

Judy Sng

ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR & **EDUCATION LEAD**

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Links

Virtual Integrated Patient

Laboratory of Digital Learning and Development Judy Sng's Courses <u>PharmaVIDEOS</u>

Neuroepigenetics Lab

Education

Masters in Medical Education, Harvard Medical School (ongoing)

September 2023 — May 2025

Ph.D., Kanazawa University, Kanazawa, Ishikawa, Japan OCTOBER 2002 — SEPTEMBER 2005

Studied neuroepigenetics and neuropharmacology in Yukio Yoneda's lab

Profile

Medical educator with strengths in innovative pedagogies. My passion in neuroscience links brain circuitry to artificial intelligence and medical education. Codeveloper and co-creator of the <u>Virtual Integrated Patient</u> and series of <u>educational</u> tools related to Pharmacology.

Academic Experience

Education Lead at Department of Pharmacology, Yong Loo Lin School of Medicine, National University of Singapore, Singapore

JULY 2024 — PRESENT

Leading the education team of 2 Education Directors, 1 Senior Lecturer, 3 Lecturers, 2 Instructors.

Education Director for Nursing Curriculum, Extramural Courses & Digital Transformation at Department of Pharmacology, Yong Loo Lin School of Medicine, National University of Singapore, Singapore

JULY 2020 — PRESENT

Module coordinator and co-lecturer of

- LSM 3219 Neuropharmacology
- MDG 5238 Clinical Pharmacology & Pharmacotherapeutics I
- MDG 5239 Clinical Pharmacology & Pharmacotherapeutics II

Co-coordinator and co-lecturer of

- NUR 1125 Pathophysiology, Pharmacology and Nursing Practice I
- NUR 2125 Pathophysiology, Pharmacology and Nursing Practice II

Co-coordinator of

• NUR 3120 Pathophysiology, Pharmacology and Nursing Practice III

Facilitator and Case writer of

· Collaboration Learning Cases for Medical Students

Supervised a total of 71 trainees over 10 years: 1 research fellow, 3 research assistants, graduated 2 Ph.D. students, 23 Final Year Honours thesis projects, 24 shortterm interns and 22 medical students.

Associate Professor at Department of Pharmacology, Yong Loo Lin School of Medicine, National University of Singapore, Singapore

JANUARY 2023 — PRESENT

Senior Lecturer at Department of Pharmacology, Yong Loo Lin School of Medicine, National University of Singapore, Singapore

AUGUST 2014 — PRESENT

Adjunct Principal Investigator at Singapore Institute for Clinical Sciences, A*STAR, Singapore

AUGUST 2014 — JULY 2016

Adjunct Assistant Professor at Department of Physiology, Yong Loo Lin School of Medicine, National University of Singapore, Singapore

JANUARY 2010 — JULY 2014

Principal Investigator at Singapore Institute for Clinical Sciences, A*STAR, Singapore

JANUARY 2009 — JULY 2014

Head of Neuroepigenetics Lab. Supervised a total of 28 trainees over 5.5 years: 3 research fellows (all obtained independent faculty positions), 6 research assistants, graduated 2 Ph.D. students, co-supervised 2 other students and 15 interns.

BSc (Honours), National University of Singapore, Singapore AUGUST 1998 — DECEMBER 2001

Courses

Certificate in Healthcare Leadership, Yong Loo Lin School of Medicine, National University of Singapore

2023

Certificate in Medical Education, CenMed, Yong Loo Lin School of Medicine, National University of Singapore 2016

Awards

Faculty Annual Digital Educator Award (Team), Singapore FEBRUARY 2022

Team Lead; Co-inventor of the Virtual Integrated Patient.

Primary Care Provider 2021, Singapore AUGUST 2021

2nd place poster award to our VIP team member, Dr Teo Boon See

APMEC 2021 Free Communications Merit Award, Singapore JANUARY 2021

Merit award to our research assistant, Miss Juanita Kong part of the VIP team

NUS High Best Mentor Award, Singapore

Nominated as Best Mentor in 2012 and 2016

Research Fellow at Children's Hospital Boston, Harvard Medical School, Boston, USA

JULY 2007 — DECEMBER 2008

Led the epigenetics division in Hensch/Fagiolini Lab

Research Scientist at RIKEN Brain Science Institute, Wako-shi, Japan

OCTOBER 2005 — JUNE 2007

Started epigenetics division in Hensch Lab (Critical Periods Development)

