CU Researchers Win Recognition and Funding Support

**Medical Student and Scientist Receive AACR Young Investigators Award**

Two members of the Nasopharyngeal Carcinoma Research Group of the University's Department of Anatomical and Cellular Pathology, Mr. Andrew S.C. Chan and Dr. Wang Guoli, were recently awarded the Young Investigators Award by the American Association for Cancer Research (AACR).

AACR selects outstanding scientists in cancer research during its annual meetings. These awards enable them to present their papers at the AACR annual meeting and give them the opportunity to forge relationships with scientists around the world.

This year 26 presenters of meritorious abstracts from Asia have been selected by the AACR Programme Committee to receive the 1999 Young Investigators Awards at the annual meeting held in Philadelphia. Three of them were from Hong Kong and two are members of The Chinese University.

Mr. Andrew S.C. Chan is a graduate student researching 'Genetically Abnormal Clones in Normal Nasopharyngeal Epithelium from Southern Chinese' under the supervision of Prof. Joseph C.K. Lee. Dr. Wang Guoli is working on 'Inhibiting Tumorigenic Potential by Restoring Functional p16 in NPC Cells'.

**Four Projects Receive Grants from the Croucher Foundation**

Four faculty members of CUHK have applied successfully to the Croucher Foundation for funding support of their projects. They are:

- **Advanced Study Institute: Neural and Evolutionary Computations for Spatial Data Analysis (HKS$100,000)**
  - Principal investigator: Prof. Leung Yee

- **The Eighth International Symposium of the Society of Chinese Biologists in America (HKS$100,000)**
  - Organizer: Prof. K.P. Fung for the Department of Biochemistry

- **Recent Advances in the Diagnosis and Management of Cancer — A Joint Symposium of the Hong Kong Cancer Institute and the International Academy of Tumour Marker Oncology (HKS$100,000)**
  - Organizer: Prof. Philip Johnson for the Department of Clinical Oncology

- **The 20th Asian Conference of Remote Sensing (HKS$100,000)**
  - Organizer: Prof. Lin Hui for the Joint Laboratory for Geoinformation Science

**Physiology Project Receives Support from Population Council, USA**

A n investigation of the chloride channel blocking effects of Lonidamine and its derivatives in the rat epididymis by Prof. Patrick Wong, professor of physiology, has been awarded a grant of US$2,000 by the Population Council of the United States.

Teleconference Between Faculty of Medicine and Shantou University

The Faculty of Medicine and Shantou University Medical College were linked on 6th May for the first ever telemedicine conference between the two universities.

The conference was held to commemorate the opening of the Orthopaedic Learning Centre of the faculty which was made possible by generous donations from Dr. Li Ka Shing and other donors.

At the Shantou end, distinguished participants included Dr. Li Ka Shing himself, Mr. Lin Xingsheng and Mr. Zhuang Lixiang, both vice-chairmen of Shantou University Council, Mr. Zhou Rifang, mayor of Shantou City and chancellor of the Shantou University Council, Prof. P.C. Leung, professor of orthopaedics and traumatology at CUHK, as well as Prof. Bruce Ponder from Cambridge University, who was attending Shantou University's first Visiting Scholar Programme.

At the Prince of Wales Hospital, representing the Faculty of Medicine were Profs. Joseph C.K. Lee, Sydney Chung, Jack Chong, and Magnus Hjelm.

During the conference, faculty members of the Department of Orthopaedics and Traumatology introduced case illustration the limb lengthening technique in the treatment of severe limb length inequality in children. The role of the rehabilitation team, consisting of the physiotherapist, occupational therapist, and prosthetist-orthotist, in the management of such cases was explained. The use of CAD/CAM technology in the manufacturing of brace for the treatment of adolescent idiopathic scoliosis was also demonstrated.

Children Transcend Language and Distance in Virtual Classroom

The University and AT&T are introducing 'Virtual Classroom 1999-2000'. The theme of this year's programme is 'Empowering the Next Generation' and it will aim at heightening the awareness of integrating technology into the Hong Kong education system.

Now in its third year, the AT&T-funded programme is a contest aimed at promoting communication and collaboration among school children across the globe. Students in Hong Kong and countries around the world communicate via the Internet and work on a common project. Last year the contest drew together 8,000 students worldwide from 300 schools, who worked in teams of three schools each for five months and created some 100 virtual classroom websites based on themes of their own choice. For this reason the programme is also known as 'A Classroom Without Walls'.

This year AT&T is partnering with the University to expand the programme by introducing a new element aimed at raising the awareness of environmental protection among students worldwide.

