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MESSAGE FROM DEPARTMENT CHAIRPERSON

Welcome to the November 2025 issue of MEDICINE newsletter.

This year, we have accomplished so much together — advancing excellence in clinical care, research and education. The Chest Pain Centre at Queen Mary Hospital proudly stands as Hong Kong's first centre to receive national accreditation, underscoring our dedication and commitment to upholding the highest standards of patient care.

As we look ahead, 2026 promises to be an exciting new chapter. One highlight will be the launch of our Master of Clinical Research and Product Development (MCRPD) programme, a key step toward nurturing talent and fostering interdisciplinary collaboration.

While we honour our proud legacy, let's also embrace the opportunities ahead. I look forward to working with all of you to shape a healthier, more innovative future.



Professor Tse Hung-Fat

CONGRATULATIONS! Professor Philip Li Selected as Ten Outstanding Young Person 2025



Professor Philip Li
Clinical Assistant Professor

The Junior Chamber International Hong Kong, China (JCIHK) announced the list of Ten Outstanding Young Persons (TOYP) on October 2, 2025. Congratulations to Professor Philip Li (Academic Chief of the Rheumatology & Clinical Immunology Division and Clinical Assistant Professor) for being selected as one of the TOYP this year!

With the theme of "Dare to Dream, Stay Passionate and Forge Excellence", the TOYP Selection 2025 highlights the indomitable spirit of Hong Kong people as they passionately pursue their dreams and forge their own epic stories through relentless perseverance.

Professor Li established Hong Kong's first immunology and allergy clinic in a public hospital and developed a curriculum to provide local training opportunities for future specialists. He has also advocated for life-saving medications for immunodeficiency patients, increasing their chances of survival. Dedicated to advancing immunology and allergy research both locally and in the Asia-Pacific region, he promotes East-West collaboration and enhances the international influence of Hong Kong and China in these areas. Professor Li's journey exemplifies the spirit of this year's theme, inspiring others to embrace their dream and strive for excellence.



Professor Emmanuel Wong (fourth from the left) and members of Professor Sanjay Sinha's lab.

FEATURE STORY

Emmanuel Wong Building the Foundation for Science

The past decade of intensive training in the catheterization laboratory and on fully occupied wards has equipped young fellows at Queen Mary Hospital, including Professor Emmanuel Wong (Clinical Assistant Professor), with strong clinical expertise and interventional skills. However, without full-time immersion in a basic science laboratory, it remains challenging to establish a solid foundation for scientific pursuit.

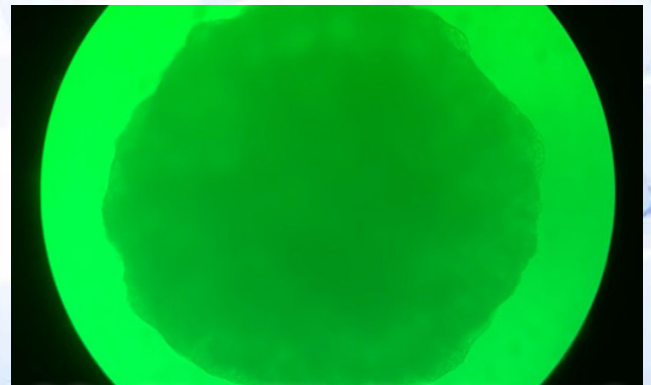
"Two years ago, while serving together as co-examiners for a Clinical Competence Test (CCT) examination, Professor Rosie Young shared with me how her time at the University of Cambridge provided lifelong inspiration for her career," Professor Wong reflected. In 2024, he was awarded the inaugural Rosie Young Medical Fellowship for Internal Medicine, spending a year conducting cardiac cell therapy research under the supervision of Professor Sanjay Sinha at the Cambridge Stem Cell Institute, University of Cambridge.

Professor Wong's project focused on modulating the endothelin-1-endothelin receptor A-PRRX1 axis to control left-right asymmetry in induced pluripotent stem cell-derived cardiomyocytes intended for therapeutic use. The broad range of experiments provided training in diverse techniques, including single-cell transcriptomic analysis, optimization of cardiomyocyte differentiation protocols, organoid generation, engineered heart tissue construction, and long-term culture of primary human myocardial tissue. "Mastering these methods first-hand is essential, as I believe that deep personal understanding of the techniques allows us to guide research teams more effectively," he expressed.

