



CUHK Appoints New Vice-Chancellor

The Council of The Chinese University of Hong Kong announced the appointment of Prof. Arthur K.C. Li as vice-chancellor of the University with effect from 1st August 1996, to succeed Prof. Charles K. Kao after the latter's retirement on 31st July 1996. An internationally-renowned surgeon, Prof. Li is currently dean of the Faculty of Medicine of the University.

Following the announcement of Prof. Kao's retirement, a Search Committee was established in November 1994 to advise the University Council on the appointment of Prof. Kao's successor. After a diligent world-wide search, the Search Committee received 30 nominations and applications. Among these very outstanding nominees and applicants are some of the very distinguished academics from Hong Kong and overseas, with profound experience in higher education management. Having carefully and rigorously considered the available candidates, the Search Committee unanimously recommended that Prof. Arthur K. C. Li be appointed by the University Council as the next vice-chancellor of the University.

Since October 1987, under the vice-chancellorship

of Prof. Kao, the University has continued to grow from strength to strength. The two new Faculties of Education and Engineering have been added to the original five faculties. The scope and content of the academic programmes at both the undergraduate and postgraduate levels have been enhanced in response to the new and changing community needs. Seven new research institutes have been established to promote interdisciplinary research within the University as well as in conjunction with other institutions. With the improved quality of teaching and research programmes, the University is able to attract a large proportion of the most outstanding students into its studies programmes.

To cope with such rapid expansion and the demand for higher efficiency, the management system of the University has been reorganized with decentralization of the University functions to the faculties and a greater emphasis on accountability and quality control. Major efforts have also been made to strengthen the academic linkages with centres of excellence worldwide and liaison with commerce and industry. This University is privileged to have a team of very capable and dedicated

teachers and staff members as well as an increasing number of alumni and benefactors who will continue to cherish and support the University's cause.

As the fourth vice-chancellor of the Chinese University, Prof. Arthur K.C. Li will lead the University into the 21st century. He will continue to build on the firm foundation laid by his predecessors to prepare the University for greater responsibilities locally and internationally. The Chinese University of Hong Kong, with its unique mission and distinctive intellectual and cultural traditions, will continue to develop as a comprehensive modern university, as a citadel of learning and academic freedom, as a centre of excellence that explores, transmits and disseminates knowledge through its research, teaching and publication programmes, and as an institution that operates with efficiency, quality and a sense of purpose within the global academic community. As a modern university, the Chinese University is playing the important role of a knowledge pool to service the community at large. The Chinese University is a university that provides leadership in higher education in Hong Kong and the neighbouring region.

Narrative Summary of the Curriculum Vitae of Prof. Arthur K.C. Li

Personal Background

Prof. Arthur K.C. Li was born into the fourth generation of an established Hong Kong family with a well-known strong tradition of public service. He had a classical Chinese upbringing and his education up to secondary school was entirely in Hong Kong.

Nurtured in the spirit of service to others, Prof. Li chooses to pursue a medical career and undertook the broader Natural Sciences Tripos path to medicine provided by Cambridge University. He chooses surgery because of the challenge and satisfaction of being able to do something skilful and positive for a sick person and see positive results.

He continued his postgraduate training in England until a scholarship enabled him to work at Harvard Medical School and Massachusetts General Hospital, Boston, USA where he furthered his specialist training. He chose hepatobiliary and upper gastrointestinal surgery because of the high incidence of these diseases and the need for such surgical expertise in Hong Kong. He was able to extend his experience by being appointed in 1980 to a consultant post at the Royal Free Hospital, London, which was at that time well known for its hepatobiliary work.

Academic Achievements

Prof. Li has always striven for excellence, and tangible recognitions of this quest have been the award of the European Society for Surgical Research Prize (1980) followed by the Moynihan Medal of the Association of Surgeons of Great Britain and Ireland (1982). Both these awards were and are competed for by many well-established surgeons from many countries. He is particularly proud that he managed to achieve these honours early in his career. Since then he has been granted honorary fellowships of several surgical colleges and renowned surgical associations, and honorary professorships at many academic institutions especially in China. He has been invited to deliver numerous eponymous lectures at prestigious overseas universities and keynote addresses at international congresses. He has continued to research on hepatobiliary and upper gastrointestinal subjects and has published to date over 200

original articles in peer review journals, numerous book chapters and abstracts.

Career Development

Personal excellence however cannot reach all the patients in need and having benefited from his own education, tutors and mentors, it was with great joy and anticipation that he took up the post of the Foundation Chair of Surgery at The Chinese University of Hong Kong in 1982. This was a great opportunity to extend the achievement of excellence with and through others.

Starting from scratch, with the teaching hospital not even completed, Prof. Li led the Department of Surgery into being amongst the best recognized surgical centres in the world within a decade.

The department has so far produced seven full professors and over 35 consultant surgeons in Hong Kong and overseas. The department has one of the best academic research records in terms of publication output and awards of competitive grants.

In 1992 Prof. Li was invited by his professional colleagues to take on the deanship of the Medical Faculty, yet another opportunity to contribute to the improvement of teaching and training.