Scholarship of Teaching and Learning

Publications

- 1. Juanita S. M. Kong, Teo Boon See, Lee Yueh Jia, Pabba Anubharath, Edmund J.D. Lee and Judy C.G Sng. (2021) Virtual Integrated Patient: An AI supplementary tool for second year medical students, TAPS, 6(3), 87-90 Link
- Juanita S. M. Kong & Judy C. G. Sng. (2020) Introducing the VIP: An AI response to clinical teaching in the time of Covid-19. NUS Medicine Newsletter Issue 35. Link
- Maniclang, M.A.F., Hong R.Y.H., Marzin, M., Amellal, K., Rajendran K, Lee E.J.D., & Sng J.C.G. (2018). Evaluating the effectiveness of enhancing webcasts with digital tagging. Asian Journal of the Scholarship of Teaching and Learning, 8(1), 5-24 Link
- 4. Maniclang, M. A. F., Ang, Z. L. T., Hong, R. Y. H., Lee, E. J. D., & Sng, J. C. G. (2018). Students' perceptions of webcast lectures and online video materials: Results of a survey at a higher education institution in Singapore. Asian Journal of the Scholarship of Teaching and Learning, 8(2). 150-180 Link

Conferences and Workshops

- 1. **Judy C.G Sng**, Gavin Dawe, Inthrani Raj Indran, Priya Paranthaman, Nurulhuda Mustafa, Tharindunee Jayakody (2024) Active engagement with learners in cocreating and collaborative knowledge building using digital and AI technologies, Workshop speaker, Asia Pacific Medical Education Conference 2024 (APMEC 2024), 18 January 2024, Sri Lanka
- 2. **Judy C.G Sng** (2023) Active engagement with learners in co-creating and collaborative knowledge building using digital and AI technologies, Invited speaker, Fudan University, 4 December 2023, Shanghai, China
- Judy C.G Sng (2022) Learners' involvement in co-creating and collaborative knowledge building in developing an educational tool, Virtual Integrated Patient Poster presenter, Society for Neuroscience, November 2022, San Diego, USA
- 4. **Judy C.G Sng** (2022) Digital Health: Al in Healthcare, Invited speaker, Connection 2022, Temasek Holdings, 4 November 2023, Sands Convention Centre, Singapore
- 5. **Judy C.G Sng** (2022) Trendsetters in teaching, assessment and work readiness, Symposium and Workshop speaker, Monash Malaysia Medical Education Conference 2022 (MMMEC 2022), 25 June 2022, Johor Bahru. Malaysia
- Judy C.G Sng (2022) Introducing the Virtual Integrated Patient (VIP). Invited Speaker, Medical Education Unit (MEU) Journal Club 28 April 2022. Monash University, Jeffrey Cheah School of Medicine and Health Sciences, Johor Bahru, Malaysia
- 7. **Judy C.G Sng,** (2022) Implications of Artificial Intelligence-Enabled Technology on Medical Education. Symposium speaker, APMEC 2022. Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia.
- 8. Teo Boon See, Lee Yueh Jia, Juanita S.M. Kong, Pabba Anubharath, Edmund J.D. Lee and **Judy C.G Sng**. (2021) Increasing history taking through blended learning

Young Investigator Colloquium Award, APSN, Singapore, Taiwan

Awarded in 2006 (Singapore) and 2014 (Taiwan) to give a colloquium at the biennial APSN meetings

Travel Award, Hong Kong & Washington DC, USA

Awarded in 2004 (Hong Kong) by APSN to give a poster presentation at the biennial APSN meeting, Hong Kong; Awarded in 2005 by International Brain Research Organization to attend and present a poster at the annual SfN meeting, Washington, DC, USA

Full Japanese government scholarship, Japan MONBUKAGAKUSHO SCHOLARSHIP OCTOBER 2002 — SEPTEMBER 2005

Service

Committee Member.
Division of Graduate
Studies Yong Loo Lin
School of Medicine,
National University of
Singapore, Singapore
JULY 2023 —
PRESENT

Head, Video Recording
Facilities at Department
of Pharmacology, Yong
Loo Lin School of
Medicine, National
University of Singapore,
Singapore
JUNE 2021 —
PRESENT

Lead technical team to set up this video recording facility for department and School

