

THE UNIVERSITY OF HONG KONG
LI KA SHING FACULTY OF MEDICINE

Sun Yat Sen Foundation Fund

To commemorate the centenary of the Medical Faculty in 1987, donations were invited from past graduates, teachers, and friends of the Faculty to establish a Fund to be named after one of the first two graduates of the Faculty (which was then called the Hong Kong College of Medicine for the Chinese), Dr. Sun Yat Sen, who later became the President of the Republic of China. A total of 357 donations were received of the value of about HK\$5.25 million.

The original request for donations indicated four purposes for which funds were sought, as follows:

- (a) To establish one or more Chairs in the Faculty;
- (b) To establish an institute of postgraduate studies;
- (c) To promote and strengthen research in the Faculty;
- (d) To promote and strengthen academic exchanges with medical schools in Mainland China.

Since the total sum collected is not large enough to support all the purposes outlined above, the Board of the Medical Faculty has agreed that the Fund shall be used for purposes (c) and (d) only.

The Board has also agreed that the total sum shall be used as follows: \$4 million for (c) including a sum equal to US\$100,000 which shall be earmarked as requested by a donor, Dr. Pauline Chan, to match a grant made by the China Medical Board for research grants to staff in the Faculty, and the rest to be used for (d).

The Fund shall be administered according to the following regulations:

I. Research Grants

1. Income derived annually from that part of the Fund set aside for research grants, *i.e.* 4 million, shall be used for the award of research grants to full-time teachers and other staff of equivalent grade in the Faculty. In exceptional circumstances, the capital sum may also be used for the award of research grants.
2. Grants shall be awarded to cover the cost of equipment, consumables and research assistance.
3. Grants shall be awarded by the Faculty's Joint Committees for Medical Research Funds.
4. Grants shall be made on such terms and conditions as the Joint Committees may prescribe from time to time.
5. Due acknowledgement shall be included in any publication which may result from a project supported by a grant from this Fund.

II. Academic Exchanges with Mainland China

1. The income available on the capital sum for academic exchanges with Mainland China shall be used for the award of grants:
 - (a) to staff from medical schools and related institutes in Mainland China to enable them to undertake an attachment of not more than three months in a department/unit in the Faculty; and
 - (b) to full-time teachers and other staff of equivalent grade in the Faculty to visit medical schools and/or other related institutes in Mainland China.
2. Grants to both incoming visitors and outgoing staff will be for the purposes of promoting and strengthening academic relationship between the tertiary institutes in Mainland China and the Faculty. The Grants are not intended for awardees to attend conferences or to deliver lectures.
3. Grants should be tenable for a period of two weeks to a maximum of three months.
4. Grants for incoming visitors and outgoing staff shall be subject to a maximum sum determined by a Committee of Management in advance for each year's exercise.
5. Reports from the supervisors of incoming visitors, and from outgoing staff, should be submitted to the Committee of Management within one month of completion of their visits.

Administrative Arrangements

1. The Director of Finance shall arrange for the investment of the capital sum, and shall report on the state of the Fund at such times as the Committee concerned may require.
2. Applicants for research grants from the Fund should apply to the Committee for Research and Conference Grants in the first instance.
3. Following the practice of the Committee on Research and Conference Grants, applications for grants from the Fund may be considered twice annually and applicants may be called for interview by the Joint Committees.
4. In respect of academic exchanges with Mainland China, the Committee of Management shall consist of the Chairman appointed by the Faculty Board, the Dean, and other members nominated by the Dean.

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