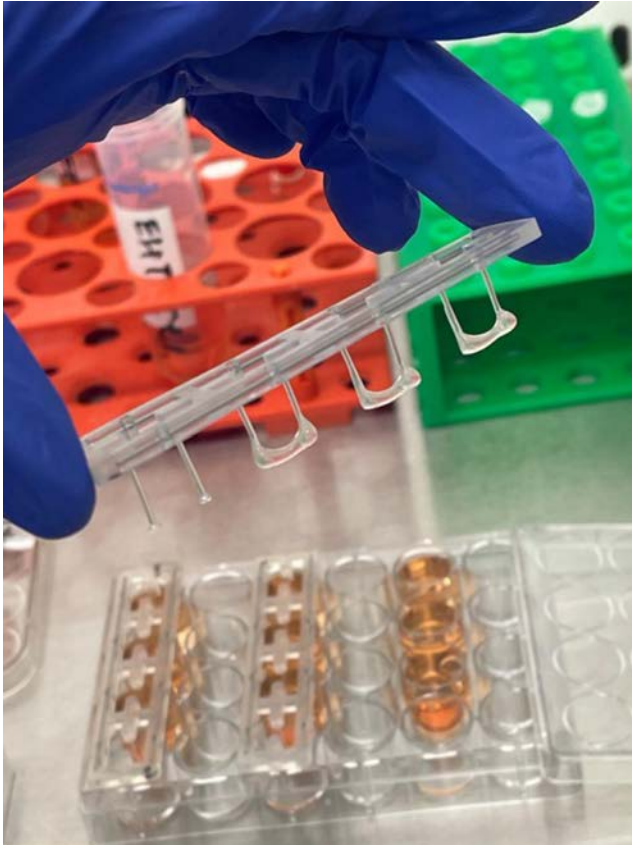
Beyond technical skills, working closely with outstanding scientists from around the world enriched his conceptual framework for planning research. Professor Wong was particularly inspiring to observe both established investigators and postgraduate students tackling ambitious, high-impact questions rather than pursuing low-hanging fruit for incremental advances. "The culture strongly emphasized investing in thorough, rigorously designed experiments capable of definitively validating ambitious claims, rather than accepting superficial or preliminary findings simply for the sake of quick publication."



Primary human myocardium slice culture



Cardiac ventricular organoid during calcium transient measurement



Engineered heart tissue

Looking ahead, this year in Cambridge has profoundly reshaped his thinking and laid a foundation for his future scientific career. It also marks the beginning of closer collaboration between our institutions in advancing clinical cardiac cell therapies. Professor Wong expressed his heartfelt gratitude: "I sincerely thank the Sun Chieh Yeh Heart Foundation for establishing the fellowship; to the cardiology team at Queen Mary Hospital for supporting my overseas training; to my clinical research team for seamlessly maintaining our clinical trials while I was abroad; to my laboratory colleagues in Hong Kong and Cambridge for their generous guidance; and to Professors Tse Hung-Fat and Sanjay Sinha for their unwavering mentorship in shaping my development as a clinician-scientist."

Finally, on a personal note, Professor Wong and his wife were blessed with the birth of their daughter, Roselle, at the Rosie Hospital in Cambridge during the fellowship. This joyful event has made this year truly unforgettable.



Cambridge Stem Cell Institute, University of Cambridge



FEATURE STORY

Nurturing Talent to Strengthen Hong Kong's Position as a Health and Medical Innovation Hub

The Hong Kong Government's strategic initiatives, such as the upcoming establishment of the Hong Kong Centre for the Medical Products Regulation (CMPR), highlight the city's commitment to becoming a regional leader in health and medical innovation. These developments present a compelling opportunity for emerging professionals to contribute to and benefit from this transformative landscape.

To address this, the Department of Medicine and the Department of Pharmacology and Pharmacy will co-organize a new programme, **Master of Clinical Research and Product Development (MCRPD)**, commencing in September 2026. This programme aims to meet the increasing demand for professionals skilled in navigating clinical research, regulatory processes and healthcare product development within the evolving industry environment in Hong Kong, the Greater Bay Area (GBA), and neighbouring regions.

