

## ISTH SCC 2018, DUBLIN, IRELAND, JULY 18-21, 2018.

International Society on Thrombosis and Hemostasis (ISTH) is a global not-for-profit membership organization advancing the understanding, prevention, diagnosis and treatment of thrombotic and bleeding disorders.

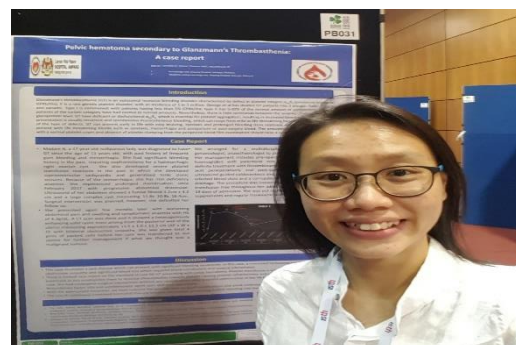
The SSC has 20 subcommittees that will meet on the following topics:

- Animal, Cellular and Molecular Model
- Biorheology
- Control of Anticoagulation
- Disseminated Intravascular Coagulation
- Factor VIII, Factor IX and Rare Coagulation Disorders
- Factor XI and the Contact System
- Factor XIII and Fibrinogen
- Fibrinolysis
- Genomics in Thrombosis and Hemostasis
- Hemostasis and Malignancy
- Lupus Anticoagulant/Antiphospholipid Antibodies
- Pediatric/Neonatal Thrombosis and Hemostasis
- Perioperative and Critical Care Thrombosis and Hemostasis
- Plasma Coagulation Inhibitors
- Platelet Immunology
- Platelet Physiology
- Predictive and Diagnostic Variables in Thrombotic Disease
- Vascular Biology
- von Willebrand Factor
- Women's Health Issues in Thrombosis and Hemostasis

I have the privilege to attend this meeting and presented a poster on Pelvic hematoma secondary to Glanzmann Thrombasthenia: A case report.

The topic that I attended the most is about DOAC and its usage in all forms of VTE especially in malignancy. There is a good data on the usage of DOAC in malignancy, and its efficacy is not inferior than warfarin or LMWH. Moreover, DOAC also save time and money for monitoring and hence reduce the hospital visit frequency and spend more time for their loved activities

Other than that, I was enlightened by the topic of VWD and pregnancy moderator. VWF level varies throughout pregnancy, highest in first trimester. If planning to replace factor prior to delivery, the best time to check VWF and factor VIII will be at 3<sup>rd</sup> trimester and for replacement of VWF if less than 0.5iu/ml adjunct with tranexamic acid.





Apart from learning, I have visited this beautiful city and visited cliff of Moher, Giant's causeway and Carrick-a-Rede Rope Bridge. The weather is comfortable, with average temperature of 16 degrees Celsius, with highest around 20 degrees C.







Carrick-a-Rede Rope Bridge

I would like to take this opportunity to express my gratitude to MSH for sponsoring me to this educational event. As what the presenter had said: we love thrombosis and yet little we know. I believe that this event has broadened my knowledge in thrombosis and hemostasis.

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