- with a virtual patient. Primary Care Grand Conference 2021 (2nd Place for e-poster)
- Juanita S. M. Kong, Lee Yueh Jia, Teo Boon See, Edmund J.D. Lee and Judy C.G Sng. (2021) VIP- An educational response to virtual classrooms. Using Al in the Covid-19 pandemic. APMEC 2021. Singapore (Merit for short communications)
- 10. **Judy C.G Sng** (2020) Introducing the Virtual Integrated Patient (VIP). Invited Speaker. 24 July 2020. International Medical University, Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia
- 11. **Judy C.G Sng** (2020) The journey of developing the Virtual Integrated Patient (VIP). Invited Speaker, 20 June 2020. Singapore University of Technology and Design, Singapore
- Juanita Kong, Judy C.G. Sng, Edmund J.D. Lee (2020) Integration of Virtual Patient Simulations to Effectively Nurture and Prepare Medical Professionals. APMEC 2020, Nurturing Values for effective practice, 8-12 January 2020, Resorts World Singapore, Singapore
- Yueh Jia Lee, Judy C.G. Sng, Edmund J.D. Lee (2020) Effective Pharmacokinetic-Pharmacodynamic (PKPD) Visualizers to Guide Future Clinicians' Values in Handson Practices APMEC 2020, Nurturing Values for effective practice, 8-12 January 2020, Resorts World Singapore, Singapore
- 14. Pabba Anubharath, Yoon Ping Chui, **Judy C.G Sng** and Edmund J.D. Lee. (2019) Performance of Virtual Integrated Patient. 36th international conference on innovation, practice and research in the use of educational technologies in tertiary education, ASCILITE 2019, 2-5 December 2019, SUSS, Singapore
- 15. **Judy C.G. SNG**, Maxime MARZIN & Edmund J.D. LEE. Does enriching lecture videos and webcast with digital tags promote active learning? E-poster, 14th APMEC 2017, Singapore
- 16. Zoe L.T. ANG, Regina Y.H. HONG, Mariel A. F. MANICLANG, Judy C.G. SNG & Edmund J.D. LEE. Understanding students' attitudes and preferences towards various modes of e-learning and curriculum delivery. Oral session, 14th APMEC 2017, Singapore
- 17. Zoe L.T. ANG, Regina Y.H. HONG, Mariel A. F. MANICLANG, **Judy C.G. SNG** & Edmund J.D. LEE. Understanding students' attitudes and preferences towards various modes of e-learning and curriculum delivery. CenMed Prime sessions, 7th November 2016, YLL SoM, Singapore
- 18. **Judy C. G. SNG**. Enriching lecture videos and webcast with digital tags to promote active learning. CDTL TiP workshop 2016, NUS, Singapore.
- 19. Zoe L.T. ANG, Regina Y.H. HONG, **Judy C.G. SNG** & Edmund J.D. LEE. Enriching lecture videos and webcast with digital tags to promote active learning. E-poster A1409, 13th APMEC 2016, Singapore
- Judy C. G. SNG. PharmaCASES: Clinical Applications and Scenarios through Experiential Learning System in Pharmacology for medical practitioners. Eposter A1140, 13th APMEC 2016, Singapore
- 21. **Judy C. G. SNG.** PharmaCASES: Clinical Applications and Scenarios through Experiential Learning System in Pharmacology for medical practitioners. CenMed Prime sessions, 2nd November 2015, YLL SoM, NUS, Singapore
- 22. Zoe L.T. ANG, Regina Y.H. HONG, **Judy C.G. SNG** & Edmund J.D. LEE. Enriching lecture videos and webcast with digital tags on SAM online platform to promote active learning. Conference paper, ISSOTL 2015, Melbourne, Australia
- 23. **Judy C. G. SNG.** PharmaCASES: Clinical Applications and Scenarios through Experiential Learning System in Pharmacology for medical practitioners. Conference paper, ISSOTL 2015, Melbourne, Australia

of Medicine to make educational videos

Organizer of Educator Club at Yong Loo Lin School of Medicine, NUS, Singapore 2018 — PRESENT

Lead a monthly network and sharing platform, Educator Club whereby fellow educators meet to discuss and share best

teaching practice

Steering Committee,
Pharmacology Lead,
Masters of Nursing at
Alice Lee Centre for
Nursing Studies,
Singapore
2017 — PRESENT

Assessor, Medical
Admissions at Yong Loo
Lin School of Medicine,
National University of
Singapore
2017 — PRESENT