The curriculum is interdisciplinary, covering clinical therapeutics, clinical research management and healthcare product development. It leverages the expertise of HKU academics and professionals from the healthcare sector to equip students with the theoretical knowledge and practical skills necessary to become key contributors in their fields. By collaborating closely with industry partners such as the HKU Clinical Trials Centre and the Greater Bay Area International Clinical Trial Institute (GBAICTI), students can participate in experiential learning activities that bridge academic knowledge with industry practice.



Master of Clinical Research and Product Development (MCRPD)

The MCRPD programme is now open for applications for its first intake in September 2026. For further details and application procedures, please visit the programme website.



Professor Walter WK Seto Programme Director

Assistant Dean (Interdisciplinary Collaboration) & Simon KY Lee Professor in Gastroenterology, Department of Medicine, School of Clinical Medicine, HKUMed

“As Hong Kong transitions into a new era of medical regulation and innovation, cultivating highly skilled talent is essential. Our new programme emphasizes academic training grounded in real-world applications, ensuring that graduates are well-prepared to lead in this dynamic sector. I hope that the programme will further strengthen the city's status as a health and medical innovation hub.”



Professor Desmond Yap Co-Programme Director

Medical Director, Phase 1 Clinical Trials Unit, HKU Clinical Trials Centre & Clinical Professor, Department of Medicine, School of Clinical Medicine, HKUMed

“Medical innovations and new drug development are key strategic goals of the HKSAR government. Training of appropriate research personnel is the prerequisite to provide sufficient manpower to engage in this important initiative. This programme aims to prepare graduates with the basic and cutting-edge knowledge for clinical research and product development, enabling them to take up different roles in this new wave of medical advancements.”

NEW FACES

Professor Christopher Wong Clinical Assistant Professor



Professor Christopher Wong obtained his MBBS from the University of Adelaide in 2010 and completed his cardiology training at Concord Hospital in 2019. He earned his MPhil in 2019 and PhD in 2023 from the University of Sydney. He worked as a consultant cardiologist in Australia before moving to the United States in 2023 to undertake a clinical fellowship in percutaneous coronary and structural heart interventions at Stanford Hospital, followed by a postdoctoral research fellowship at Stanford University in 2024. In October 2025, he joined the Department of Medicine as Clinical Assistant Professor.

Professor Wong's research focuses on coronary physiology and its clinical applications, particularly in patients with coronary microvascular dysfunction. He has received competitive funding, including a PhD scholarship from the National Heart Foundation of Australia and a postdoctoral fellowship from the American Heart Association. He has multiple first-author publications in leading cardiology journals, including the *Journal of the American College of Cardiology (JACC)*, *JACC: Cardiovascular Interventions* and *Circulation: Cardiovascular Interventions*. He looks forward to collaborating across the Department and leveraging his expertise in coronary physiology to advance knowledge and improve patient outcomes.



Dr Oscar Chou Clinical Lecturer

Dr Oscar Hou joined the Department of Medicine as Clinical Lecturer in July 2025. He received his medical degree from the University of Hong Kong and holds a Master of Medical Microbiology (Virology) from the London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine, as well as a Master of Research in Medicine from the University of Hong Kong.

Dr Chou has research experience in both basic laboratory and clinical studies. His research interests include the application of cardiovascular regenerative medicine, rare cardiovascular diseases and heart failure. Besides, he has been working in the Division of Clinical Pharmacology, focusing on pharmacoepidemiology and real-world studies related to metabolic syndrome.

Dr Chou has over 45 publications with more than 900 citations on cardiovascular diseases and metabolic syndrome in peer-reviewed journals, including the *Journal of the National Comprehensive Cancer Network*, *Journal of the American Heart Association*, *European Heart Journal - Cardiovascular Pharmacotherapy*, and *European Journal of Preventive Cardiology*.

NEW APPOINTMENT & PROMOTION



Professor Jo Jo Hai
has been promoted to Clinical Associate Professor of Practice



Professor Paul Lee
has been appointed as Chief of Division of Endocrinology and Metabolism



Professor Leung Wai-Keung
has been appointed as Chair Professor of Gastrointestinal Medicine



Professor Desmond Yap
has been promoted to Clinical Professor



In Remembrance of Dr Tso Shiu-Chiu (1935-2025)

It is with great sadness that we share the passing of Dr Tso Shiu-Chiu, a distinguished alumnus of our Faculty (MBBS 1959, Former President of the HKU Students' Union) and a respected Professor of the Department of Medicine, on October 23, 2025.

