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PROFESSOR DAVID WONG'S VALEDICTORY  
INSIGHT ON VISION

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### CLINICAL SERVICES EXPANDED TO NURTURE TOMORROW'S TALENT

**T**he Medical Faculty has expanded its clinical services across public and private sector hospitals in Hong Kong and Shenzhen to provide facilities that can support its primary missions – training tomorrow's healthcare professionals and facilitating the discovery of new knowledge.

With the increasing number of students in our Medicine, Nursing, Pharmacy and Chinese Medicine programmes, it has been necessary to increase opportunities for them to have sufficient patient contact. We have also seen changes in the pattern of delivery of healthcare as patients with more acute and complex illnesses are managed in public hospitals while others are treated more commonly in the private sector. This has prompted the Faculty to provide more diversified clinical experience to our students.

The Faculty's previous leadership had the foresight to expand clinical services outside the confines of local public hospitals. Thus under my portfolio as Associate Dean in Clinical Affairs, clinical services now cover public hospitals, the private sector as well as the HKU-Shenzhen Hospital.

In the public sector, Queen Mary Hospital, our flagship teaching hospital, is undergoing a major redevelopment. We have liaised well with the Hospital Authority to ensure the smooth relocation of the Departments of Pathology and Microbiology to the Senior Staff Quarters. Our professoriate staff will also take an active role in implementing the clinical service plans of the future "new" Queen Mary Hospital. We also collaborate with the Hospital Authority in other clinical projects, such as redevelopment of Grantham Hospital that will transform it into a modern clinical and research institute.

Under the leadership of **Dr C H Leong** (梁智鴻) and **Professor Grace Tang** (鄧惠瓊), the HKU-Shenzhen Hospital began operating in 2012, with the aim to introduce the Hong Kong system of healthcare delivery to the Mainland. About half of the 2000 beds are now open and the hospital receives patients with a wide spectrum of illnesses, some not commonly seen in Hong Kong. This provides a golden opportunity for the training of our students and also to expand our research.

In the private sector, teaching and training in the Hong Kong Sanatorium and Hospital (HKSH) began about 20 years ago. Currently, there are several accredited training programmes in HKSH. To build on our long-standing collaboration, an HKU Clinical Academic Unit was formally opened in HKSH in 2014. The Faculty has also embarked on an innovative project to provide clinical governance for Gleneagles Hong Kong Hospital (GHK), which will begin operating in 2017. In the new hospital we will deliver clinical services that are both high quality and affordable for Hong Kong citizens.

With the wide coverage of clinical services in public hospitals, the private sector and on the Mainland, the Faculty has set up the HKU Health System to coordinate the services and to provide strong clinical governance in all these healthcare facilities. This is certainly a challenging task but I think that healthcare professionals today should have diversified clinical experiences in order to broaden their horizons and prepare them for their future practice.

**Professor Law Wai-lun** (羅偉倫)  
Associate Dean (Clinical Affairs)





# GROWING WITH THE TIMES



HKU HEALTH SYSTEM  
香港大學醫療系統

*Patients are spending less time in hospitals and at the same time hospital systems are becoming more diverse. To ensure our clinical education and research are one step ahead of these trends, the Faculty is expanding the types of clinical environments in which we operate and implementing an umbrella clinical governance infrastructure, the HKU Health System, which will uphold uniformly high quality and standards for patients, students and staff, wherever we are.*



The popular view of medical education goes like this: medical students gain their first clinical experience at the elbow of their professors and senior doctors as they patrol the wards and stop by beds to let students see, touch and listen to patients. Students also observe how doctors handle patients before, during and after treatment, and in the process gain a valuable holistic picture of patient care. This image is conveyed in many television and film programmes, and in the expectations of the general public. Today that model is taking place in more and more diverse settings in Hong Kong and across the border in the mainland.

Doctors-to-be who are admitted to study today will in future be tending to patients not only in local public hospitals as the broader practice environment has begun to undergo some major metamorphoses. Many of these settings are outside the traditional bounds of the Faculty, which has been mostly based for decades at the publicly-funded Queen Mary Hospital.

Moreover, the types of cases seen at Queen Mary Hospital are increasingly concentrated in acute care and the management of complex diseases. Common elective cases are much more likely to be seen in the private sector – which means students have fewer opportunities to gain first-hand experience of them. Of course the practice setting in the private sector is very different to that in public hospitals. Added to this is the growing intake of new medical students, now 210 and counting that is up from a nadir of 125 barely a decade ago, which makes the need for additional space not just a qualitative issue but a quantitative one.

The Associate Dean for Clinical Affairs, **Professor Law Wai-lun** (羅偉倫), explained the situation from the Surgical Skills Centre – a simulation lab that itself was opened to address the learning and training of surgical skills for students and young doctors.

“As a university, we hope to diversify our service centres because just concentrating ourselves in a public hospital does not give sufficient exposure to students and trainees,” he said. “For some diseases, the patient goes into the hospital and has the operation before being seen by students. We also find that clinical services are very different in different settings. We think that diversifying will provide young doctors and students with a broader view of healthcare.” Research will also benefit because with more teaching venues, there are more diseases that can be studied.

### TRIPLING THE OPPORTUNITIES

That diversification is now underway. Between 2012 and 2017, the number of beds at the Faculty’s teaching affiliates will have more than doubled, from 1,700 to over 4,000. The biggest bump is coming from the HKU-Shenzhen Hospital, which opened in 2012 and is gradually expanding to fill more than 2,000 beds. This project also represents an opportunity to introduce a new hospital management approach in mainland China and access diseases rarely seen in Hong Kong.

Here in Hong Kong, the 500-bed Gleneagles Hong Kong Hospital (GHK) will open in 2017, a partnership with a global consortium of two private operators in which the Faculty will be responsible for the management and governance of clinical affairs. As with the HKU-Shenzhen Hospital, GHK will provide plenty of teaching and research possibilities.

These venues will be in addition to the 1,700 beds at Queen Mary Hospital and the long-standing partnership agreement with the Hong Kong Sanatorium & Hospital (HKSH) for students to train there.



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*- Professor Joseph Lui*

While the expansion of clinical services is an exciting and much needed development, it is also a very complicated task. Working conditions and remuneration need to be harmonised, and clinical departments must try to implement their clinical management systems across quite different hospital settings. Professor Law is leading the transition with **Professor Joseph Lui Cho-ze** (雷操爽), who is Clinical Director of the new "HKU Health System" that will manage all the different strands of the Faculty's clinical services.

"Definitely this is challenging because we're talking about the public sector and private sector, as well as mainland China," Professor Law said. "But by embarking on all these projects, we can have more resources to expand the number of our staff, who will be employed not just to provide clinical service but importantly to focus on our core twinned mission of teaching and research, too."

### STICKING TO OUR CORE BUSINESS

One thing distinguishes HKU Health System: HKU will be responsible for clinical governance but not own any of the hospitals it partners with. This is a deliberate choice. For years there has been debate about whether the Faculty should own a hospital and get involved on the financial side – that is, take on the associated risk burden directly – or leave that to other professionals and focus solely on ensuring top quality clinical care. The answer is obvious.

"Running a hospital is not our core business, so why should we own one?" Professor Law said. "Our expertise is in teaching, research and providing superlative clinical services. Some people may challenge us by saying we cannot have so-called 'full control' of the hospital, but as a medical school we would rather devote our efforts to clinical governance than be a major shareholder in a private enterprise."

There are good examples of other universities that have followed a similar path, starting with Harvard University which also provides clinical services at various hospitals to support teaching and research. HKU Health System is guided by the Harvard model in aiming to establish a clinical governance system that can apply across all of our hospital settings.

Professor Joseph Lui, who is implementing the nuts and bolts of HKU Health System, has deep experience in clinical governance. Just before joining HKU Health System, he was Hospital Chief Executive of United Christian Hospital and Cluster Chief Executive of the Hospital Authority's Kowloon East Cluster, as well as co-ordinator of risk management for the Kowloon West Cluster.

"The challenge will be not only how to make a system that can accommodate both university staff and outside practitioners, but one that is workable in the private sector and can translate across all four HKU teaching hospital settings. We will have a big family of partner teaching institutions and people will be free to move around," he said.