Over the past three years the faculty has established itself as the leading academic unit in Hong Kong. This has even been recognized publicly by an independent public poll and published in the press. The faculty has had more research projects approved and funding awarded than any other faculty in Hong Kong. At the last award of competitive grants in the area of Medicine, Dentistry and Health from the University Grants Committee, the faculty gained 55 per cent of all funding while the remaining 45 per cent was shared among other tertiary institutions.

The Faculty of Medicine has gone from strength to strength under the leadership of Prof. Li although he warmly admits the valuable foundations laid by his predecessors and the broad education he has received spanning the world and three cultures. Prof. Li believes his international perspective has helped in forging a team out of ar

international hot pot. It is his conviction that no faculty or university can strive for excellence today without appreciating the value of taking the best from the world market.

Administrative Experience

Having run a department of surgery, a faculty of medicine, and both teaching and non-teaching hospitals, Prof. Li has gained extensive experience in managing large and complex organizations which even include non-academic institutions.

When the Hong Kong government formed the Hospital Authority to revamp the health services, he was appointed onto the Board and was in charge of the Structure and Management Committee to reform previous practices. The management initiatives have been so successful that the committee evolved to become the Organisation Development Committee of which he was the vice-chairman.

Continuing in the spirit of public service of his family, Prof. Li took up the responsibilities of chairman of the Hospital Governing Committee of the United Christian Hospital and the United Christian Medical Services. The hospital and medical services are run under a charitable organization and have limited resources. He undertook a programme to upgrade the services with a new extension block and the re-building of the old block. The net result was the transformation of a 675-bed hospital into a 1,300-acute-bed tertiary referral centre.

Prof. Li also sits on a number of charitable trusts supported by very large endowment funds. These trusts fund educational pursuits and support specific projects and training. He has the necessary financial understanding that ensures wise management of these funds.

In essence Prof. Li is happiest in any situations where he can achieve excellence in the service to others, whether they are patients, doctors, researchers, students, or the community at large. Last year he was appointed as a Hong Kong Affairs Advisor to China.

Prof. Li is 50 years old and is married with two sons.



香港中文大學委任新校長

香港中文大學校董會宣布委任李國章教授為校長，由一九九六年八月一日起，接替於一九九六年七月三十一日榮休的高錕教授出掌校政。李教授現任中大醫學院院長，是一位享譽國際的外科醫學專家。

中大於去年底公布現任校長高錕教授將於明年七月底退休，隨即依例選出遴選委員會，就下任校長人選向校董會作出建議。遴選委員會向全球廣泛徵求合適人選，共有三十位人士應徵或獲提名，供遴選委員會考慮。其中大部分是來自本地或海外的傑出學人，都擁有管理大學的豐富經驗。遴選委員會審慎地考慮各應徵者及獲提名者後，一致決定推薦李國章教授出任新校長。

高錕教授於一九八七年十月出任校長。香港中

文大學在其悉心培育下，日益壯大成長，教育學院與工程學院相繼成立，連同原有的五個學院，為本科生及研究生提供更多與更充實的課程，配合轉變中的社會需要。同時，中文大學增設七所新研究所，以加強校內與友校之間跨學科的研究工作。隨著教學與研究的質素不斷提高，中大吸引眾多的優秀學生入學。

面對大學的快速擴展，並為提高效率，中文大學的管理制度已全面革新與重組。大學實施分權管理，把更多權責下放至各學院，並且強調各單位必須承擔責任與保證質素。中大復致力於加強與世界各地的優秀學術中心建立聯繫，以及與工商界合作發展。中文大學很榮幸有一批既能幹且熱心工作的教師與職員，並有愈來愈多的校友與捐贈者支持大

學的活動。

作為香港中文大學第四任校長，李國章教授將領導中大邁進二十一世紀。在幾位前任校長所奠立的穩固基礎上，他將策動中文大學迎接來自本地與國際學術界更重大的挑戰。中文大學本著其獨特的使命，以及有特色的文化傳統，將繼續是一所與時代並進的綜合大學，以及維護學術自由的文化堡壘。藉著研究、教學與學術出版，中大將不斷探索和傳揚知識，努力發展成一個卓越學術中心。此外，作為一所現代化大學，中大在社會策劃與提供資訊方面扮演著重要的角色，貢獻良多。中文大學將繼續為一所兼顧效率與質素，並有重大使命感與廣闊國際視野的大學，在香港及鄰近地區的高等教育發展中發揮領導作用。

李國章教授簡歷

李國章教授生於香港，現年五十歲，已婚，有兩子。李家原籍廣東鶴山，後定居香港，至李教授已是第四代。李教授在香港聖保羅男女中學接受小學及中學教育；十六歲中學畢業後負笈英倫，先後肄業於Uppingham School、劍橋大學英皇書院，及倫敦Middlesex Hospital Medical School。醫科畢業後，繼續進修專科及從事研究工作。嗣後，李教授在英國行醫與授課。一九七七至八零年間，李教授榮獲研究獎學金赴美國哈佛大學醫學院及波士頓麻省總醫院深造及講學。李教授專攻肝、膽、胰及上腹腔外科手術，立志學以致用，日後返港服務。一九八零年李教授受聘於倫敦Royal Free Hospital為顧問醫生。翌年，獲劍橋大學頒予醫學博士學位。