Dr Tso began his career at HKU in 1960 as a Clinical Assistant, and was promoted to Assistant Lecturer in 1961. In 1962, he was awarded the prestigious Sino-British Fellowship to pursue postgraduate studies in the United Kingdom. Upon returning to Hong Kong in 1964, he was appointed as Lecturer of the Department of Medicine, to where he dedicated his service for two decades, becoming a Professor in the last five years.

A highly-respected physician in internal medicine, Dr Tso made his greatest contribution in haematology. He was the first-generation haematologist in Hong Kong specializing in classical haematology. His pioneer work included red blood cell disorders, both erythrocytosis and anaemia, and haematological problems during pregnancy, especially venous thrombosis. He established service and research collaborations with obstetricians in Queen Mary Hospital, a partnership that has continued to benefit patients. Beyond his academic accomplishments, Dr Tso was a visionary leader and passionate educator who profoundly influenced our medical community. In 1985, he left HKU to pursue private practice, though he continued to inspire generations of students as an Honorary Clinical Lecturer until 2001. In the position of a founding member of the Hong Kong Museum of Medical Sciences Society, Dr Tso had also devoted time and efforts to the promotion of medical history and education in our city.

As we mourn the loss of Dr Tso, a remarkable educator, scholar and leader, we will remember and cherish his lifelong dedication to medicine, education and community service, and the enduring impact he leaves behind. Please extend our deepest condolences to his family.



Group photo of Professor Eric Tse (Guest of Honour, third from the left), Professor Harry Gill (Chairman of the APMF Organizing Committee, fifth from the left), keynote speakers and participants.

EVENT HIGHLIGHTS

The First Asia-Pacific Myeloid Forum



The First Asia-Pacific Myeloid Forum (APMF): Addressing Treatment Needs and Advancing Care in the Asia-Pacific Region, held on May 24-25, 2025 at the HKUMed campus, marked an important step forward in advancing collaboration and scientific exchange in the field of myeloid malignancies across the Asia-Pacific region. Esteemed faculty and participants engaged in insightful discussions that deepened the understanding of acute promyelocytic leukaemia (APL), acute myeloid leukaemia (AML), chronic myeloid leukaemia (CML), myelodysplastic neoplasm (MDS) and myeloproliferative neoplasm (MPN). The event also addressed region-specific challenges in managing and treating myeloid diseases, and sought to bridge knowledge gaps through networking and expert discussions on the latest advancements in genomics and precision medicine.

HKU Advanced Endoscopy Workshop: Colonoscopy



Group photo of keynote speakers. (From left) Dr Elvis To (Queen Mary Hospital), Dr Ma Yiu-Keung (Tuen Mun Hospital), Professor Thomas Lui, Dr James Li (Sengkang General Hospital, Singapore), Dr Kevin Liu and Dr Michael Ko (Queen Mary Hospital).

The HKU Advanced Endoscopy Workshop 2025, co-organized by the Department of Medicine, School of Clinical Medicine and the HKU Endoscopy Centre, was successfully held on June 13-14, 2025 at the HKUMed campus. Led by Professors Leung Wai-Keung and Thomas Lui, the workshop focused on AI-powered colonoscopy, endoscopic therapy for inflammatory bowel disease, advanced colonoscopy closure techniques, and endoscopic submucosal dissection in severe fibrosis. It combined in-depth lectures with live case demonstrations, encouraging dynamic discussions between experts and attendees on the latest advancements in colonoscopy and sharing real-world strategies for tackling complex clinical challenges.





Group photo of Professor Paul Lee (Chairperson of the Organizing Committee, third from the right in the first row) and participants.

EVENT HIGHLIGHTS

EDM HK Nursing Workshop 2025



The Endocrinology, Diabetes & Metabolism Hong Kong (EDM HK) Nursing Workshop was held on June 28-29, 2025 at the HKUMed campus.

Tailored specifically for nursing professionals, this workshop featured expert-led didactic lectures, interactive workshops and insightful endocrine case-sharing sessions. Participants gained practical skills and in-depth knowledge for delivering high-quality care to patients with endocrine disorders, diabetes and metabolic conditions, thus strengthening their expertise in these healthcare areas.