While connecting up these services is the big goal, his immediate priority is to get GHK up and running. He faces a tight deadline of 2017 and a brief to work within a system that will be new not only to HKU but to Hong Kong.





## THE HKU-SHENZHEN HOSPITAL

The HKU-Shenzhen Hospital is a deeply meaningful experiment to contribute to mainland China's healthcare reform by bringing HKU's clinical governance practices to a mainland hospital. It has not been without hiccups – the intake of patients in the first year was lower than expected and doctors and patients initially were wary about practices new to the mainland, such as paying a flat upfront fee for consultations and drugs, requiring patients to make appointments, conducting treatment through teams, and banning red packets and surcharges.

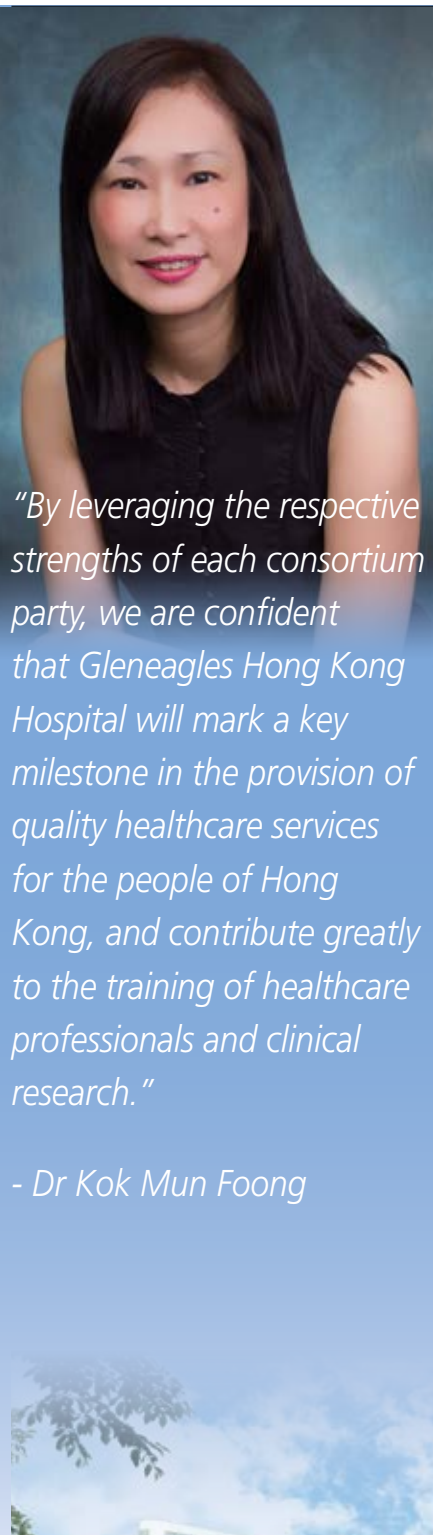
But the hospital's Chief Executive, **Professor Grace Tang Wai-king** (鄧惠瓊), who was a former Dean of the Faculty, said these issues were being resolved and the Faculty's leap of faith was starting to pay off.

"We have doctors and nurses coming from all over China to work here. You can imagine the time they need to spend to understand each other, the time I need to spend to make them understand what they are in for, what they should be doing," she said. "But we are really moving fast and people in the field say it has never happened that a hospital opened for 18 months can reach the kind of service level and quality that we have achieved."

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*- Dr Kok Mun Foong*

"Students coming up here are very positive, they like it. And there are doctors who are coming up from Hong Kong who are very experienced and have a sense of mission. They want to help, they think this is a very worthwhile project."

The HKU-Shenzhen Hospital also benefits research. Hospital-based staff and hospital departments have received funding support through donations and China's research funding bodies, and a dedicated research building is expected to open on the hospital compound within two to three years.

### THE GLENEAGLES HONG KONG HOSPITAL

Gleneagles Hong Kong Hospital (GHK) is the first private hospital in Hong Kong to become a full-fledged academic medical centre. Parkway Pantai of Singapore, which operates some forty hospitals in Singapore, Malaysia, Turkey and mainland China, and NWS Holdings of Hong Kong are the major shareholders of the new hospital. "By leveraging the respective strengths of each consortium party, we are confident that GHK will mark a key milestone in the provision of quality healthcare services for the people of Hong Kong, and contribute greatly to the training of healthcare professionals and clinical research." **Dr Kok Mun Foong** (郭文鳳), Chief Executive Officer of the GHK said.

The Faculty will oversee clinical governance: it will chair the medical board and all sub-committees relating to clinical affairs, and set up a system of accountability to ensure consistently high quality of care. It will also credential all doctors who work in the hospital, including both HKU academics and private visiting doctors.

"My first main task will be to support **Professor Karen Lam** (林小玲), Chairperson of the Medical Board of GHK, to implement a credentialing process that is both workable and transparent," Professor Lui said. "Bear in mind, an effective credentialing system that ensures clinical privileges are granted according to professional competencies is one of the main pillars of clinical governance ensuring patient safety."

Funding will be made available to HKU to provide its own clinical manpower to serve at GHK, and students in medicine, nursing and other health professions will have the opportunity to spend part of their training there.





GHK will also pioneer package-type charges so patients have a clear idea of how much they will pay, before they enter the hospital. This is relatively new to Hong Kong. "Citizens are always complaining of highly variable and unpredictable expenses in the private sector and at the same time the government is trying to promote a voluntary health insurance scheme. We hope we can develop a model package that provides private medical services for the middle class that are reasonably and affordably priced," Professor Law said.

## THE VALUE OF EXISTING SERVICES

These new projects are the major focus of the Faculty's time and effort at the moment, but ongoing services at Queen Mary Hospital and the HKSH will also continue to develop.

Queen Mary Hospital deals with the most complicated cases, which makes the best use of the Faculty's academics and also provides rich learning opportunities for students. "Over the years, the Faculty and Queen Mary Hospital have fostered a close partnership. The synergy so generated has enabled us to assume a key role in serving as a cradle for the development of doctors and other health care professionals in the territory," said **Dr Luk Che-chung** (陸志聰) Hospital Chief Executive, Queen Mary Hospital.

HKSH has been providing students with private sector exposure since 1998. Senior medical students spend time at the hospital and receive one-on-one mentoring by experienced doctors there, in a programme developed under the guidance of the Faculty's Clinical Academic Unit based at the hospital.

The Clinical Academic Unit also supports other academic and professional activities such as the training of medical doctors and clinical and basic research. Residents undertake rotations at the Unit in areas where HKSH has been recognised as a training centre by the relevant Colleges of the Hong Kong Academy of Medicine.

The Faculty's benefit from this relationship is obvious – an opportunity to train students and specialists in a private sector setting. For the HKSH itself, these arrangements are helping to advance its ambitions of developing into a leading private centre, according to Deputy Medical Superintendent and alumnus **Dr Joseph Chan Woon-tong** (陳煥堂). "Our first medical superintendent was Dr Li Shu-fan (who graduated from the Faculty in 1908 and was a major benefactor to HKU). He visited the Mayo Clinic in the US and hoped one day we would become a Mayo Clinic in Hong Kong. So we have a vision that includes teaching, training and research, otherwise we would be like any other private hospital."

## IT ALL COMES DOWN TO ONE THING


Pulling all of these diverse parts of HKU Health System together will depend on one thing, said Professor Lui: people. He offers the final word on how the Faculty can make a success of its diverse range of clinical services, and maintain its standards across different settings whether public, private, Hong Kong or mainland China.

"I've been doing risk management for more than 10 years now and one thing I find is that a top-down approach never works. You have to get practitioners on your side.

A portrait of Dr Luk Che-chung, a middle-aged man with dark hair and glasses, wearing a dark suit, light blue shirt, and a striped tie. He is smiling and standing in front of a building with large windows.

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You may be able to force them to do things at times, but you never get to their hearts that way. It is the Faculty's responsibility to provide a robust clinical governance framework to ensure clear clinical accountability but it is still up to the individual academics and clinicians to make sure all the clinical risks are properly managed. In short, ownership by the academics and clinicians is most important."