Treasurer at Asian Pacific Society for Neurochemistry JUNE 2024 — PRESENT

Advisor to Local
Organizing Committee at
APSN 2023 Conference
JUNE 2023

Chairperson, Local
Organizing Committee at
APSN 2021 Virtual
Conference
DECEMBER 2021

Chair and organizer of a biennial conference for the Asian Pacific Society for Neurochemistry (APSN 2021). Raised funds, invited international and local speakers and students for this virtual event

Education Grants

Summary: Total Quantum for education grants \$926,500

Principal Investigator, METE Funding, Singapore

JANUARY 2020 — DECEMBER 2021

Principal Investigator for *Virtual Integrated Patient* funded by Medical Education, Technology and Enterprise (METE, \$265,000) to continue the development of *VIP* for Yong Loo Lin School of Medicine

Ministry of Education Tertiary Research Fund, Singapore

JANUARY 2016 — DECEMBER 2019

Co-principal investigator for the *Virtual Integrated Patient* funded by the MOE TRF Programmatic fund. It is the largest quantum (\$485,000) allocated to a team to promote innovation and research on teaching and learning.

Teaching Enhancement Grant, CDTL, Singapore

2016 - 2018

(PI, awarded: \$23,500) PharmaVideos.

Yong Loo Lin School of Medicine Strategic Budget Fund, Singapore

2015 - 2017

(Co-PI, awarded \$100,000) Development of resources for the effective migration of course materials to e-platforms.

Teaching Enhancement Grant, CDTL, Singapore

2014 - 2015

(PI, awarded: \$8,000) PharmaCASES: Clinical Applications and Scenarios through Experiential Learning System in Pharmacology for medical practitioners.

NUS-USPC Alliance Grant, Singapore

2015 — 2016

(Co-PI, awarded €30,000) Enriching lecture videos and webcast with digital tags on SAM online platform to promote active learning.

Scientific Research

Summary: Total Quantum for scientific research grants \$1.52m

Co-Investigator, Ministry of Education Tier 3 Funding, Singapore

MAY 2018 — DECEMBER 2023

Co-principal investigator for the *Defining the brain circuitry that cause dementia,* \$40 million awarded to a team of 16 co-investigators with lead investigator, Prof. George Augustine.

Principal Investigator, National Medical Research Council New Investigator Grant, Singapore

JANUARY 2016 — DECEMBER 2018

New Investigator Grant for Optogenetic control of an epigenetic regulator, PRMT8, in inhibitory interneurons to reactivate visual cortical plasticity and recovery of visual acuity, \$198k

Co-Investigator, Engineering-Medicine Seed Grant, Singapore

MARCH 2015 — FEB 2016

Engineering-Medicine Seed Grant, Engineering a Wireless Photostimulator to Optogenetically Control an Epigenetic Regulator, PRMT8 in Inhibitory Interneurons to Enable Reactivation of Critical Period, \$50k

Conference committee member at International Society for Neurochemistry 2017 — PRESENT

Conference committee panel. Review conference applications to ISN requesting for funding

Service

Committee Member at Society for Neuroscience (SfN) Singapore Chapter, Singapore

2011 — PRESENT

Community Work

Executive Member, Grassroots Resident Network at Woodleigh Hillside, 2024 — PRESENT

Vice-Chairman,
Grassroots Resident
Committee at
Macpherson Precinct,
2019 — 2024

Organize activities for residents in MacPherson precinct. Featured in Straits Times (link) and NUS Alumni Report (link)

