meng Yee <i>(Department of Parasitology, Faculty of Medicine, Universiti Malaya)</i>

11.45 - 12.00 pm	Part 3: From Uncomplicated to Severe: Practical Approaches to Malaria Treatment Dr Anjanna Kukreja <i>(Infectious Diseases Physician, Department of Medicine, Faculty of Medicine, Universiti Malaya)</i>
12.00 – 12.30 pm	Trypanosomiasis from Two Continents: Sleeping Sickness & Chagas Disease Dr. Christina Naula <i>(Course Director of Diploma of Tropical Medicine and Hygiene & MSc in One Health and Infectious Disease, University of Glasgow)</i>
12.30 – 12.45 pm	Q&A Session
12.45 – 1.15 pm	Lunch Symposium: Abbott Laboratories Pte Ltd Enhancing Adult Dengue Care Dr. Ng Rong Xiang <i>(Infectious Diseases Physician, Department of Medicine, Faculty of Medicine, Universiti Malaya)</i>
1.15 – 2.10 pm	Prayers & Lunch Break
	THEME 3: Worms That Linger - Helminthic Infections
2.10 – 2.35 pm	Filariasis: The Hidden Epidemic, Diagnosis, Treatment & Elimination Programs Dr. Ivan Vun Jan Shui <i>(Public Health Consultant Physician Member of Scientific Committee Sarawak State Health Department. Malaysia)</i>
2.35 – 3.00 pm	Flukes: The Forgotten Flatworms (Liver, Lung & Blood Flukes) Prof. Dr. Hesham Mahyoub Sarhan Al-Mekhlafi <i>(Professor in Department of Parasitology, Faculty of Medicine, Universiti of Malaya)</i>

3.00 – 3.10 pm	Q&A Session
	THEME 4: Vaccine-Preventable Diseases
3.10 – 3.40 pm	Building Immunity from Scratch: Principles of National Immunization Programs Dato' Dr. Musa Mohd Nordin <i>(Paediatrician and neonatologist at the KPJ Damansara Specialist Hospital)</i>
3.40 pm – 4.05 pm	Rabies: 100% Fatal but 100% Preventable (Lessons from Sarawak's Rabies Response) Dr. Ivan Yun Jan Shui <i>(Public Health Consultant Physician Member of Scientific Committee Sarawak State Health Department. Malaysia)</i>
4.05 pm – 4.15 pm	Q&A
4.15 pm – 5.00 pm	THEME 5: Tales of the Unfortunate Traveler Dr Ong Hang Cheng <i>(Infectious Diseases Physician, Department of Medicine, Faculty of Medicine, Universiti Malaya)</i> Dr Bushra Megat Johari <i>(Infectious Diseases Physician, Department of Medicine, Faculty of Medicine, Universiti Malaya)</i> Dr Ng Sin Hui <i>(Clinical Specialist, Infectious Diseases Unit, Department of Medicine, Universiti Malaya Medical Centre)</i>
5.00 pm	Closing