"Academics and doctors like freedom. In risk management, you have to ask them to follow protocols and they feel you are setting boundaries. But that's not what I'm trying to do. I'm trying to facilitate them to do their work in a more effective, minimal-risk manner."

"I want them to know I'm their partner and I want to work with them and find out what their concerns are. Governance is not something to stop them making new discoveries, it's to facilitate them to move faster, better, more effectively. At the end of the day, we all want Li Ka Shing Faculty of Medicine to be in a stronger position to do better research and teaching and training."

## REFORM AND INNOVATION AT HKU-SHENZHEN HOSPITAL

On July 1, 2012, the HKU-Shenzhen Hospital began its mission of healthcare reform under a 10-year agreement of collaboration between The University of Hong Kong and the Shenzhen Government. Shenzhen is one of 16 cities in China implementing national policy changes to their healthcare system.

Under the collaboration, the HKU-Shenzhen Hospital has initiated a number of clinical service reforms, such as an appointment system for consultations; a team approach to consultations; the establishment of a Patient Relations Office; the purchase of medical indemnity insurance; primary care before specialty care; the abolition of out-patient intravenous infusion; the triage system in the Accident & Emergency Department; a package fee for primary care consultation; and an increased consultation fee for specialty consultations.

Apart from the growing volume of patients seen, clinical teams at the Hospital have also successfully managed patients who previously experienced

great difficulty in being treated. For example, a 20-year-old woman with cerebral palsy had only crawled and never walked. She was given a number of orthopedics procedures (corrective femoral osteotomy, bilateral hip adductor release, bilateral hamstring release and bilateral gastronemius recession) and physiotherapy, and she is now learning to walk. The world's second case of EBV-associated Hemophagocytic Syndrome and the fourth case of Mycobacterium Hemophilum were also diagnosed in the Hospital.

On the research front, grants were obtained from Shenzhen City for two laboratories on Reproductive Medicine and Immunology, and a donation of HK\$10 million was obtained from the New World Charitable Foundation. Of great encouragement, RMB10 million was granted under the national "2011 Project" for work on infectious diseases and liver transplants under **Professors K Y Yuen** (袁國勇) and **C M Lo** (盧寵茂), respectively. Staff have also obtained

total research funding of another RMB10 million for 27 projects. It is also worth noting that a proposal to establish a Research Institute within the Hospital has been supported.

The HKU-Shenzhen Hospital is a golden opportunity for providing clinical service, teaching and research to advance healthcare in Mainland China. To excel, these three areas must go hand in hand and be synergistic. There will be more challenges ahead, but at the same time there will also be greater growth and more opportunities in teaching/training and research for HKU.

**Professor Grace Tang,**  
Hospital Chief Executive







**Professor David Wong Sai-hung** (黃世雄), former Associate Dean (Human Capital) of the Faculty, shared his vision for the future - the hope for the blind that lies in new technologies, from cell regeneration to artificial vision. Professor Wong, who was also foundation chair and head of Ophthalmology, delivered his insightful valedictory lecture "But Now I See" on May 28, 2015. Around 250 guests, colleagues, students and friends attended to celebrate his achievements and bid him a fond farewell following his retirement from HKU.



The Dean, **Professor Gabriel M Leung** (梁卓偉), recalled Professor Wong's many contributions to the Faculty, as well as his resilience and generosity. "He has a special knack about him that makes one feel not only genuine empathy but true camaraderie. He feels your pain, shares your joy and generally knows exactly what you are going through, whatever the circumstances," Professor Leung said.



Professor Wong has returned to his *alma mater*, Liverpool, and looks forward to spending more time with his twin daughters, Wendy and Grace. We wish him all the best in his future endeavours.

**Professor Anskar Leung Yu-hung** (梁如鴻), Li Shu Fan Medical Foundation Professor in Haematology of the Department of Medicine, has succeeded Professor Wong as the Associate Dean (Human Capital).



The full version of the Dean's speech can be accessed at  
<http://www.med.hku.hk/v1/about-the-faculty/dean/dean-speeches/speech-2015>



## MBBS STUDENTS EXPERIENCE CHINA'S HEALTH SYSTEM IN HKU-SHENZHEN HOSPITAL



The HKU-Shenzhen Hospital has opened new opportunities for MBBS students to gain clinical experience as well as learn about the health system on the mainland.

Throughout April, groups of third-year students on the six-year programme participated in one-day clinical attachments at the hospital – their first official hospital visit as medical students.

A key aim of the programme is to help students appreciate how differences in health systems shape patient expectations, care and the patterns of presentation. It also prepares them for hospital attachments in Hong Kong.

Students were introduced to the mainland health system in a lecture at the beginning of the elective semester. They travelled in groups of 30 to 40 for the attachments, led by teachers from both the Faculty and the hospital.

In Shenzhen, they were split into groups, spending half a day on a tour of the hospital, and the other in shadowing doctors.



During the tour, they gained valuable insights into the physical environment of the hospital, the breadth of medicine practised there, and the interdependency of different departments in delivering patient care. For example, visits to laboratories and departments, including Biochemistry, Haematology, Clinical Microbiology, Anatomical Pathology and Diagnostic Radiology, enabled participants to learn more about the use of medical diagnostic equipment and the generation of laboratory test results.

Students shadowed clinicians from the departments of Internal Medicine, Surgery, Obstetrics and Gynaecology, Paediatrics, Orthopaedics and Traumatology, General Practice and Clinical Oncology. During outpatient clinics, they observed doctor-patient interactions and performed some clinical examinations.

The visits were well received. Some students were so inspired that they took the initiative to arrange for further experience at the hospital through summer attachments.





### HONG KONG PATHOLOGY FORUM 2015

Pathology professionals and other medical community members exchanged cutting edge knowledge and developments at the Hong Kong Pathology Forum 2015 held at the Hong Kong Convention and Exhibition Centre on February 6 and 7, 2015. The event had a strong focus on clinical and treatment perspectives on a range of topics, including upper gastrointestinal and hepatobiliary diseases, forensic science, toxicology, hematolymphoid pathology, renal pathology and advanced technology.

**Professor Yasuni Nakanuma** from Kanazawa University Graduate School of Medicine, Japan, delivered the Hou Pao-Chang Medical Memorial Fund Lecture, while **Professor Brian Rubin** from Cleveland Clinic, USA, delivered the James Gibson Lecture. **Dr Kristopher Cunningham** from the Ontario Ministry of Community Safety and Correctional Services, Canada, also delivered a lecture on modern forensic pathology. **Dr Ko Wing-man** (高永文), Secretary for Food and Health of the Hong Kong SAR Government, and **Professor Peter Mathieson**, President and Vice-Chancellor of HKU, delivered the opening addresses. Around 200 delegates, including pathologists, physicians and allied health professionals, attended the Forum.



FEBRUARY 6 - 7, 2015

### BODY DONATION DAY 2015 - DEATH CAFÉ

March 3 has been designated by the Faculty as the annual Body Donation Day. This year, medical students and teachers gathered in the "Death Café" for group discussions on the topic of death. The event, which had no fixed agenda, was designed to provide students and teachers opportunities to share their different perspectives on life and death issues in a warm and relaxed atmosphere. While sharing pizzas, the participants contemplated the meaning of death, which brought them to a deeper understanding of life and to reflect how they can make the most of their own.



MARCH 3, 2015



### 10TH INTERNATIONAL SYMPOSIUM ON HEALTHY AGING

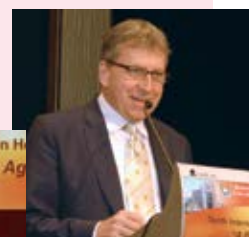
The Research Centre of Heart, Brain, Hormone and Healthy Aging held its 10th International Symposium on Healthy Aging with the theme "A Decade of Positive Aging" on March 7 and 8, 2015. Twenty-five renowned local and overseas speakers presented their latest findings on healthy aging.

Four Young Investigator Awards were presented to **Mr Lam Chun-Sing** (林振聲), Department of Physiology; **Dr Tsui Yat-ping** (徐軼冰), Department of Physiology; **Miss Chen Jing** (陳靜), Department of Pharmacology and Pharmacy, and **Miss Shu Lingling** (束玲玲), Department of Medicine. Four Outstanding Poster Abstract Prizes were presented to **Miss Huang Zhe** (黃哲), Department of Medicine; **Miss Kwan Pui-yi** (關佩宜), Department of Biochemistry; **Mr Lam Shek-fung** (林錫峰), Department of Physiology, and **Mr Tung Wing-tai** (董永泰), Department of Biochemistry.

