Multidisciplinary Research Initiatives in the Preclinical Departments

Five research groups have been formed by members of the four Preclinical Departments in the Faculty to facilitate and promote interactions and collaborations. These are: (I) Cardiovascular Research, (II) Cell and Cancer Biology, (III) Mechanisms of Disease, (IV) Molecular Interactions and Development, and (V) Neuroscience. Members within each research group meet regularly to share research ideas, experience and expertise. Fifteen projects are ongoing, with funding over 14.6 million dollars granted by RGC this year. Members of the research groups welcome suggestions and collaborations from colleagues of other departments within the Faculty and from other faculties in the University.

(I) Cardiovascular Research

Group Leader: Professor R Man (Pharmacology)

Expertise of members include lipid metabolism and its regulation using isolated tissues and cell culture techniques; in vitro effect of lipid mediators in the regulation of vascular function and in vivo measurement of blood flow. Hypercholesterolemia is an important risk factor of coronary heart disease. Statins, or HMG-CoA reductase inhibitors, are now one of the most effective and widely used pharmacological agents in the control of hypercholesterolemia, and may have other actions that contribute to protection against coronary heart disease. The vascular functions of statins are being investigated.

(II) Cell and Cancer Biology

Group Leader: Dr. George Tsao (Anatomy)

Research expertise of members include: cell proliferation, apoptosis, immortalization; epithelial differentiation; hormonal carcinogenesis; nutrient-hormonal interaction; hormonal receptor gene expression; molecular genetics of cancer; telomerase and telomere dynamics; cell injury and wound healing; DNA damage; inflammation and oxidative stress; NOS; transferrin receptor and calcium metabolism. Based on the existing strength and expertise of the members, research will focus on the mechanisms of carcinogenesis. Three research projects have been identified and they are: (1) Cytokine-induced oxidative hepatocellular injury; (2) Role of telomerase in apoptosis and cellular immortalization and (3) Role of IGF-1 and VEGF in sex hormone-induced prostate carcinogenesis.

(III) Mechanisms of Disease

Group Leader: Professor TM Wong (Physiology)

Members in this Group share a common research interest in the fundamental mechanisms underlying disease processes. Expertise among members ranges from research at subcellular levels through the study of isolated cells to intact animals and human subjects. A group project entitled "Adaptation and responses to tissue hypoxia, using coronary artery disease and stomach ulcer as models" has been established. Professor GW He (Surgery, HKU) and Drs. Y Huang, PS Leung and XQ Yao (Physiology, CUHK) will participate in the project. The fundamental aim is the prevention and effective treatment of diseases due to inadequate supply of oxygen. The disease models of coronary artery disease and peptic ulcer are highly prevalent in Hong Kong's stressful society.
Message from the Dean

May I take this opportunity to wish students, staff and Alumni all the best in the Year of the Rabbit when we shall march into the millennium.

I am happy to report that the HKU Medical Alumni Association has been incorporated. Under the Presidency of Professor Rosie Young and her eminent executive committee, I am certain that our Alumni will be united ever stronger to the benefit of the Faculty and the University. I am looking forward to its many activities and its inaugural gathering later in the year. Like our 110th anniversary celebration, it will again be another exciting occasion to meet old acquaintance and to renew friendship.

I had the good fortune to invite undergraduate students and staff members to a Spring Reception held at the Wei Lun Hall. It offered a social gathering through which I hope fraternity will start to grow. For me, it was an invaluable occasion to meet so many students and staff members outside the lecture halls and tutorial rooms. I could feel the warmth and the cohesiveness. The Faculty is the people in it and without them, the Faculty is but an empty office.

I hope that in the not too distant future, our students are able to mix well and learn from our Alumni. Together, we will form an invincible Medical Faculty.