一九八零年，三十五歲的李教授在學術方面已卓有成就，獲頒European Society for Surgical Research Prize；繼於一九八二年獲英國及愛爾蘭外科學會(The Association of Surgeons of Great Britain and Ireland)頒授Moynihan Medal。榮獲此兩項大獎者，俱為各國傑出的外科醫生。此後，李教授屢獲獎譽，榮膺多個外科學院及外科學會的名譽院士及會士銜；並擔任國內及海外多所知名醫科大學的名譽教授或訪問學人，主持重要的講演；更經常應邀擔任國際學術會議主講嘉賓。最近，李教授獲委為澳洲昆士蘭省布里斯本大學的Edward Tooth Professor，蘇格蘭格拉斯哥皇家內科及外科醫學院名譽院士，及愛爾蘭都柏林大學聖三一學院Edward Hallaran Bennett Lecturer。李教授著作豐富，曾出版十多種醫學專著、二百多篇論文，並擔任多種國際著名學報的編輯。

李國章教授多年來致力於醫學教育及研究，並以治病療傷、栽培醫術醫德兼優的學生為職志。一九八

二年，學家返港後，李教授加入香港中文大學剛成立的醫學院，出任外科學系創系講座教授。經過十多年耕耘，中大外科學系迅速發展，現已公認為國際知名的外科中心。中大外科學系至今栽培了七位講座教授，及超過三十五位在本港或海外服務的外科顧問醫生。從學術出版，獲取獎項，以及競逐科研經費的傑出表現來衡量，中大外科學系的卓著成績，有目共睹。

一九九二年及一九九五年，李教授兩度膺選醫學院院長。今年，中大醫學院成立剛滿十五年，在幾位前任院長所奠立的穩固基礎上，李院長全力策動，使醫學院發展成爲一所擁有完善課程、優秀師資、一流設備，以及能培訓出色學生的學院。目前中大醫學院設有二十一個學系，每年招收本科生三百三十名及研究生約一百名。全院教師二百二十名，皆為來自世界各地最優秀的專科人材。中大醫學院近年增辦護理學系、藥劑學系及創辦全港首個眼科及視覺科學學系，在專科診治與研究方面成績驕人。學院新近在沙田威爾斯親王醫院內建成了一所擁有一流設施的香港癌症研究中心，又設立為病患者提供全面醫療服務的兒童脊柱裂綜合專科診所，並開辦本港首個皮膚庫和內鏡外科培訓中心，這些都為本港病患者提供最現代的醫療服務。

在李院長的大力推動下，中大醫學院近年來持續發展新的醫學研究領域，成績斐然，多方面取得突破。傑出的成果，包括用新方法診斷和治療癌症，特別是肝癌和鼻咽癌的防治，應用新外科手術治理燒傷，成功進行小兒近親肝臟移植手術，研究及引進多項最先進的內鏡外科手術及兒童骨髓移植手術，開創香港耳瓣手術，以及人工輔助生育研究小組多項創香港紀錄的人工受孕成功個案。這些卓越成績，使香港的醫科能躋身亞太區，以至世界同類手術的領導地位。

此外，中大醫學院在競逐大學教育資助委員會研究撥款方面，成績良佳，例如最近在該會撥給各高等院校之醫科、牙科和衛生研究款項之中，中大醫學院所佔比例高達總額的五成半。

過去十三年，李教授盡心盡力服務中大，在教學、科研、行政、醫療與服務各方面貢獻傑出。李教授自一九八三年起即出任大學校董，並擔任大學教務會委員、聯合書院校董與院務委員，以及校內多個委員會的主席或成員，參與大學決策工作。李教授熟悉大學事務，行政經驗豐富，曾掌理中大外科學系、醫學院、教學醫院及其他醫院，對管理龐大的教育與非教育機構，甚有心得。李教授為人正直、敢言，並且幹勁十足，能啟發和幫助其他同事，也樂於與學生加強聯繫。在籌募款項匡助醫學院、外科學系以及大學整體發展方面，李教授亦有卓著成績。過去十二年來，他為大學籌款逾五千萬港元。

李教授為香港外科醫學院院長，並曾任香港外科醫學會會長。此外，李教授曾擔任多項重要公職，其中包括大學及理工教育資助委員會委員、教育統籌委員會委員、科技委員會委員及該會屬下生物科技小組委員會主席。李教授亦服務臨時醫院管理局、醫院管理局及香港醫務委員會、香港醫學專科學院及基督教聯合醫院醫務協會董事會等。去年，李教授獲委為港事顧問。

李教授秉承其家族仁風廣被的優良傳統，一向熱心公共服務，協助多個社會機構及慈善團體的工作。例如，他任基督教聯合醫院管理委員會主席，匡助這所非牟利醫院興建新翼及重建舊院，使該院的病床數目由原來的六百七十五張增加至一千三百張，成爲一所設備優良的地方醫院。

李教授復參與多個龐大的慈善信託基金之信託管理工作，促進教育發展，及資助其他專項計劃，造福社會。