The event attracted over 550 participants from local and overseas institutions.



**Dr Fung Man-lung** (馮文龍) (Right) of the School of Biomedical Sciences presented the prize to **Mr Tung Wing-tai** (董永泰) (Left).



MARCH 7 - 8, 2015



### FACULTY VISIT IN PEKING UNION MEDICAL COLLEGE HOSPITAL

A delegation comprised of **Professor Gabriel M Leung** (梁卓偉), the Dean; **Professor Law Wai-lun** (羅偉倫), Associate Dean (Clinical Affairs); **Professor Lam Siu-ling** (林小玲), Head of the Department of Medicine; **Professor Patrick Woo Chiu-yat** (胡釗逸), Head of the Department of Microbiology; **Professor Hextan Ngan Yuen-sheung** (顏婉嫦), Head of the Department of Obstetrics and Gynaecology; **Professor Cheung Yiu-fai** (張耀輝) of the Department of Paediatrics and Adolescent Medicine, and **Dr Maria Wong Pik** (王碧) of the Department of Pathology, visited the Peking Union Medical College on March 11, 2015. The group was warmly welcomed by the Hospital President **Professor Zhao Yupei** (趙玉沛) and other representatives. Together, they explored future collaboration for the training of students, clinical staff and administrators.

MARCH 11, 2015



## DEDICATION CEREMONIES FOR BRYAN LIN PROFESSORSHIP IN PAEDIATRIC CARDIOLOGY AND LO SHIU KWAN KAN PO LING PROFESSORSHIP IN PHARMACY

The Faculty received new pledges of support for the disciplines of Paediatric Cardiology and Pharmacy through the Endowed Professorship Scheme. Dedication Ceremonies were held in honour of the generous donations from **Mr Bryan Lin Xiaohui** (林曉輝) and **Mr Lo Shiu-kwan** (羅肇群) and their families for their support of the respective disciplines.

The ceremony for the **Bryan Lin Professorship in Paediatric Cardiology** (林曉輝基金教授席(兒童心臟科)) was held on January 9, 2015, at the Faculty's Alumni Chamber, while the ceremony for the **Lo Shiu Kwan Kan Po Ling Professorship in Pharmacy** (羅肇群簡寶玲基金教授席(藥劑學)) was held on April 1, 2015, at the University Lodge.

An "Endowed Professorship" is one of the most significant awards bestowed upon eminent academics of HKU in recognition of their outstanding achievements. The endowments support the scholars' pursuit of academic and research excellence, and reflect their faithful commitment to the promotion of health and well-being of the society.



JANUARY 9 AND APRIL 1, 2015

## SCHOOL OF NURSING'S PRINCIPAL LUNCHEON 2015

Secondary school principals and teachers were introduced to the Bachelor of Nursing (BNurs) programme during a luncheon organised by the School of Nursing on April 16, 2015. **Professor Gabriel M Leung** (梁卓偉), the Dean; **Professor Lau Chak-sing** (劉澤星), Associate Dean (Teaching & Learning); and **Professor Agnes Tiwari Fung-yee** (羅鳳儀), Head of the School; together with team members of the programme exchanged views with their guests on nursing education in Hong Kong.



APRIL 16, 2015



### SCHOOL OF PUBLIC HEALTH PROMOTES WORLD HAND HYGIENE DAY

Staff and students of the School of Public Health joined the Safe Hands 2015 campaign on May 5, 2015 to support the World Hand Hygiene Day and commemorate the 10th anniversary of the World Health Organisation's (WHO) First Global Patient Safety Challenge.

The WHO First Global Patient Safety Challenge: "Clean Care is Safer Care" is part of a global initiative to enhance the awareness of hand hygiene among healthcare workers and to prevent hospital-related infections. The School has been a WHO Collaborating Centre for Infectious Disease Epidemiology and Control since December 10, 2014.



MAY 5, 2015

### 20TH HONG KONG MEDICAL FORUM

The 20th Hong Kong Medical Forum was held from May 16 to 17, 2015 at the Hong Kong Convention and Exhibition Centre. **Professor Sophia Chan** (陳肇始), **Professor Gabriel M Leung** (梁卓偉), **Professor Karen Lam Siu-ling** (林小玲), **Professor Richard Yu Yue-hong** (余宇康) and **Professor Anskar Leung Yu-hung** (梁如鴻) joined the ribbon cutting ceremony to celebrate the 20th anniversary of the event which attracted more than 2,000 participants.

With an impressive line-up of overseas and local experts, the Forum covered a comprehensive range of topics. Renowned speakers included: **Dr Haifa Kathrin Al-Ali** of University of Leipzig, Germany; **Professor Paolo Ascierto** of National Tumor Institute "Fondazione G. Pascale", Italy; **Dr Teresita de Guia** of Philippine Heart Center, Philippines; **Professor Bruce Hendry** of King's College London, UK; **Professor David Isenberg** of University College London, UK; **Dr Tom John** of Olivia Newton-John Cancer Research Institute, Australia; **Professor Liu Zhi-Hong** (劉志紅) of Nanjing University School of Medicine, China; **Dr Peter Paradiso** of Pfizer Vaccines, USA; **Dr Howard Rosen** of University of California, USA; **Professor Alexander So** (蘇啟力) of University Hospital of Lausanne, Switzerland; **Professor Michael Strupp** of University Hospital Munich, Germany; **Dr Han-Chong Toh** of National Cancer Centre Singapore, Singapore; **Professor Luc Van Gaal** of Antwerp University Hospital, Belgium; **Dr Christopher Worsnop** of Austin Hospital, Australia and **Professor Yang Pan-Chyr** (楊泮池) of National Taiwan University, Taiwan.

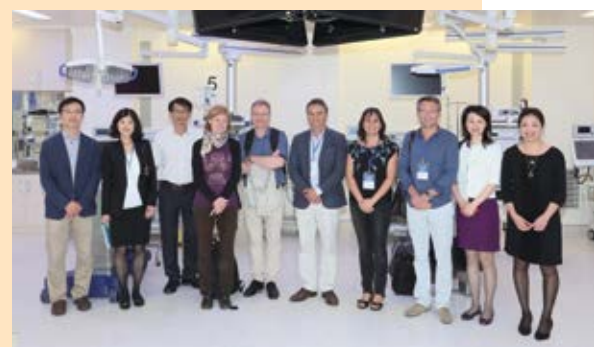


MAY 16 - 17, 2015



## INTERNATIONAL SYMPOSIUM ON TRANSPLANTATION AND CANCER IMMUNOLOGY

The International Symposium of Transplantation and Cancer Immunology was held from May 18 to 20, 2015. The event was organised by the Department of Surgery, and co-organised by the Centre for Cancer Research and Hong Kong Society for Immunology. Seven experts from INSERM UMR 1064-Center for Research in Transplantation and Immunology, University of Nantes, France, and six speakers from HKU in the fields of transplantation, cancer, immunology, virology, and stem cells, delivered talks. The HKU speakers included **Professor Lo Chung-mau** (盧寵茂), **Professor Man Kwan** (萬鈞), **Professor Lu Liwei** (呂力為), **Professor Chen Zhiwei** (陳志偉), **Dr Nikki Lee Pui-yue** (李珮瑜) and **Dr Lian Qizhou** (連祺周). Several young investigators gave oral or poster presentations, some gaining outstanding awards for their work. The symposium successfully promoted collaboration between France and Hong Kong, which includes joint research grant applications and the exchange of research students.



