


CRITICAL APPRAISAL COURSE



 **25 March – 20 May 2023**
16:00–17:30 hours (UTC+8)



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Time

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| 11:00 | Iraq, Jordan, Kuwait, Qatar, Saudi Arabia, Syria | 13:30 | India, Sri Lanka | 15:00 | Cambodia, Indonesia, Khovd, Thailand, Vietnam | 17:30 | Darwin |
| 12:00 | Oman, United Arab Emirates | 13:45 | Nepal | 16:00 | China, Hong Kong, Malaysia, Perth, Philippines | 19:00 | Sydney |
| 12:30 | Iran | 14:00 | Bangladesh, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan | | Singapore, Taiwan, Ulaanbaatar | 21:00 | New Zealand |
| 13:00 | Pakistan, Tajikistan, Uzbekistan | 14:30 | Myanmar | 17:00 | Japan, Korea | | |

LEARNING OBJECTIVES

- To acquire the core of critical appraisal skills to interpret all aspects of clinical studies for trustworthiness and relevance
- To apply critical appraisal skills to support clinical and policy decision-making

At the end of the course, participants should be able to critically appraise clinical research papers with confidence


COURSE SYLLABUS

- In each module, the faculty will focus on one study type and introduce the critical appraisal skills to read and understand the study
- From module 2 to module 8, *one selected AYR (per module)* will be given some pre-course training materials for preparation. They will undergo training in critical appraisal skills under the guidance of an expert faculty in the module
- The total time for each module is 90 minutes

TARGET AUDIENCE

- APLAR Young Rheumatologists (AYR) who want to acquire critical appraisal knowledge and skills
- All rheumatologists in APLAR are welcome to attend

SELECTED AYR FOR ACTIVE PARTICIPATION

- Do you want to be the *selected AYR* to acquire and practice your critical appraisal skills under the guidance of an expert faculty? If yes, please apply by [CLICK HERE](#)  Successful candidates will receive an email notification

COURSE OUTLINES

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| MARCH 25 2023 | Introduction & Overview Prof Jayaprakash Muliyl Prof Thambu D Sudarsanam |
| APRIL 01 2023 | Randomised Controlled Trials Prof Satish Kumar Dr Prasanna Samuel Premkumar |
| APRIL 15 2023 | Cohort Studies Dr Vignesh Kumar Chandiraseharan Dr Prasanna Samuel Premkumar |
| APRIL 22 2023 | Case-Control Studies Prof Jayaprakash Muliyl Dr Prasanna Samuel Premkumar |
| APRIL 29 2023 | Diagnostic Studies Prof Thambu D Sudarsanam Dr Prasanna Samuel Premkumar |
| MAY 06 2023 | Economic Studies Dr Divya Elizabeth Muliyl Dr Prasanna Samuel Premkumar |
| MAY 13 2023 | Systematic Reviews Prof Prathap Tharyan Dr Prasanna Samuel Premkumar |
| MAY 20 2023 | Guidelines Dr Vignesh Kumar Chandiraseharan Dr Prasanna Samuel Premkumar |

COURSE DIRECTORS

- **Prof Debashish Danda**
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- **Dr Priscilla Wong**
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- **Prof Jayaprakash Muliyl**
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