A talk on "Osteoporosis: Injectables for Osteoporosis"

Visit by Professor Jennifer Quint

Our heartfelt thanks to Professor Jennifer Quint (Professor of Respiratory Epidemiology, Imperial College London) for her dedicated support as External Advisor for the RGC GRF/ECS 2026-27 exercise. During her visit from August 5 to 7, 2025, she shared her successful experiences in grant applications and exchanged views with members of the Division of Respiratory Medicine on her recent research.



Professor Tse Hung-Fat (left), Department Chairperson, presented a souvenir to Professor Jennifer Quint in appreciation of her support.



Division members joined an inspiring seminar on chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (COPD) delivered by Professor Jennifer Quint.



Professor Rosie Young shared her secrets of health during the Good Vibes Talk, emphasizing the importance of a healthy lifestyle, optimism, forgiveness and helping others.



EVENT HIGHLIGHTS

Celebrations for Chinese Doctors' Day 2025 and Professor Rosie Young's 95th Birthday

To express sincere appreciation and respect for medical doctors, a celebratory event for Chinese Doctors' Day (中國醫師節) was held in the evening of August 11, 2025 at the Hong Kong City Hall.

Professor Rosie Young, who recently celebrated her 95th birthday, shared her wisdom from 70 years of doctoring with the younger generation during the Good Vibes Talk. There were two singing performances from the Department of Medicine, including the Centenary Song 《內有乾坤》 by the original singers of the song, as well as a solo rendition of 《香港•香港》 by Professor Sydney Tang. Both performances created an enchanting atmosphere that touched hearts and conveyed messages of love and hope.



(From left) Professors Sydney Tang, Loey Mak and David Lui, Dr Apple Chan, Professor Ivan Hung, Dr Charis Yue, Dr Woo Yu-Cho and Professor Paul Lee performed the Centenary Song 《內有乾坤》.



Professor Sydney Tang gave a solo singing performance of 《香港•香港》



Colleagues and friends had a joyful evening at the Island Shangri-La on October 2, 2025 to celebrate the 95th birthday of Professor Rosie Young.



Electrosurgery workshop with bench model

EVENT HIGHLIGHTS

Hong Kong Valves 2025

Hong Kong Valves 2025, held from October 17 to 19 at the HKUMed campus, was a resounding success. The event brought together over 700 participants, including more than 100 international attendees, for an in-depth focus on valvular heart disease. Eight live case demonstrations from expert centres in New York and China showcased innovative techniques and devices from both East and West. Real-time demonstrations using bench models illustrated complex skills such as transcatheter electro-surgery leaflet modification. The dynamic CHALK TALK series clarified core concepts through expert-led discussions, while 10 interactive workshops provided hands-on training in devices, techniques and imaging. Dedicated curricula for nursing professionals and medical students strengthened collaboration and set a forward-looking course for continued shared learning and clinical excellence.



8th Annual Meeting of Endocrinology, Diabetes & Metabolism Hong Kong

The 8th Annual Meeting of Endocrinology, Diabetes & Metabolism Hong Kong (EDM HK), jointly organized by the Department of Medicine at the University of Hong Kong, the KK Leung Diabetes Centre and the Osteoporosis Centre of Queen Mary Hospital, successfully concluded at the Hong Kong Convention and Exhibition Centre on October 25-26, 2025.

Under the theme "Expanding the Endo-Verse", the event attracted over 650 registrants from diverse healthcare disciplines, including endocrinologists, pharmacists, nurses, nutritionists and medical students, reinforcing its reputation as a key regional platform for endocrine research and education. The two-day programme fostered interdisciplinary collaboration and knowledge sharing, featured cutting-edge lectures and interactive discussions led by distinguished local and international experts. With its growing community, EDM HK continues to shape the future of metabolic and hormonal health.