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Molecular Interactions and Development

The Molecular Interactions and Development Research Group is formed with a common research interest in understanding how different molecules interact and mediate the differentiation, proliferation and growth of cells during the different phases of life from embryo to adult in both health and disease. The Group has a diverse variety of expertise: protein biochemistry; glycobiology; molecular and cell biology; transgenic methodology; molecular genetics; embryology and histopathology. The following areas have received RGC funding award this year: (1) redox signaling in cancer cells, (2) transcription factors in growth and embryonic development of the brain, pancreas and skeleton, (3) relationship between the formation of bone and blood cells and (4) how a mutation in the enzyme glucose-6-dehydrogenase found in Chinese affects its function. U', Neuroscience Group Leader: Professor SF Pang (Phy siology)

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Exciting News

Train-the-Trainer Programme for China

The Presidents, Vice-Chancellor and Dean of three top universities of China (Beijing, Shanghai and Hong Kong) came together on 15 March 1999 in a rare and memorable display of unity to participate in a Signing Ceremony for a Collaboration Agreement cum Launching Ceremony of the Train-the-Trainer Programme at the University of Hong Kong.

The Train-the-Trainer Programme was introduced by Professor Paul K.H. Tam, Chair of Paediatric Surgery, the University of Hong Kong and has been generously sponsored for two years by the S.K. Yee Medical Foundation. The aim of the project is to improve the standard of surgical care of children in China through the establishment of a new and more effective method of medical education and training. The concept revolves around the transition of specialist winning from traditional apprenticeship to modern systematic structured training, a development which has been in full force in Hong Kong and Western countries but deficient in large parts of China. To propagate this training method in the Mainland in the most efficient manner, a proliferating scheme of "train-the-trainers" has been devised.

In this scheme, two leading institutions, Beijing children's Hospital of Capital University of Medical Sciences and Shanghai Children's Medical Center of the Shanghai Second Medical University will each send a surgeon and a nurse to the Division of Paediatric Surgery, Department of Surgery, the University of Hong Kong for intensive training for 1 year and 1/2 year respectively. These trainers, upon their return to Beijing and Shanghai, will set up similar training programmes for trainers from other parts of China. Trainers from Hong Kong will visit the two centers regularly to ensure the achievement and maintenance of a satisfactory standard of the training courses and to introduce new advances in surgical knowledge and care. The University of Hong Kong will also benefit from the valuable academic exchange.

Collaboration between the medical schools of Hong Kong, Beijing and Shanghai has long existed but the establishment of the Train-the-Trainer programme now has generated further understanding and enthusiasm among the staff of the medical schools. All parties involved have expressed a fervent wish that wider collaboration in other areas will similarly be fostered.

Collaborative Research Centre on Reproductive Medicine

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The Department of Obstetrics and Gynaecology signed an agreement with the Department of Obstetrics and Gynaecology, Tangdu Hospital, The Fourth Military Medical University (FMMU), Man on 19 March 1999 to establish a collaborative research centre on reproductive medicine in Man. The Centre will be located at the Tangdu Hospital in Man. Professor Chen Sheng-qiu (Vice President, FMMU) and Professor Liu Zhen-Li (President, Tangdu Hospital) of Xian, Professor SL Wong (Pro-Vice Chancellor), Professor Grace WK Tang (Dean, Faculty of Medicine, HKU) and Professor PC Ho (Head of Department of Obstetrics and Gynaecology, HKU) attended the signing ceremony. The objectives for the establishment of this Centre are

1. to improve the standard of reproductive medicine in Northwest China
2. to exchange clinical information between the two departments
3. to promote research collaboration between the two departments
4. to increase the capability of the two departments in applying for research grants

BNursing(Full-time) Programme Accredited by the Hong Kong Nursing Board

Ants meeting of 27 November, 1998, the Nursing Board of Hong Kong accredited the Bachelor of Nursing Degree (Full-time) Programme offered by the Department of Nursing Studies of the University of Hong Kong. Accreditation panels of the Board conducted extensive reviews of curricular material and supporting documentation, site visits to the clinical agencies used for clinical practice, and to the Department of Nursing Studies. Subsequently, the Board judged that the comprehensive programme, in its present format, meets the standards required for students to acquire the competence required to function as registered nurses. Graduates of the programme, who have satisfactorily completed all programme requirements prior to 2003 will be eligible for direct registration with the Board as registered nurses. As the Nursing Board will initiate a Universal Licensing Examination in 2003, all graduates of nursing programmes in Hong Kong in, or after, 2003 will have to pass the Universal Licensing Examination of the Board before they can be licensed to practise as registered nurses.
Recent Events

Centre of Alimentary Research and Education (CARE)

The Centre was established in 1998 in the Faculty of Medicine as a Centre of Excellence. The first council meeting was held in December 1998 during which the present office bearers were elected. At present the membership includes the Director, Professor SK Lam (Medicine), Deputy Director, Professor CH Cho (Pharmacology), Honorary Secretary, Dr BCY Wong (Medicine), Honorary Treasurer, Dr WM Hui (Medicine) and Council members, Professor John Wong (Surgery), Professor Paul Tam (Surgery), Professor Peter Fung (Medical Physics) and Dr SY Leung (Pathology); and a total of 32 fellows from various departments of the Faculty of Medicine and Queen Mary Hospital.

