

INTRODUCTION

First Asia Pacific Conference and Exhibition on Anti-Ageing Medicine 2002: From Molecular Mechanisms to Therapies, June 23–26, 2002, Raffles City Convention Centre, Singapore

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In June 2002, the First Asia Pacific Conference and Exhibition on Anti-ageing Medicine was held at the Raffles City Convention Centre in the beautiful city-state of Singapore. Attended by over 700 delegates, the conference covered all aspects of the ageing process, from fundamental genetic and molecular mechanisms of ageing to the mechanisms underlying, and the latest treatments for, age-related diseases (especially Alzheimer's disease and cancer),

through to how the development of disease and the ageing phenotype can be slowed by diet, exercise and, more controversially, by antioxidant supplements and hormone replacement therapies. The papers that follow are a selection of those presented at the meeting, chosen as likely to be of most interest to the readers of *Free Radical Research*. They have all been subject to our usual peer-review process.