17<sup>th</sup> Medical Research Conference
Lecture Theatre 1, Cheung Kung Hai Conference Centre, William MW Mong Block, LKS Faculty of Medicine Building, The University of Hong Kong, Pok Fu Lam, HK.

## 14 January 2012 (Saturday)

Program:

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TIME	ACTIVITY
09:00 – 09:10 09:10 – 09:15 09:15 – 10:15	Registration Opening Remarks by Prof Karen Lam, Head, Department of Medicine Oral Session I – Basic Science Chairmen: Drs Judith Mak & Susan Yung
	The role of autophagy induced by erlotinib treatment in non-small cell lung carcinoma – Yuan-Yuan Li
	Endothelium-selective activation of AMP-activated protein kinase alleviates diabetes-induced endothelial dysfunction by enhancing reendothelialisation and EPC mobilisation in mice – Francois Li
	Adipocyte fatty acid binding protein potentiates toxic lipids-induced endoplasmic reticulum stress via its inhibition of autophagy – Ruby Hoo
	Epigenetic inactivation of the MIR34B/C in multiple myeloma – Kwan-Yeung Wong
10:15 - 10:45	Coffee / Tea Break - Exhibition Area
10:45 – 12:00	Oral Session II – Basic Science & Translational Chairmen: Prof Sydney Tang & Dr Aimin Xu
	Age-dependent Alterations of Cigarette Smoke-induced Oxidative and Inflammatory Responses in Rats – Xiang Li
	Adipocyte-selective disruption of SIRT1 accelerates high fat diet and aging induced insulin resistance by inducing cellular senescence in mice – Hannah Hui
	The role of circulating serotonin in the development of chronic obstructive pulmonary disease – Kwok-Wai Lau
	Modulatory effect of mesenchymal stem cells on albumin-induced tubular inflammation – Haojia Wu
	Suppression of hyaluronan using 4-methylumbelliferone is associated with reduced renal inflammation and fibrosis in NZBWF1/J mice – Wan-Wai Tse
12:00 – 12:40	Plenary Session I Prof Vanda A Lennon, Professor of Immunology and Neurology, College of Medicine, Mayo Clinic, USA
	Autoimmune Encephalopathies
12:40 - 13:55	Buffet Luncheon (Sponsored by Pfizer) - Exhibition Area
12:40 - 13:55	Poster Session 20 presentations divided into 2 groups x5 mins each
	Chairmen: Drs GR Li & KH Yiu Poster I: Basic Science & Translational
	Chairmen: Drs Victoria Tan & Thomas Yau Poster II: Clinical Research
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13:55 – 14:55	Oral Session III - Clinical Research (I) Chairmen: Drs David Siu & Eric Tse
	Serum adiponectin in relation to other obesity-related biomarkers in predicting type 2 diabetes: a 5-year prospective study – Dr Yu-Cho Woo  Prevention of mortality and pneumonia among institutionalised older adults by dual pneumococcal and seasonal influenza vaccination during a pandemic caused by novel pandemic influenza A (H1N1) – Tuen-Ching Chan
	Risk factors and outcome of contamination in patients on peritoneal dialysis- a single centre experience in 15 years – Desmond Yap
	Clinical and Neuroradiological Features of Viral Encephalitis - A Hospital-Based Study – Gary Lau
14:55 – 15:35	Plenary Session II  Chairman: Prof Hung-Fat Tse Prof Wen-Harn Pan, Director for Division of Preventive Medicine and Health Services Research, National Health Research Institutes, Taiwan
	Genomics of Taiwan Young-Onset Hypertension Study
15:35 – 15:55	Coffee Break - Exhibition Area
15:55 – 16:55	Oral Session IV - Clinical Research (II) Chairmen: Drs David Lam & Yu-Hung Leung
	Neoadjuvant systemic treatment followed by breast conserving surgery is effective in Asian Stage II and III breast cancer patients – Roland Leung
	Plasma Lipocalin-2 Concentration is Related to Blood Pressure and is Increased in Hypertension – Bernard Cheung
	Myocardial structural alteration and systolic dysfunction in preclinical hypertrophic cardiomyopathy mutation carriers – Kai-Hang Yiu
	Continuous entecavir for treatment-naïve chronic hepatitis B: the Four-year results – Wai-Kay Seto
16:55 - 17:00	Closing remarks by Dr Eric Tse, Chairman of 17 <sup>th</sup> MRC