RGC Central Allocation Vote Award for group research project led by Faculty members

A substantial grant under the RGC Central Allocation Vote for group research has been awarded to a multidisciplinary, inter-institutional team of researchers coordinated by Prof. K. Cheap in the Faculty. These researchers have chosen to ignore departmental and institutional boundaries to share expertise and work together as a team on a programme with the central theme of "Understanding gene function by tissue-specific gene inactivation". The Team consists of seven principal investigators from the Medical Faculty [Prof. K. Cheap, Dr. M.H. Sham (Biochemistry), Prof.L.C. Chan (Pathology), Dr. S.Y Chan (Paediatrics), Dr SK Chung (HKU's Institute of Molecular Biology), Prof J. Wang, Dr. H. Xue (HKUST) and 7 co-investigators from the Faculty of CUHK, HKUST and The Children's Medical Research Institute, Australia. In the project they will produce genetically altered mice to study the roles of several genes involved in leukaemia and in the development of the skeleton and brain. They will use the latest transgenic technology to inactivate these genes, either in specific tissues of a mouse, or at defined time points in its life, and they will cooperate in the analysis of the resulting mouse mutants. By this approach, better insight into the function of genes and mechanisms of disease can be gained. Through this joint effort, a multidisciplinary, competitive and productive research team of a critical size will be built in order to make an impact on this important research area, currently at the fore-front of the molecular life sciences.

Induction Ceremonies of Ivy Wu and Cheng Yu Tung Fellowship

Reception for the Lady Ivy Wu Fellowship 1998/99

The Mrs Ivy Wu Fellowship Foundation normally provides for up to fifteen Fellowships, to enable academic staff from the medical institutions in PR China to study for six-month periods in preclinical or clinical departments of the Faculty of Medicine at the University of Hong Kong. The first intake was in 1994/95.

The fifth batch of Fellows for 98/99 have been selected and a reception was held at the School of Postgraduate Medical Education and Training (SPMET) on 20th November, 1998. Attending this occasion were Lady Ivy Wu, Dr and Mrs Clyde Wu, representatives of the Xinhua News Agency, the Dean, Faculty teaching staff, new Fellows and past Fellows who are currently Mphil and PhD candidates. Addresses were given by Professor Grace WK Tang (the Dean), Professor John CY Leong (Director, SPMET), Dr Clyde Wu (representing the Mrs Ivy Wu Fellowship Foundation), Professor Chu Zhihong (Head of Department of Education, Sciences and Technology, Xinhua News Agency) and Dr SL Ho (Department of Medicine). Five present and past Fellows also made their addresses.

Reception for the Dr Cheng Yu Tung Fellows of 1998/99

The Dr Cheng Yu Tung Fellowship Foundation annually provides for four different categories of scholars, selected from medical institutions in PR China, to visit clinical & preclinical departments of the Medical Faculty of the University of Hong Kong for 8 weeks to 12 months.

The first intake in 1998/99 included two Visiting Professors, two Visiting Fellows, five Research Assistants and five Research Fellows. A reception was held for them at the SPMET on 7th December 1998. Attending the function were Dr Cheng Yu Tung, Dr YK Sun (representing the Cheng Yu Tung Fellowship Foundation), Mr Cui Ning and Mr Li Ling of the Xinhua News Agency, Professor YS Chan, the Associate Dean, Faculty teaching staff and the new Fellows.
Recent Events

The Postgraduate Symposium 1998

On December 16, 1998, ninety-seven Doctor of Philosophy (PhD) and Master of Philosophy (MPhil) candidates took part in this annual symposium for research postgraduate (RPG) students to present their research projects before specialist panels and peers. Not only was it a valuable and educational experience for RPG candidates, participation in the Symposium could also be counted towards fulfilling the requirement for seminar presentation under the Faculty’s RPG progress monitoring scheme.

