

Report on Tianfu Stroke Research Methodology Training Workshop

Chengdu, China 26th May 2017



This workshop was organised by Professors Ming Liu and Shihong Zhang and their team from the West China Hospital Chengdu. It took place the day before the Tianfu Stroke Conference and attracted 56 clinicians (all in the early stage of their research careers) who were interested in clinical stroke research. The WSO Faculty members were Professor Ming Liu, Professor Craig Anderson, and the other Faculty were Professors Hisatomi Arima, Shihong Zhang, and Jie Yang. The focus of the workshop was on epidemiological and clinical (bedside) research and the topics were: 'Common methods in stroke clinical research', 'First steps in research: what training do you need, raising a good research question, and choosing the correct research design', 'How to enhance the quality of clinical registries', 'How to find causal associations in observational studies', 'Propensity score analysis', 'Ordinal shift analysis', 'Systematic reviews & network meta-analysis', 'How to write a scientific paper and get it published, How to critique a scientific paper: perspective from reviewers, How to write a funding application, 'Real-world evidence': how to apply in practice. The workshop involved interactive tasks and there was very active discussion of each topic, with Faculty members being asked supplementary questions during the breaks. Feedback on the course was very positive.

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The faculty L to R, Prof Jie Yang, Prof Hisatomi Arima, Dr Bo Wu, Prof Craig Anderson, Prof Zhang Shihong, Prof Peter Sandercock, Dr Wu Simiao, Prof Liu Ming



The participants