MAY 18 - 20, 2015

## HONG KONG-BEIJING-LUOYANG MEDICAL FORUM

The Hong Kong-Beijing-Luoyang Medical Forum was held in Luoyang, China from June 12 to 13, 2015. The Forum included four plenary lectures and 10 case discussion or concise lecture sessions covering a wide range of topics. It was co-organised by the Department of Medicine in HKU, the Department of Medicine in the Peking University First Hospital, and the Department of Medicine at Luoyang Central Hospital affiliated to the Zhengzhou University. Speakers and chairpersons from HKU included **Professor Karen Lam Siu-ling** (林小玲), **Professor Daniel Chan Tak-mao** (陳德茂), **Professor Patrick Chu** (朱知梅), **Professor Yuen Kwok-yung** (袁國勇), **Dr Katherine Fan Yue-yan** (范瑜茵), **Dr Pearl Pai Ming-chu** (白明珠), **Dr Seto Wai-kay** (司徒偉基) and **Dr Woo Yu-cho** (胡裕初). More than 300 healthcare professionals attended the event with positive feedback.



JUNE 12 - 13, 2015

## NEW DRUG DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME ESTABLISHED IN DEPARTMENT OF MEDICINE

The Department of Medicine established the "Medical Oncology Drug Discovery and Development Program" with the generous donation from The New World Group Charity Foundation. The donation acceptance ceremony was held on June 29, 2015. Conducted by a team of highly-specialised medical oncologists from the department, this programme focuses on drug discovery for malignancies highly prevalent in Hong Kong and Asia, including cancers of the hepatobiliary system, breast, large bowel and stomach, in response to the changes in cancer management from surgery and radiotherapy to drug treatments, particularly targeted therapy. The team is motivated to integrate state-of-the-art medical knowledge in developing new drug treatment of cancers.



JUNE 29, 2015



# EXPERIENCE AND FRIENDSHIP EXCHANGED IN AMSA PROGRAMME

The Asian Medical Students' Association Hong Kong (AMSA) collaborated with its Australian counterpart to organise the annual Asian Medical Students Exchange Programme (AMSEP). Student delegates from the medical faculties of HKU and The Chinese University of Hong Kong took part in academic, social and cultural activities during the week-long programme in Australia in late February. They attended medical classes at The University of Melbourne, joined hospital visits and practicums at the Royal Melbourne Hospital, and toured the city. The programme was an invaluable opportunity for participants to experience life at top medical schools in another Asia-Pacific country and foster international friendships.



## SECONDARY STUDENTS ENJOY A TASTE OF MEDICINE

More than 200 secondary school students attended "MedStart", a two-day taster programme designed by The Asian Medical Student Association Hong Kong (AMSA) to help students develop a better understanding of a medical career and make informed decisions in their university applications.

This year's event was held on March 14 to 15 at the medical faculties of HKU and The Chinese University of Hong Kong. With the support and help of more than 100 current students, the programme featured lectures, dissections and clinical skills sessions, as well as mock tutorials conducted by doctors and professors at both universities.



Medical Outreachers collaborated with Bethune House Migrant Women's Refuge to provide first aid and health education to around 50 domestic helpers. A volunteer reflected, "We grew up in an environment where domestic helpers are caregivers, but we seldom care about their physical and emotional needs. It is our turn to enhance their physical, mental and social health and well-being." The collaboration raised awareness of this situation and assisted domestic helpers in developing knowledge and skills of self-care.



## NURSING STUDENTS BLESSED FOR EXAM SUCCESS

The Nursing Society, Session 2015, Nuriator, organised "Superpass Blessing 2015" to wish fellow students success in their examinations. The event, attended by **Dr Marie Tarrant** (戴美怡) of the School of Nursing, included Chinese calligraphy writing and photo-taking. Students were given a chance to relax and support each other before the examinations.



## MBBS STUDENTS PROMOTE HEALTH AWARENESS

Third-year MBBS students designed and implemented a number of Health Advocacy Projects as part of the Problem-based Public Health module offered by the School of Public Health. They promoted public awareness of Gastroesophageal Reflux Disease (GERD), personal hygiene for disease prevention and the use of Automated External Defibrillators (AED) through district outreach activities held across the city during April 2015.





### PRIME CARE PROMOTES HEALTHIER LIVING FOR THE ELDERLY

Prime Care HKU, a student service group that works with the underprivileged, organised the "Ignite the Love" project for the elderly in Sham Shui Po District in March and April this year. The first event involved a talk on chronic diseases and their prevention, followed by health checks for those attending. In the second event, students visited elderly people who were living alone. They found the service meaningful for improving both the physical and psychological well-being of the elderly people they worked with.



### APPLAUSE

**Mr Chen Yan** (陳炎), PhD candidate, Department of Orthopaedics and Traumatology, received the Young Investigator Award at the Second International Chinese Musculoskeletal Research Society (ICMRS) and American Society for Bone and Mineral Research (ASBMR) Conference.

**Mr Fraser Lewis Anthony**, PhD candidate, Department of Biochemistry (now School of Biomedical Sciences), was awarded Glasgow/HKU Early Career Mobility Funds 2015-16.

**Mr Henry Pang** (彭亨利), Master of Research in Medicine candidate, Department of Orthopaedics and Traumatology, was awarded the BL Wong Scholarship and Yu Chun Keung Memorial Scholarship.



### MEDICAL SOCIETY FIELDS SPORTS CHAMPIONS FOR FOURTH YEAR

The Medical Society won the Olma Challenge Rose Bowl in both men's and women's categories in the annual Inter-Faculty Sports Competition, for the fourth consecutive year. Its teams were victorious in the men's athletics, basketball, soccer, table tennis and tennis competitions; and in women's aquatics, basketball, soccer and volleyball. Prizes were presented by the Sports Association, HKU Student Union, on April 28, 2015.



**Mr Tony Sun** (辛啟成), PhD student, Department of Family Medicine and Primary Care, won the Best Oral Presentation Award at the Hong Kong Primary Care Conference 2015.

**Mr Xu Feng** (徐峰), PhD candidate, Department of Biochemistry (now School of Biomedical Sciences), was awarded the YS and Christabel Lung Postgraduate Scholarship 2014-15.

**Mr Marco Zhenji Van-Boswell** (包振基), MBBS student, was awarded the Hong Kong Jockey Club Scholarship 2013/14 by the Hong Kong Jockey Club Charities Trust.



### NEW CABINET FOR HKUBCMAA

The annual dinner of the HKU Bachelor of Chinese Medicine Alumni Association (HKUBCMAA) was held on May 29, 2015. During the event, a new cabinet was inaugurated, with a mission to continue to enhance the well-being of alumni and



further develop the Association. Honourable guests included **Mr Liu Nongyu** (劉農虞), **Professor Edwin Yu** (余秋良), **Dr Leong Che-hung** (梁智鴻), **Dr Laurence Hou** (侯勵存), **Professor Lao Lixing** (勞力行) and **Professor Sophia Chan** (陳肇始).

### MBBS CLASS 1990 MARKS 25TH ANNIVERSARY

Nearly 100 alumni from MBBS Class 1990 celebrated the 25th anniversary of their graduation with a reunion on May 30, 2015 – one even travelling from Sydney for the occasion. Torrential rain did not dampen their spirits. The alumni enjoyed Italian culinary delights and looked forward to gathering again soon.



### NURSING ALUMNI WALK FOR CHILDREN'S CANCER FOUNDATION



HKU Nursing Alumni Association (HKUNAA) joined the Fundraising Walkathon organised by the School of Nursing and the Children's Cancer Foundation on May 31, 2015 as one of the School's 20th anniversary events. It began with a ceremony on the medical campus followed by the Walkathon from the Peak Galleria. Alumni were delighted to participate in the walk which aimed to raise public awareness of the importance of physical exercise in maintaining good health. Money raised was donated to the Children's Cancer Foundation.





# NEW PUBLIC HEALTH ALUMNI SOCIETY CELEBRATED WITH TALENT SHOW

Alumni, teachers, students and friends celebrated the 15th anniversary of the Master of Public Health (MPH) programme and the inauguration of the HKU Public Health Alumni Society during a dinner organised by the School of Public Health on June 2, 2015. Current MPH students staged a talent show featuring live calligraphy, piano and violin, and duet singing. The growth of the MPH programme was symbolised in a display board, shaped as a tree, where alumni and guests shared their congratulations.



## FRIENDSHIP AND FUN WIN AT THE RACES

The Faculty hosted three tables during the "HKU Reunion at the Races 2015", held at the Jockey Club Box, Sha Tin Racecourse, on June 7. The "HKU Faculties of Medicine and Engineering Handicap" was the seventh race of the day. More than 200 donors, alumni, professors, staff and friends enjoyed a wonderful Sunday afternoon at the races organised by the HKU Foundation and held in conjunction with the HKU Alumni Association Challenge Cup.