Hearty congratulations to the following winners of the Certificate of Merit on best presentations:

Cancer
CHAN Tsung Leung, Chris (PhD, Pathology)
CHOW Wing Han, Vivian (MPhil, Surgery)

Cardiovascular System:
BIAN Jin Song (PhD, Physiology)

Community Medicine and Management:
HO Sai Yin, Daniel (PhD, Community Medicine)

Endocrinology and Reproduction:
XI Si Chuan (PhD, Physiology)

Molecular Biology:
HO Tsun Bond Horace (MPhil, Institute of Molecular Biology)
Jiang Zhi Rong (PhD, Institute of Molecular Biology)

Nutrition, Growth and Gastrointestinal System:
GUO Yin (PhD, Pharmacology)

Renal System:
LYNN Edward G (PhD, Pharmacology)

Respiratory System:
CHAN Chi Hang (PhD, Biochemistry)

Traditional Chinese Medicine:
CHEUNG, Filly (MPhil, Pharmacology)

Reader who wish to obtain a copy die abstract of the event can contact: Mr Wilson Chart, Tel: 2819 9219 Fax: 2818 4913, E-mail: wwschan@hkcc.hku.hk.

Visit of the Harvard Team

Professor Gordon T Moore, Professor of Ambulatory Care and Prevention, Harvard Medical School, Professor Orah S Platt, Professor of Paediatrics, Harvard Medical School and Professor Vic Neufeld, Professor Emeritus of Medicine and Epidemiology, McMaster University visited the Faculty of Medicine on February 23 - 25, 1999. During their visit, workshops on the clinical curriculum and monitoring and evaluation had been organized. The Dean, Associate Deans, all Heads of Departments, Academic Advisor as well as core members of the Undergraduate Education Committee were invited to attend. We exchanged our views and experience on the medical reform with the Harvard team who in turn gave us valuable insights on the new clinical curriculum and the long-term evaluation and monitoring of our medical students and graduates.

Besides the workshops, a seminar on “Medical Education in Hong Kong: Opportunities and Challenges” was held on February 25, 1999 at Wang Guangwu Lecture Hall, Graduate House. The seminar consisted of two parts. The first part was a review of the progress that the Faculty of Medicine had made in reforming the medical curriculum, with special emphasis on the opportunities that had nurtured its development and the challenges that were facing us ahead. In the second part of the seminar, Professor M oore, Professor Platt and Professor N eufeld talked about monitoring and evaluation of the curriculum and teaching quality assurance. The Vice Chancellor, Pro-Vice Chancellor, honorable guests from the Hospital Authority, HK Medical Association and Department of Health as well as our Faculty members and medical students attended the seminar and shared their views on medical education in Hong Kong.

The Second Meeting of International Research Programme on Traditional Chinese and Herbal Medicine.

The meeting was successfully held in Beijing on March 12 -14, 1999. It was opened by Professor Ba De-nian, President of National Academy of Medical Sciences, attended by 42 participants and closed by Professor
Recent Events

Zhu Qing-sheng, Deputy Minister of the Ministry of Public Health and Director of State Administration of TCM.

Supported by the Vice-Chancellor, this programme was officially established in the First Meeting held in Hong Kong in September, 1998 and consists of three parts which are basic research, clinical studies and technology transfer. Its objective is to demonstrate the pharmacological and functional importance of extracts containing mixtures of chemicals as compared to individual active chemicals.

At this meeting, the preliminary findings presented were in full support of the objective of the programme. The technology transfer part of the programme was also described to explain how products could actually be developed from basic and clinical research, manufactured and put into worldwide market.

New Medical Complex Update

The Site Formation, Foundation and Pile Caps Contract works for the New Medical Complex, commenced in July 1997, is generally on schedule. The slope formation works along both Victoria Road and Sassoon Road were in good progress; and as part of a comprehensive landscaping scheme, seven trees have been transplanted. By the end of March 1999, all of the bored piles were completed. Construction of pile caps will follow, and the contract is anticipated to complete on time by early July 1999.

