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Research Interests:

- Obstructive Airways Disease (Asthma, COPD, Bronchiectasis)
- Pneumonia
- Climate change, Air quality and Respiratory Health
- Respiratory Disease Management
- Value Based Care
- AI & Population Health

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Biography

Dr Abisheganaden graduated MBBS (NUS) in 1989. He pursued advanced Specialist Training in Respiratory Medicine at Tan Tock Seng Hospital (TTSH), where he is currently a Senior Consultant Respiratory Physician & previous Head of Department. He is active as a clinician-scientist, with special interests in obstructive airway diseases, Pneumonia, Respiratory Disease management, Environmental Sciences and AI & Population Health management. He has more than 120 publications both in local and international peer-reviewed journals with an H-index of 30. He has also co-authored several book chapters on clinical asthma, and another on Radiological Images in Medicine.

Selected Publications

- Forecasting upper respiratory tract infection burden using high-dimensional time series data and forecast combinations. Lim, J. T., Tan, K. B., **Abisheganaden, J.**, & Dickens, B. L. (2023). *PLOS Computational Biology*, 19(2), e1010892. Impact Factor: 4.8
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Notable Research Awards & Grants from Past 5 Years

Name of Awards & Grants	Year Obtained
Ministry of Education (MOE) Academic Research Fund (AcRF) for "Inflammatory, Infectious and Immune perturbation in very early chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (COPD)". Co-Investigator	2016
National Medical Research Council (NMRC) Covid-19 Grant for "Lung Organoids: A tool of the 4 th industrial revolution to study Covid-19 pathogenesis". Co-investigator	2020
Indoor air microbiomes as a gateway to exposome-guided precision medicine for respiratory disease. National Medical Research Council (NMRC) Clinician-Scientist Award (CSA) grant- Collaborator with PI Dr Sanjay Chotirmall (LKCMedicine, NTU). Funding: SGD 1,410,000. Goal: assesses the exposome as an under-appreciated and key contributor to clinical outcomes in respiratory disease	2022
NMRC 2024 LCG Award (TARIPH). Theme 4 PI for The Academic Respiratory Initiative for Pulmonary Health (TARIPH). Proposal ID: OFLCG23may-0038. Funding: \$1,642,036. Goal: Predicting climatic changes with machine learning / AI to Prevent exacerbations of asthma and COPD.	2024