WHO Meeting Addresses Exercise for the Elderly

Delegates from 17 countries representing the World Health Organization, international associations, and non-governmental organizations gathered in Hong Kong to identify strategies in promoting physical activity among the elderly population at the international meeting of WHO partners on active ageing. The meeting was hosted by the CUHK World Health Organization Collaborating Centre for Sports Medicine and Health Promotion from 30th April to 1st May.

At the meeting attention was drawn to the high level of physical inactivity among the elderly in Hong Kong despite notable evidence of the health benefits of physical activity. It was concluded that older persons have a right to be provided with opportunities to be physically active, and society has an obligation to provide the means for older persons to exercise these rights.
Biotechnology Research for Better Food and Health

Prof. Samuel Sun introduces the University’s research on plant and fungal biotechnology.

Plant and fungal biotechnology has been identified as an area of excellence in the Faculty of Science and the University’s Department of Biology. The University has established a research and teaching centre in state-of-the-art plant and fungal biotechnology with representatives from the University of Hong Kong, the Hong Kong University of Science and Technology, and Baptist University as associate members.

The new centre will aim at generating crops with improved yield and quality; producing high-value pharmaceutical, health, and food products; developing novel technologies that can be transferred to the industrial sector, and training innovative and skilled technologists. By the end of the 1998-2001 triennium the centre expects to deliver new species of plants and new strains of fungi with economic potential; gene libraries for selected plant and fungal species; and food products; developing novel technologies that can be transferred to the industrial sector, and training innovative and skilled technologists. By the end of the 1998-2001 triennium the centre expects to deliver new species of plants and new strains of fungi with economic potential; gene libraries for selected plant and fungal species; and food products; developing novel technologies that can be transferred to the industrial sector, and training innovative and skilled technologists.

The Department of Biology has also founded a Joint Lab on Plant Genetic Engineering in collaboration with Peking University, and established extensive collaborations with mainland Chinese agricultural research units such as the National Hybrid Rice Research and Development centre, the Chinese Academy of Sciences, China Agricultural Society, and the National Engineering Research Centre for Vegetables.

Web-enhanced Learning

A seminar on "Innovative Uses of the Web to Enhance Learning" was held by the Computer Services Centre/Information Technology Service Unit on 18th May.

Tackle the Y2K Problem Now

From the Computer Services Centre:

It is only 210 days from Year 2000. At the turn of the millennium, all computer users in the world will face the same danger — their computer systems may not work properly.

In order to save expensive disk storage and speed up program execution, most computer programs, especially those that have been used for a long time, have been using only two digits to represent the year (e.g., "97" for "1997") when dealing with calendar dates. The two-digit year field can be found in operating systems, microcodes, compilers, middleware, application packages, in-house developed applications, screen formats, and databases. At the turn of the millennium, problem programs will be unable to interpret the digits ‘00’ as the Year 2000, but as Year 1900 instead. If the two-digit year field is handled incorrectly, these programs will fail, or, at the very least, fail to operate properly. In other words these types of programs are not Y2K compliant.

The problem is not confined to software. Hardware devices, which depend on internal electronic logic to handle dates, may encounter the same problem. Therefore you should check if your computer software and hardware are Y2K compliant to avoid any loss of precious data and document files, and to ensure that your future work will not be hindered by the breakdown of software and hardware.

Check Your Hardware and Software

Academic and administration units should check whether all computer hardware and accompanying systems have been examined either by the staff of the Computer Services Centre or by your LAN administrator for Y2K compliance status. CSC/ITSU began to test all the PCs in early 1998 and has informed all departments to perform the same test for departmental machines. PCs that pass the test have been marked with a colour label reflecting its Y2K compliance status. Checking hardware should hear a green, yellow, or red label. A green label confirms that the hardware is Y2K compliant. A yellow label indicates that some critical adjustment of the system clock is needed at the turn of the century to make the hardware Y2K compliant. A red label means that the hardware is not Y2K compliant and cannot be fixed; it should be replaced.

If the Y2K compliance status of the unit’s computer hardware and software (both the operating system and applications) has not been verified, the unit can consult the appropriate staff of the Computer Services Centre/Information Technology Service Unit (see below) or the software and hardware vendors.

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If you have any critical non-Y2K compliant hardware or software that cannot be fixed, you should replace it with Y2K compliant substitutes using your department or unit budget. You should act as soon as possible, as the University’s fiscal year ends on 30th June. Beware that you are already running out of time!

