



APHIA

ABN: 68 833 221 281

**ASIA PACIFIC HISTOCOMPATIBILITY
and
IMMUNOGENETICS ASSOCIATION**

President:
Campbell Witt
(Western Australia)

Secretary
Rhonda Holdsworth
(Victoria)

Treasurer:
Narelle Watson
(NSW)

Council:
Lynne Weston
(NSW)

Linda Smith
(Western Australia)

Patrick Hogan
(Queensland)

Greg Bennett
(South Australia)

Paul Dunn
(New Zealand)

Uma Kanga
(India)

Pawinee Kupatawintu
Pimpun Kitpoka
(Thailand)

International Reps
James McCluskey
Narinder Mehra
Frank Christiansen
Brian Tait
Rhonda Holdsworth

Co-opted Councillors
Malcolm Simons

Dr Akinori Kimura
President,
Japanese Society for Histocompatibility and
Immunogenetics
10-March-2010

Dear Dr Kimura

I am writing to you as current president of ASEATTA to inform you that ASEATTA has changed its name to APHIA (Asia Pacific Histocompatibility and Immunogenetics Association).

The intention of the name change was to de-emphasise the role of Australia in the Association with the hope that laboratories from other Asian countries might be more likely to join APHIA. APHIA will soon adopt a new logo rather than the one currently shown at the top of this letterhead to reflect the new name.

On a separate topic, many of the APHIA Councillors have fond memories of the AOH workshops and have asked me to contact JSHI to see if there is any enthusiasm to hold another AOH meeting. As the last AOH was the 7th AOH in 2003, the next meeting would be the 8th AOH. 2013 has been suggested as a possible date. The exact date and location (country where the 8th AOH would be held) would be a topic for discussion if there were sufficient interest from JSHI.

I look forward to hearing from you.

Kind regards

Campbell Witt

Presidential Office for 2010

Dr Campbell Witt,
Department of Clinical Immunology and Immunogenetics,
PathWest Laboratory Medicine WA,
Royal Perth Hospital,
Australia WA