## CONGRATULATIONS

### 2015 GOVERNMENT HONOURS

Congratulations to the following alumni who received the HKSAR honours this year:

#### Silver Bauhinia Star (SBS)

**Professor Raymond Liang Hin-suen** (梁憲孫) (MBBS 1979)

#### Bronze Bauhinia Star (BBS)

**Dr David Lee Ka-yan** (李家仁) (MBBS 1976)

#### Medal of Honour (MH)

**Dr Tung Sau-ying** (董秀英) (MBBS 1981)

#### Chief Executive's Commendation For Community Service

**Dr James Chan Chi-sang** (陳志生) (MBBS 1983)

#### Justice of Peace

**Dr Chan Kin-sang** (陳健生) (MBBS 1981)

**Professor Gabriel M Leung** (梁卓偉) (MD 2003)

**Dr Stewart Tung Yuk** (董煜) (MBBS 1981)

**Dr Albert Yuen Wai-cheung** (袁偉昌) (MBBS 1979)



## SHARING CORNER



**Dr Angie Fong** 方瀚芝  
(MBBS 2005) &  
**Dr Euan Soo** 蘇頌良  
(MBBS 2006)



**Ms Ann Bei Wing-yan**  
裴穎欣 (BNurs 2011) &  
**Mr Wong Wai-kwan**  
黃偉坤 (BSc(IM) 2010)



**Ms Kelly Lee Sheung-kei**  
李上琦 (BChinMed 2011) &  
**Mr Ray Kwan Wai-lap**  
關偉立 (MChinMed 2011)



**Ms Tong Silvia Theresa**  
唐麗雅 (BNurs 2003) &  
**Mr Wong Ho-yin** 黃浩然  
(BScChem 2001)



**Ms Cheng Weng-man**  
鄭穎雯 (BNurs 2010) &  
**Mr Herman Wong** 黃曦民  
(BChinMed 2012)



**Dr Thomas Chan Sau-yan**  
陳守仁 (MBBS 2006) &  
**Dr Gloria Hwang Yu-yan**  
黃宇欣 (MBBS 2003)  
with their baby boy  
**Aidan Chan Lok-chi** 陳樂孜

*If you wish to share with us the happy moments in your life or any special experiences (e.g. service projects), please send your news and photos to [prfacmed@hku.hk](mailto:prfacmed@hku.hk).*

## HELLO



**Dr Charles Chang Hing-chiu** (曾慶昭) joined the Department of Diagnostic Radiology as Research Assistant Professor in June 2015. Dr Chang obtained his PhD in biomedical electronics from the National Taiwan University in 2012 and completed his postdoctoral training at the Brain Imaging and Analysis Centre in Duke University Medical Centre in 2015. His research interests include pulse sequence development of fast magnetic resonance imaging technique for diffusion weighted imaging / functional MRI, artifact removal of echo-planar imaging (EPI) and fat quantification using MRI.

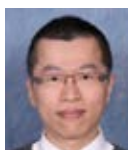


**Dr Keith Chiu Wan-hang** (趙允恒) joined the Department of Diagnostic Radiology as Clinical Assistant Professor in August 2015. Dr Chiu graduated with a BA from University of Cambridge in Biochemistry in 2002 and completed his medical training at Leicester-Warwick Medical School in 2006. He underwent his diagnostic and interventional radiology training in Yorkshire and subsequently worked as a Consultant Radiologist at Hull Royal Infirmary, UK. His research interests include upper gastrointestinal tract and hepatopancreaticobiliary imaging.

**Dr Christian Fang Xinshuo** (方欣碩) joined the Department of Orthopaedics and Traumatology as Clinical Assistant Professor in March 2015.



**Dr Jo Jo Hai Siu-han** (奚小嫻) joined the Department of Medicine as Clinical Assistant Professor in July 2015. Dr Hai graduated from HKU in 2003. After acquiring her fellowship in cardiology, she went to Mayo Clinic to further her training in electrophysiology. Dr Hai's research interests include risk stratification and management of arrhythmias and sudden cardiac arrest.



**Dr Ho Sai-pong** (何世邦) joined the Department of Paediatrics and Adolescent Medicine as Clinical Assistant Professor in July 2015. Dr Ho obtained his PhD in molecular biology at the University of Cologne in Germany and his MBBS degree from HKU. His research interest lies in translational research in skeletal and neurological diseases.



**Dr Kenny Kwan Yat-hong** (關日康) joined the Department of Orthopaedics and Traumatology as Clinical Assistant Professor in March 2015. Dr Kwan obtained his BMBS (Bachelor of Medicine and Bachelor of Surgery) degree from the University of Oxford, in 2002 and received his basic surgical training in London. He returned to Hong Kong and joined Queen Mary Hospital in 2008. After finishing his higher orthopaedic training, he sub-specialised in Spine Surgery. His research interests include spinal deformity, sagittal balance, minimally invasive spine surgery and metastatic spinal cord compression.



**Dr Paul Lee Chi-ho** (李智豪) joined the Department of Medicine as Clinical Assistant Professor in July 2015. He obtained his MBBS degree from HKU in 2006. Dr Lee then received his training in internal medicine, endocrinology and diabetes at Queen Mary Hospital. His research interests include adipokines and other endocrine biomarkers in obesity, diabetes and their complications, the genetics of pheochromocytoma and paraganglioma, and other endocrine disorders.



**Professor Anne Lee Wing-mui** (李詠梅) joined the Department of Clinical Oncology as Clinical Professor and Head in August 2015. Professor Lee is also the Chief of Service for the Centre of Clinical Oncology at the HKU-Shenzhen Hospital, and the Chair of Specialty for Oncology at the Gleneagles Hong Kong Hospital. She is Fellow of the Royal College of Radiologists in Clinical Oncology (UK) and Fellow of the Hong Kong Academy of Medicine, and was conferred Doctor of Medicine by HKU in 2008.

## RETIREMENT

The Faculty would like to thank **Professor Ricky Man Ying-keung** (文英強) of the Department of Pharmacology and Pharmacy, **Professor Gopesh Srivastava** of the Department of Pathology and **Professor Virginia Wong Chun-nei** (黃珍妮) of the Department of Paediatrics and Adolescent Medicine, for their dedication and contributions to the Faculty. We wish them all the best in their future endeavours.

## CONGRATULATIONS

## PROMOTIONS



**Dr Chan Sau-Fong** (陳秀芳), previously Research Assistant Professor of the Department of Medicine, has been appointed as Assistant Professor of the Department of Medicine and Department of Pathology.



**Dr Chan Yiu-che** (陳耀志), previously Clinical Assistant Professor of the Department of Surgery, has been appointed as Clinical Associate Professor.



## CONGRATULATIONS



**Dr Chan Yu-wai** (陳汝威), previously Clinical Assistant Professor of the Department of Surgery, has been appointed as Clinical Associate Professor.



**Dr Benjamin John Cowling** (高本恩), previously Associate Professor of the School of Public Health, has been appointed as Professor.



**Dr Michael Huen Shing-yan** (禰承恩), previously Assistant Professor of the Department of Anatomy, has been appointed as Associate Professor.



**Dr Frankie Leung Ka-li** (梁加利), previously Clinical Associate Professor of the Department of Orthopaedics & Traumatology, has been appointed as Clinical Professor.



**Dr George Leung Pak-heng** (梁柏行), previously Assistant Professor of the Department of Pharmacology and Pharmacy, has been appointed as Associate Professor.



**Dr Li Lei** (李磊), previously Assistant Professor of the School of Chinese Medicine, has been appointed as Associate Professor.



**Dr Henry Mak Ka-fung** (麥嘉豐), previously Clinical Assistant Professor of the Department of Diagnostic Radiology, has been appointed as Clinical Associate Professor.



**Dr Elly Ngan Sau-wai** (顏秀慧), previously Assistant Professor of the Department of Surgery, has been appointed as Associate Professor.



**Dr Tu Wenwei** (涂文偉), previously Associate Professor of the Department of Paediatrics and Adolescent Medicine, has been appointed as Professor.



