



Hong Kong Society of Breast Surgeons



Breast Surgery International Oncoplastic Breast Surgery Course 25 Sept 2016 - REPORT

The 1st Hong Kong Society of Breast Surgeon BSI Oncoplastic Breast Surgery Course was held in Hong Kong on 25 September. This meeting is the first conjoint meeting between Hong Kong Society of Breast Surgeon and Breast Surgery International, with the strong support from Kowloon East Cluster Breast Centre. The course director is Dr Sharon Chan, and course advisor is Dr Polly Cheung. Prof Tinna Jahkola, Prof Elisabeth Elder and Prof Omar Youssef were invited as BSI lecturers. Nine local faculties were also invited. The aim of the course is to highlight important issue and to share advance knowledge in oncoplastic breast surgery.

Before the course, Prof Tina Jahkola attended Multidisciplinary meeting in Hong Kong Sanatorium Hospital on 24 September. The MDT consists of more than 10 breast surgeons and oncologists where 21 breast cancer cases management were discussed. All the lecturers joined the welcome dinner with fabulous Chinese cuisine.

On 25 September, the course started with welcome speech by Dr Sharon Chan and Opening speech by Dr Polly Cheung, It was followed by six lectures with topics chosen specific to address issues and challenges in oncoplastic breast surgery. It was followed by 5 video presentation and interactive session with 5 case discussion in the afternoon. The interactive session allowed active participation of audience, it also provided platform for surgeons to share experiences and grow collective knowledge. We have 150 participants for the course, 50 joined the interactive session. We received lots of positive feedback for the whole program, and all participants enjoyed the interactive session. After the whole day course, we had faculty dinner with western cuisine.

On 26 September, all lecturers visited the Kowloon East Cluster Breast Centre in United Christian Hospital. Kowloon East Cluster Breast Centre is the first government funded breast centre in Hong Kong, established by Dr Sharon Chan. The centre provides comprehensive breast services to breast cancer patients. Our lecturers were welcomed by the breast cancer survivors who hand-made Chinese handcrafts as souvenirs to our guests. After hospital tour, we had case assessment and discussion on three real breast cancer patients. After the visit, our guests and the organizing committee had celebration lunch together.

On 27 September, Prof Omar Youssef visited Hong Kong Sanatorium Hospital with Dr Sharon Chan. They observed Dr Polly Cheung's operation on mastectomy with implant reconstruction and contralateral breast augmentation. We had discussion and exchange of ideas on different issues in operating theatre.

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