PUBLIC LECTURE SERIES



Professor Thomas Lui



Professor Yuen Man-Fung



AWARDS AND HONOURS International Recognition

Clarivate Analytics

Highly Cited Researcher 2025

- Professor Ivan Hung

World's Top 1% Scholars 2025

- Professor Daniel Chan
- Professor Michael Cheung
- Professor Ivan Hung
- Professor Lai Ching-Lung
- Professor Lau Chak-Sing
- Professor Leung Wai-Keung
- Professor Walter WK Seto
- Dr Anthony R. Tam*
- Professor Sydney Tang
- Professor Tse Hung-Fat
- Professor Xu Aimin
- Professor Yuen Man-Fung

*Honorary Professoriate

Stanford University

World's Top 2% Scientists 2025

- Professor Henry Chan*
- Professor Daniel Chan
- Professor Bernard Cheung
- Professor Raymond Cheung
- Professor James Chim*
- Professor Chu Leung-Wing*
- Dr James Fung*
- Professor Ivan Hung
- Professor Mary Ip
- Professor Kwong Yok-Lam
- Professor Annie Kung*
- Professor Lai Ching-Lung
- Professor Lai Kar-Neng
- Professor Karen Lam
- Professor Lau Chak-Sing
- Professor Lau Chu-Pak*
- Professor Lee Sum-Ping*
- Professor Leung Wai-Keung
- Professor Raymond Liang
- Professor Walter WK Seto
- Professor David Siu*
- Professor Kathryn Tan
- Professor Sydney Tang
- Professor Kenneth Tsang*
- Professor Tse Hung-Fat
- Professor Benjamin Wong*
- Dr Raymond Wong*
- Professor Xu Aimin
- Professor Yuen Man-Fung

*Honorary Professoriate

AWARDS AND HONOURS



Professor Florence Chan

- Distinguished Research Paper Award for Young Investigators 2025, Hong Kong College of Physicians
- Young Investigator Research Grant 2025, Hong Kong College of Physicians



Professor Will Chan

- Distinguished Young Fellow, Hong Kong Academy of Medicine



Professor Michael Cheung

- Best Abstract Presentation Prize & Travel Grant Award, United European Gastroenterology (UEG) Week 2025
- Distinguished Research Paper Award for Young Investigators 2025, Hong Kong College of Physicians
- Sir David Todd Lectureship 2025, Hong Kong College of Physicians
- Young Investigator Research Grant 2025, Hong Kong College of Physicians



Professor Herbert Kwok

- APSR Young Investigator Travel Award 2025, 29th Congress of the Asian Pacific Society of Respiriology (APSR)
- Deputy Head, APSR Clinical Respiratory Medicine Assembly
- Editorial Board Member, *Translational Pediatrics* (Impact Factor: 1.7)
- President, Hong Kong Public Doctors' Association



Professor David Lam

- Co-Editor-in-Chief, *Respirology* (Impact Factor: 6.3)



Professor Leung Wai-Keung

- Foreign Member, Academia Europaea

AWARDS AND HONOURS



Professor Philip Li

- Fellow, American College of Allergy, Asthma & Immunology
- Research Excellence in Allergic Diseases Award 2025, Hong Kong Institute of Allergy
- Standing Committee Member of Allergy Medicine Committee, Cross-Straits Medicine Exchange Association
- Ten Outstanding Young Person 2025, Junior Chamber International Hong Kong



Professor David Lui

- Executive Committee Member, Asia Pacific Consortium on Osteoporosis (APCO)



Professor Loey Mak

- Distinguished Research Paper Award for Young Investigators 2025, Hong Kong College of Physicians
- Editorial Board Member, *Journal of Hepatology* (Impact Factor: 33)
- Faculty Clinical Service Excellence Award 2025, HKUMed
- Future Leader 2025, touchENDOCRINOLOGY
- Rising Star Award 2025 (Runner-Up), Global Women in Healthcare Awards, EMMS International & Royal College of Physicians of Edinburgh
- Universitas 21 Fellowship 2025-26, HKU



Professor Iris Tang

- Deputy Chairman, Preliminary Investigation Committee (2), The Medical Council of Hong Kong



Professor Sydney Tang

- Distinguished Fellow, European Renal Association



Professor Yuen Man-Fung

- 2025 Bruce Witte Distinguished Scholar, Hepatitis B Foundation & Baruch S. Blumberg Institute