Tenders for the main building contract were received in mid March 1999. The project team is pleased to report that the tenders are within budget. The technical and financial aspects of the tenders are being examined by the consultants. A tender report will be submitted to the University Grants Committee for consideration. The main building contract will start in July 1999 as scheduled, after completion of the foundation works.

Hello & Goodbye

Welcome to the Faculty!!

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Alumni Update

Medic Class ’88 Reunion

The University of Hong Kong Medical Alumni Association Limited (HKUMAA) has been incorporated under the Companies Ordinance (Chapter 32) with registration number 668106 on February 26, 1999.

The subscribers and their appointed first Executive Committee members are as follows:

Professor Rosie TT Young (President & Subscriber)
Professor CHAN Tai-kwong (Vice-President & Subscriber)
Dr Chin Shin-Chak (Vice-President & Subscriber)
Dr Gerald H Cho(a subscriber)
Professor Chow Shew-ling (Executive Committee Member & Subscriber)
Dr David Fang (Executive Committee Member & Subscriber)
Professor Sir Harry SY Fang (Subscriber)
Dr Peter CY Lee (Subscriber)
Dr Lee Kin-hung (Executive Committee Member & Subscriber)
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Professor Leung Ping-chung (subscriber)
Dr Steve MC Li (Subscriber)
Dr Donald KT Li (Honorary Treasurer & Subscriber)
Dr Li SATO (Subscriber)
Dr Clarence KC Loong (Subscriber)
Professor Ma Chung Ho-kei (Subscriber)
Dr Michael HH Mak (Executive Committee Member & Subscriber)
Professor Grace WK Tang (Ex-officio & Subscriber)
Professor Sir David Todd (Subscriber)
Professor Rosamond LC Wong (Executive committee, member & Subscriber)
Dr Raymond WY Wu (Executive Committee Member & Subscriber)

Two Executive Committee meetings were held to discuss membership drive and major directions of the Association. The graduate/staff membership fees as resolved for annual subscription is HK$500 and life membership is HK$5,000 with an entrance fee of HK$1,000. A special offer has been announced that for any alumni joining the Association before August 20, 1999, the entrance fee for both categories of memberships shall be waived.

The Association also plans to introduce the following activities in the future:

- Hotline advice for clinical management
- Regular meetings to discuss topics of mutual interests
- Interactive linkage with the Faculty
  (i) graduates forming advisory groups for the Faculty
  (ii) providing opportunities for medical graduates to return to the teaching hospital for continuing medical education
  (iii) interaction between teachers of the Faculty and all alumni in practice
- Discussions on medical issues for strategic advice on government policies
- On-line electronic medical literature search
- Planning of the Alumni Floor in the New Medical Complex for exclusive use by Association Members

Subcommittees will be formalized in the near future on development and general affairs, membership drive, finance, event organization, Alumni Floor and homepage. If any members are interested in contributing towards any of the mentioned areas, please write to the Honorary Secretary, Prof MP Leung c/o Miss Diana Liu at fax:2974 0678 or email: dmwliu@hkucc.hku.hk.

As of April 8, 1999, 205 applications have been received. Some members who applied early have been invited by the Dean to attend the New Medical
Complex Ground Breaking Ceremony cum The Hong Kong Jockey Club Foundation Stone Laying Ceremony held on April 13, 1999.

Graduates who have not received the invitation letter by the President with the application form please inform Miss Diana Liu by phone at 2819 5505 or fax at 2974 0678. If you have received them, please send in your completed application form along with a crossed cheque payable to "The University of Hong Kong Medical Alumni Association Limited". The Association needs your support.

A special note of thanks to class ’88 for their kind donation of HK$18,500 to support the HKUMAA.

Through the initiative of our Dean and the Chairman of the HKUMAA, Professor Young, the Victorian Chapter, Australia of the HKUMAA was formed recently. Their leader, Dr Gordon Low, and his wife visited Hong Kong and were welcomed by Professor Young and Executive Committee Members. Possible collaborative activities between the two associations were discussed. HKUMAA/Faculty members would be welcomed to give lectures while visiting Victoria, Australia. If you are interested to meet the member of the Victorian Chapter, please contact Miss Diana Liu of the Faculty Office.

### Forthcoming Events

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### Our Views

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