**Dr Danny Wong Ka-ho** (王嘉豪), previously Research Assistant Professor of the Department of Medicine, has been appointed as Assistant Professor.



**Dr Xia Zhengyuan** (夏正遠), previously Assistant Professor of the Department of Anaesthesiology, has been appointed as Associate Professor.



**Dr Kelvin Yiu Kai-hang** (姚啟恒), previously Clinical Assistant Professor of the Department of Medicine, has been appointed as Clinical Associate Professor.

## ACHIEVEMENTS AND AWARDS

Fifteen academic staff of the Faculty received the Long Service Award from HKU in recognition of their loyal service of more than 15 years. They included **Dr Chan Kwok-wah** (陳國華) of the Department of Pathology, **Dr Mary Agnes Lung Kin-yum** (龍建音) of the Department of Physiology (now School of Biomedical Sciences) and **Professor Grace Tang Wai-king** (鄧惠瓊) of the Department of Obstetrics and Gynaecology who have each served HKU for 35 years, while **Professor Chan Li-chong** (陳立昌) of the Department of Pathology, **Professor Cindy Lam Lo-kuen** (林露娟) of the Department of Family Medicine and Primary Care, **Dr Liu Si** (劉哲) and **Professor William Yeung Shu-biu** (楊樹標) of the Department of Obstetrics and Gynaecology have served the University for 25 years.

**Professor Chow Shew-ping** (周肇平) of the Department of Orthopaedics and Traumatology and **Professor Fan Sheung-tat** (范上達) of the Department of Surgery have been conferred the title of Emeritus Professor by HKU.

**Professor Kenneth Cheung Man-chee** (張文智) of the Department of Orthopaedics and Traumatology has been appointed as President of the Scoliosis Research Society.

**Professor Peter Chiu Kwong-yuen** (曲廣運) of the Department of Orthopaedics and Traumatology has been appointed as President of Hong Kong College of Orthopaedic Surgeons.

**Professor Huang Jiandong** (黃建東) of the Department

of Biochemistry (now School of Biomedical Sciences) has been awarded the Doris Zimmern HKU-Cambridge Hughes Hall Fellowship 2015-16.

**Dr Lee Man-yan** (李敏茵) of the HKU-Pasteur Research Pole has been awarded the Most Promising Young Researcher Award by the Food and Health Bureau of the Hong Kong SAR Government in recognition of her contribution to the understanding of influenza A virus pathogenesis.

**Professor Keith Luk Dip-kei** (陸駿驥) of the Department of Orthopaedics and Traumatology has been appointed as the First Vice President of the International Society for the Study of the Lumbar Spine, and will become the President in June 2016.

**Dr Ng Ming-yen** (黃明鏊) of the Department of Diagnostic Radiology has been awarded the 2015 Society for Cardiovascular Magnetic Resonance Regional Scholarship Award.

**Professor Agnes Tiwari Fung-yee** (羅鳳儀) of the School of Nursing has been awarded the Fulbright-RGC Hong Kong Senior Research Scholar Award by the Research Grants Council of Hong Kong and China/Fulbright Scholarship Board. She has also been elected as the President of the Academy on Violence and Abuse for 2015-17.

**Dr Esther Yu Yee-tak** (余懿德) of the Department of Family Medicine and Primary Care has been awarded The HKCFP Best Research Award 2014 by The Hong Kong College of Family Physicians.

## MEDIA HIGHLIGHTS

The Faculty keeps the Hong Kong community informed of the latest developments in health-related issues, and encourages a healthy lifestyle by contributing to TV and radio programmes, such as “精靈一點” (Radio Television Hong Kong, RTHK), “醫療專題”, “你健康嗎?” (Television Broadcasts Limited, TVB), “至Fit男女” (Cable TV), “杏林在線” (Now TV). It also produces regular health columns in local newspapers including the *Oriental Daily News* 《東方日報醫健寶庫系列》 (Saturdays) and *am730* 《香港大學李嘉誠醫學院傳染病系列》、《香港大學李嘉誠醫學院家庭醫學系列》 (Mondays). Please visit our Knowledge Exchange - Engaging the Community section at <http://www.med.hku.hk> to find out more.

The Faculty organised media interviews for Faculty members to share their views on a number of health-related issues, including how targeted therapy for lung cancer can help treat neck and head cancers and on new treatments for colorectal cancer. It also lined up interviews with colleagues for their comments and expertise on Middle East Respiratory Syndrome (MERS),

myasthenia gravis, psoriasis and e-cigarettes, cardiovascular diseases, depression in the elderly and other issues.

The Faculty collaborated with *Apple Daily* to produce a series of news videos featuring its young academic staff, “新世代醫生系列”, with the objective to enable the public and prospective students to learn more about the medical profession, the prospects for MBBS graduates, the Faculty, as well as our academic staff who take up roles in teaching, clinical work and research. Students from the programmes of MBBS and Biomedical Sciences also shared with the media their lives at HKU at various media interviews.

The Faculty provided media consultancy and assistance to MBBS third year students in organising Health Advocacy Projects. The events attracted positive media coverage.

Recent Faculty press events are as follows:

### March

**3** HKU conducts a public opinion survey on body donation in Hong Kong. Over 50% of respondents are willing to donate.  
港大進行全港遺體捐贈意向調查 逾五成市民願意捐贈

**12** HKU scientists find the H7N9 influenza virus enzootic in poultry. The study is published in the prestigious international scientific journal, *Nature*.  
港大指H7N9病毒已在中國家禽中出現地方性流行  
研究於國際頂尖學術期刊《自然》發表

### April

**9** HKU has developed the Atrial Fibrillation (AF) management app and launches the private doctors AF screening programme.  
港大推出心房顫動管理智能手機應用程式及私家醫生心房顫動普查

**13** HKU study identifies host factors that function as intracellular receptors to assist dengue virus egress.  
港大研究證實宿主因子可作為細胞內受體協助登革病毒釋放

**14** Five distinguished scholars of the Faculty receive Croucher Innovation and Senior Research Fellowship Awards.  
五位港大李嘉誠醫學院傑出學者獲裘槎基金會頒授「前瞻科研大獎」及「優秀研究者獎」

**21** HKU Youth Quitline praises peer smoking cessation counsellors in the 10th Anniversary Celebration Ceremony.  
港大青少年戒煙熱線十週年慶典 表揚戒煙輔導員貢獻

**25** HKU leads the first health study in Asia that shows that long-term exposure to fine particles PM2.5 is associated with mortality in Hong Kong elderly.  
港大帶領進行亞洲首個微細粒子對人體健康影響之研究  
HKU hosts the “I’m Little but Not Less: Have I a place in your school?” Symposium.  
港大舉辦「我是小個子：你的學校能接納我嗎？」研討會

### May

**14** HKU hosts FAMILY: A Jockey Club Initiative for a Harmonious Society Kick-off Ceremony of “FAMILY Holistic Health” cum Hong Kong Family and Health Information Trends Survey Press Conference  
愛 + 人：賽馬會和諧社會計劃「家家好健康」啟動禮暨「香港家庭及健康資訊問卷調查」新聞發布會

**20** HKU leads Asia’s first genetically modified hematopoietic stem cell transplantation for late juvenile metachromatic leukodystrophy patients (MLD).  
港大帶領亞洲首宗幹細胞介導基因治療  
救治嚴重異染性腦白質退化症患者

**26** HKU finds that adventure-based physical training is beneficial to cancer children’s survival.  
港大發現歷奇訓練有助改善兒童癌症康復者的運動習慣

### June

**3** HKU Phase 1 Clinical Trials Centre celebrates its 1st Anniversary and emphasises its focus on phase 1 and early phase clinical trials to bring novel treatments.  
港大一期臨床試驗中心邁向一週年  
致力一期及早期臨床試驗 帶來嶄新治療方向

**27** HKU and Education Bureau co-organise MindShift Educational Programme to enhance the awareness of mental health among teenagers, to destigmatise mental illness and to build a harmonious society.  
港大聯同教育局舉辦「思動教育計劃」 增加中學生對思覺失調患者的認識 冀除標籤共建和諧社會

### July

**3** The Dean meets the press and talks about the Faculty’s undergraduate admission arrangements.  
院長會見傳媒講解醫學院收生安排



## IN REMEMBRANCE



With deep sorrow, we mourn the passing of  
the following alumni:



**Dr Lo Wing-lok** 勞永樂 (MBBS 1979) was a distinguished alumnus of the Faculty, a devoted doctor and a committed politician, noted for his exemplary public service and contributions to the society. His dedication to the enhancement of social well-being earned him the great respect of his patients, friends, professional peers and community members.