NEW RESEARCH GRANT / FUND AWARDED

RGC General Research Fund (GRF) 2025/26

Principal Investigator	Project Title	Amount Awarded (HKD)
Professor Loey Mak	<i>The Role of HBV Integration in Young-Onset Hepatocellular Carcinoma in Patients with Chronic Hepatitis B Infection</i>	\$1,208,830
Professor Sydney Tang	<i>Exploring the TLR4 and Trained Immunity Nexus: A Pathway from AKI to CKD</i>	\$1,208,830
Professor Teo Kay-Cheong	<i>Triple Pill after Intracerebral Hemorrhage for Blood Pressure Control with the TRICH Score (TRIACT)</i>	\$923,443
Professor Xu Aimin	<i>Functional and Mechanistic Investigation of a Novel Endoplasmic Reticulum-Localised Membrane Protein in The Pathogenesis of Dyslipidemia and MASLD</i>	\$1,381,520
Professor Desmond Yap	<i>Repurposing Oral Arsenic Trioxide for The Treatment of Lupus Nephritis</i>	\$1,351,472
Dr Wang Baile	<i>Adipose-derived S100A4 as a Novel Anorexigenic Hormone to Alleviate Obesity and Hyperglycemia: Clinical Implications and Mechanistic Investigations</i>	\$1,380,847

Health and Medical Research Fund (HMRF) 2023

Principal Investigator	Project Title	Amount Awarded (HKD)
Professor Walter WK Seto	<i>Tissue Oncomicrobiome Signatures Predicting Clinical Outcomes of Post-Operative Hepatocellular Carcinoma: From Discovery to Prospective Validation</i>	\$1,494,840
Professor Sydney Tang	<i>Exploring the Role of Serum and Urinary Kallistatin as a Novel Biomarker and Predictor of Cardiorenal Outcomes in Patients with Diabetes and Chronic Kidney Disease</i>	\$1,172,800
Professor Teo Kay-Cheong	<i>Precision Use of Tranexamic Acid for Supratentorial Acute Cerebral Hemorrhage Trial (PRECISE-TRANSACT): A Pilot Randomized Controlled Trial</i>	\$497,166
Professor Emmanuel Wong	<i>Sodium Glucose Cotransporter 2 Inhibitors for Repaired Tetralogy of Fallot Patients for Enhancement of Cardio-Pulmonary Status Trial (STEPS Trial)</i>	\$1,404,000
Professor Desmond Yap	<i>Predicting Long-term Risk of Disease Relapse and Renal Failure in Lupus Nephritis - An Artificial Intelligence Model Based on Renal Histology and Serial Clinical Parameters</i>	\$841,729

Li Shu Pui Medical Foundation Research Grant

Principal Investigator	Project Title	Amount Awarded (HKD)
Professor Philip Li	<i>Multidisciplinary Desensitization: Re-establishing Effective Anti-Cancer Treatments (MD:REACT)</i>	\$1,453,100

HKUMed Research Collaboration Booster Fund 2025

Principal Investigator	Project Title	Amount Awarded (HKD)
Professor Shirley Li	<i>Leveraging Next-generation Health Technology Assessment for Value-driven Innovation Adoption in Healthcare (LEGEND)</i>	\$1,000,000

Hong Kong Scholars Program 2025

Principal Investigator	Project Title	Amount Awarded (HKD)
Professor Xu Aimin	<i>Role and Mechanisms of Adipokines in Chronic Metabolic Diseases in Animal Models and Human Subjects</i>	\$439,200

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WHAT'S UPCOMING




AJS McFadzean Distinguished Lecture *Cardiomyopathies: A Paradigm for the Future of Cardiovascular Therapeutics?*

-  January 23, 2026 (Friday)
-  Underground Lecture Theatre 1, LG1/F, New Clinical Building, Queen Mary Hospital
-  <https://medic.hku.hk/en/Knowledge-Exchange/AJS-McFadzean-Distinguished-Lecture>

31st Medical Research Conference *Embracing the Era of AI and Precision Medicine*

-  January 24, 2026 (Saturday)
-  Cheung Kung Hai Lecture Theatre 2, G/F, William M.W. Mong Block, 21 Sassoon Road, Pokfulam
-  <https://mrc.hku.hk>

30th Hong Kong Medical Forum *Advancing the Frontiers of Medicine for Three Decades and Beyond*

-  May 16-17, 2026 (Saturday & Sunday)
-  Convention Hall, Hong Kong Convention and Exhibition Centre (HKCEC), Wan Chai
-  <https://hkmf.hku.hk>

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