- Kho S-H, Yee JY, Puang SJ, Han L, Chiang LLC, Rapisarda A, Goh WWB, Lee J, and Sng J (2022) DNA methylation levels of RELN promoter region in Ultra-high Risk, First Episode and Chronic Schizophrenia cohorts of Schizophrenia. Schizophrenia
- 2. Yee JY, Chow SQ, Lim K, Goh W, Sng J, Lee TS, Lee J. (2022) Haptoglobin in ultra-high risk of psychosis Findings from the longitudinal youth at risk study (LYRIKS). Brain Behav Immun Health. 12;23:100481. Link
- Schnyder S and Sng J (2021) Dance And Jive Well Into Your Senior Life. AIC, November issue. Link
- 4. Puang, S.J., Elanggovan, B., Ching, T. & Sng J.C.G. (2020). MEF2C and HDAC5 regulate Egr1 and Arc genes to increase dendritic spine density and complexity in early enriched environment. *Neuronal Signal*, 4 (3): NS20190147. <u>Link</u>
- Ho, N. F., Tng, J., Wang, M., Chen, G., Subbaraju, V., Shukor, S., Ng, D., Tan, B. L., Puang, S. J., Kho, S. H., Siew, R., Sin, G. L., Eu, P. W., Zhou, J., Sng, J., Sim, K., & Medalia, A. (2020). Plasticity of DNA methylation, functional brain connectivity and efficiency in cognitive remediation for schizophrenia. *Journal of psychiatric research*, S0022-3956(19)31081-7. <u>Link</u>
- Shun Qiang Lo, Judy C. G. Sng & George J. Augustine (2017) Defining a critical period for inhibitory circuits within the somatosensory cortex. *Scientific Reports* 7, Article number: 7271. <u>Link</u>
- 7. Begum MR and Judy C.G. Sng (2017) Molecular mechanisms of experience-dependent maturation in cortical GABAergic inhibition. *J Neurochem* 42:649-661. <u>Link</u>
- 8. Wilson Wen Bin Goh, Judy Chia-Ghee Sng, Jie Yin Yee, Yuen Mei See, Tih-Shih Lee, Limsoon Wong, Jimmy Lee. (2017) Can peripheral blood-derived gene expression characterize individuals at ultra-high risk for psychosis? *Computational Psychiatry*, 1: 168-183. Link
- Ohba K, Sinha RA, Singh BK, Iannucci LF, Zhou J, Kovalik J-P, Liao X-H, Refetoff S, Sng JCG, Leow MK-S, Yen PM (2017) Changes in Hepatic TRβ Protein Expression, Lipogenic Gene Expression, and Long-Chain Acylcarnitine Levels During Chronic Hyperthyroidism and Triiodothyronine Withdrawal in a Mouse Model.Thyroid 27(6):852-860. Link
- 10. Lee PK, Goh WW and Judy Sng (2017) Network-based characterization of the synaptic proteome reveals that removal of epigenetic regulator *Prmt8* restricts proteins associated with synaptic maturation. J Neurochem, 140(4):613-628. <u>Link</u>
- 11. Oikawa H, Sng JC (2016) Valproic acid as a microRNA modulator to promote neurite outgrowth. Neural Regen Res 11(10):1564-1565.Link
- 12. Dawn Koh and Judy C. G. Sng (2016) HDAC1 negatively regulates Bdnf and Pvalb required for parvalbumin interneuron maturation in an experience-dependent manner. J Neurochem, 139(3):369-380. <u>Link</u>
- 13. Kenji Ohba, Melvin Khee-Shing Leow, Brijesh Kumar Singh, Rohit Anthony Sinha, Ronny Lesmana, Xiao-Hui Liao, Sujoy Ghosh, Samuel Refetoff, Judy Chia Ghee Sng and Paul Michael Yen (2016) Desensitization and incomplete recovery of hepatic target genes after chronic thyroid hormone treatment and withdrawal in male adult mice. Endocrinology, 157(4), 1660–1672. <u>Link</u>, Highlighted in <u>News and Views</u>
- Andreas Lennartsson, Erik Arner, Michela Fagiolini, Alka Saxena, Robin Andersson, Hazuki Takahashi, Yukihiko Noro, Judy Sng, Albin Sandelin, , Takao K. Hensch and Piero Carninci (2015) Remodeling of retrotransposon elements during epigenetic induction of adult visual cortical plasticity by HDAC inhibitors. Epigenetics and Chromatin, 8:55. <u>Link</u>
- 15. Hirotaka Oikawa, Wilson W.B. Goh, Vania K.J. Lim, Limsoon Wong, Judy C.G. Sng (2015) Valproic acid mediates miR-124 to down-regulate a novel protein target, GNAI1. Neurochemistry International, 91: 62-71. Link
- 16. SQ Lo, Dawn X. P. Koh, Judy C. G. Sng and George Augustine (2015) All-optical mapping of barrel cortex circuits based on simultaneous voltage-sensitive dye imaging and channelrhodopsin-mediated photostimulation. Neurophotonics, 2(2), 021013. <u>Link</u>
- 17. Piero Ricchiuto, Judy C.G. Sng, Wilson Wen Bin Goh. (2015) Analyzing extremely small sized ratio datasets. IJBRA, 11(3), 268-280. <u>Link</u>
- 18. Wilson Goh, Wong Limsoon and Judy C. G. Sng. (2014) Contemporary Network Proteomics and Its Requirements. Biology, 3, 22-38 (Invited review). <u>Link</u>