**Professor Lu Xin** 呂辛 was a staunch supporter of HKU and the Faculty. He was committed to education and contributed greatly to the advancement of research and education of Chinese Medicine.

**Dr Wong Chak-sang** 黃卓生 (MBBS 1950) was a distinguished alumna of the Faculty and a devoted doctor, respected by her patients, friends and professional peers for her dedication to enhancing the health and well-being of others.

**Dr William Yip Po-tin** 葉寶天 (MBBS 1965) was a distinguished alumnus of the Faculty and a devoted doctor who had earned faithful respect from his patients, friends and professional peers for his lifelong dedication to the health of the community and the enhancement of social well-being.



(\*In alphabetical order of family names)

## DONATIONS

### 10,000,000 or above

#### **The New World Group Charity Foundation**

*In support of the establishment of the "Medical Oncology Drug Discovery and Development Program", Department of Medicine*

### 5,000,000 or above

#### **Hong Kong Pao Foundation**

*In support of the initiatives related to Minimally Invasive Surgery, Department of Surgery*

### 1,000,000 or above

#### **Henderson Warmth Foundation**

*In support of the basic neuroscience research and education-related activities about dementia conducted by Dr Andrew Law Chi-kin, Department of Psychiatry*

#### **Hong Kong Hereditary Breast Cancer Family Registry Ltd**

*In support of the employment of research staff by the Department of Surgery*

#### **Mr Hui Ming**

*In support of the establishment of Camerobot System for surgical training and archive, Department of Surgery*

#### **Mr Hui Ming**

*In support of the research on transanal and robotic surgery for rectal cancer undertaken by Professor Law Wai-lun, Department of Surgery*

#### **Lu's Foundation Ltd**

*In memory of Professor Lu Sin and in support of the research and education of Chinese Medicine*

#### **The Queen Mary Hospital Charitable Trust**

*In support of the Queen Mary Hospital Charitable Trust Fund for Liver Transplantation*

#### **Top Talent Development Ltd**

*In support of the Ho Sau Ki Donation Fund in Surgery, Department of Surgery*

#### **Wong Check She Charitable Foundation**

*In support of the research activities related to female cancers undertaken in the Department of Obstetrics and Gynaecology*

### 500,000 or above

#### **The Shun Tak District Min Yuen Tong of Hong Kong**

*In support of the development of the Minimally Invasive Spine Surgery System, Department of Orthopaedics and Traumatology*

### 100,000 or above

#### **BNP Paribas Hong Kong**

*In support of the research and teaching activities undertaken by HKU-Pasteur Research Pole*

#### **Choi Siu Company Ltd**

*In memory of Mr Chung Yiu-ming and in support of the research on lung cancer undertaken by Dr James Ho Chung-man, Department of Medicine*

#### **Jocelyn Foundation Ltd**

*In support of the research project undertaken by Dr Stephen Sze Cho-wing, School of Chinese Medicine*

#### **Dr Laurence Hou Lee-tsun & Friends**

*In support of the Professor Hou Pao-chang Fund for Integrative Medicine*

#### **Dr Gilberto Leung Ka-kit**

*In support of the Division of Neurosurgery of the Department of Surgery*

#### **Professor Lo Chung-mau**

*In support of the academic pursuits and developments of the Department of Surgery*

#### **L'Oreal Hong Kong Ltd**

*In support of the L'Oreal Scholarship provided in HKU- Pasteur Research Pole*

#### **Mr Leo Kung**

*In support of the research and teaching activities undertaken by HKU-Pasteur Research Pole*

#### **Dr Tang Shum-yue**

*In support of the student programmes of the Faculty*

#### **Vita Green Health Products Co Ltd**

*In support of the research project undertaken by Dr Feng Yibin, School of Chinese Medicine*

(In alphabetical order of last names or organisation names)

## FORTHCOMING EVENTS

### OCTOBER

#### State Key Laboratory for Liver Research (SKLLR) Symposium 2015

**October 17, 2015**

Chatham Room, 7/F, Conrad Hong Kong, Pacific Place, 88 Queensway, Admiralty

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#### Hong Kong Public Health Forum 2015 - Extracting Meaning from Data: Cohorts and Deep Analytics

**October 24, 2015**

Cheung Kung Hai Conference Centre, William MW Mong Block, 21 Sassoon Road, Pokfulam

##### Information

Ms Joanna Ong, School of Public Health  
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#### Advanced Trauma Life Support (ATLS) Student Course

**October 22 – 24, November 5 – 7, December 10 – 12, 2015**

Surgical Skills Centre, Department of Surgery, Laboratory Block, 21 Sassoon Road, Pokfulam

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### NOVEMBER

#### Harry Fang Visiting Professor Lecture

**November 3, 2015**

Lecture Theatre, 5/F, Professorial Block, Queen Mary Hospital

##### Information

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#### Advanced Trauma Care for Nurses (ATCN) Provider Course

**November 5 – 6, 2015**

Surgical Skills Centre, Department of Surgery, Laboratory Block, 21 Sassoon Road, Pokfulam

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#### Information Day for Undergraduate Admissions 2015

**November 7, 2015**

Medical Faculty Campus, 21 Sassoon Road, Pokfulam

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#### A R Hodgson Visiting Professor Lecture

**November 11, 2015**

Lecture Theatre, 5/F, Professorial Block, Queen Mary Hospital

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#### Update Certificate Course in Haematology

**November 14-15, 2015**

Cheung Kung Hai Conference Centre, William MW Mong Block, 21 Sassoon Road, Pokfulam

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#### HKU Obstetrics and Gynaecology 90th Anniversary Celebration

**November 14-15, 2015**

Cheung Kung Hai Conference Centre, William MW Mong Block, 21 Sassoon Road, Pokfulam

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#### The 10th Scientific Conference on Cardiovascular Science Across the Strait and the 19th Annual Scientific Meeting of the Institute of Cardiovascular Science and Medicine

**November 20-21, 2015**

Hong Kong Convention and Exhibition Centre, Wan Chai

##### Information

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#### 2nd International Conference on Phase 1 and Early Phase Clinical Trials

**November 20-21, 2015**

Hyatt Regency Hong Kong, Tsim Sha Tsui

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#### 194th Congregation and Prize Presentation Ceremony

**November 21, 2015**

Grand Hall, Lee Shau Kee Lecture Centre, Centennial Campus, HKU

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#### HKU-Pasteur Immunology Course

**November 22 - December 4, 2015**

Hong Kong Jockey Club Building for Interdisciplinary Research, 5 Sassoon Road, Pokfulam

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### DECEMBER

#### The 9th Pong Ding Yuen International Symposium on Traditional Chinese Medicine - Chinese Medicine for Mental Health

第九屆龐鼎元國際中醫藥研討會 - 中醫與精神健康

**December 5 - 6, 2015**

Cheung Kung Hai Conference Centre, William MW Mong Block, 21 Sassoon Road, Pokfulam

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#### The 6th Hong Kong International Nursing Forum

**December 10-11, 2015**

Cheung Kung Hai Conference Centre, William MW Mong Block, 21 Sassoon Road, Pokfulam

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#### School of Public Health Graduation Ceremony 2015

**December 12, 2015**

Cheung Kung Hai Conference Centre, William MW Mong Block, 21 Sassoon Road, Pokfulam

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### JANUARY

#### Croucher Advanced Study Institute (ASI) on Integrative Approaches to Understanding Disorders of the Skeleton

**January 11-13, 2016**

Hong Kong Jockey Club Building for Interdisciplinary Research, 5 Sassoon Road, Pokfulam

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#### 21st Medical Research Conference

**January 16, 2016**

Cheung Kung Hai Conference Centre, William MW Mong Block, 21 Sassoon Road, Pokfulam

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