Work Out Your Contingency Plan

No one really knows what will happen when the clock ticks into the new millennium. However, one thing is certain — if you have made a contingency plan for your business applications, the damage will be minimized should these applications fail to work. The essence of a contingency plan is to prepare for possible failures of business applications. You should work out a contingency plan for all your critical business functions, regardless whether or not they have been made Y2K compliant.

Furthermore, the single most important thing you must do is part of any contingency plan is to make a full backup copy of all your data by 31st December 1999. This is because non-compliant applications may damage your data, and this backup will be a last defence for your data should that happen. Lastly, we would like to suggest that all departments should not perform important work on our servers and the e-mail systems between 31st December 1999 and 2nd January 2000. We may need to shut down our systems when carrying out comprehensive checking. Further details about the down time will be announced in late November and you can contact your LAN administrators with any inquiry before or during this period.

In the next issue of the CUHK Newsletter, we will let you know about the contingency plan of the centre. You may also take it as a reference in planning for your department. Please refer to the Y2K homepage (http://www.cuhk.edu.hk/y2k) or CSC/ITSU Digest (http://www.cuhk.edu.hk/csc/digest) for the latest information.
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Acting Appointment

Prof. K.S. Lau, chairman of the Department of Mathematics, is on leave from 4th June to 1st August 1999. During his leave of absence, Prof. Au Kwok-kung (4th–27th June) and Prof. Tung Luen-fai (28th June–1st August) have been appointed as acting chairmen.

Hong Kong and Guangdong Perspectives of College English Teaching

The English Language Teaching Unit will hold the First Regional Conference on College English Teaching jointly with the College English Teaching and Research Association of Guangdong from 15th to 17th June 1999. The theme of the conference is "Effective College English Teaching in the Chinese Context". For more information visit the Website: http://www.cuhk.edu.hk/elcconference/ or contact Ms. Esther Yan at 2609 7559, fax 2603 3157, or email estheryan@cuhk.edu.hk.

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Service to the Community and International Organizations

- Prof. Young Yue Man, professor of geography, has been re-appointed as chairman of the Land and Building Advisory Committee for reasons of clarity, length or grammar. Those who do not want to have their articles amended should indicate clearly in writing.

- Prof. Arthur K.C. Li, Vice-Chancellor, has been invited to continue his membership of the Academic Board of the University of Hong Kong for the period 1999-2002.

- Mrs. Clara Lee, Director of Student Affairs, has been appointed by the Secretary for Education and Manpower as the institutional representative of CUHK in the Joint Selection Board of the Ho Leung Ho Lee Foundation until 2002.

- Prof. Joseph Lau, professor of surgery, has been appointed honorary professor by the Second Military Medical University in Shanghai from March 1999.

- Prof. Stephen Chung, professor in the Department of Educational Administration and Policy, has been appointed as a clinical member of the American Association for Marriage and Family Therapy (AAMFT) from 4th September 1999.

- Prof. Lawrence Wong, associate professor in the Department of Medicine and Therapeutics, has been appointed by the Chinese Medical Association as a board member of the editorial board of the Chinese Journal of Neurology from 8th February 1999.

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樂在中大廿五年
大學圖書館系統羅劉翠紅

當年的少女——我，剛踏出校門便加入中大圖書館服務，從這時起默默工作，從建立家庭，到子女成人人，這一切都與中大發展同步並進，可以這樣說：「中大是我的家！」

屈指一算，二十五年了！這畢竟不是一段短的日子！當年我連中大在哪裡都不知道呢？主要是所學的知識僅限於書本學科，而且可以說是書本學科，知識結晶之餘全賴學校借書，我這個人平時忙於借書的活動而已，同圖書館的同事們相當少接觸，更不要說到圖書館工作了。而在這二十五年來的職業歷程，卻又如何的多姿多彩，又是愛又恨的經歷。

我以我學以致用的校園環境，對我有種吸引力的工作條件，我樂在其中，不知你是否也有同感呢？

愛恨交纏
聯合圖書館陳易娟儀

二十五年確是一段漫長的時間。胡忠圖書館是我這二十五年來不斷團團轉的地方，她陪著我成長，也陪著我改變。她由一個以人手運作的傳統圖書館轉化為一個先進的電子資訊圖書館，期間我要不停地學習。對比二十五年前和現在的工作方式，是完全改變了。還好，今天的我，沒有被難倒，仍可在資訊世界的工作中應付自如。回想二十五年來的轉變歷程，卻又恍如昨天的事，是又愛又恨的經歷。

珍惜
電算機服務中心梁鄧美霞

回顧初加入中大時，我很喜歡這兒鳥語花香，遠離塵囂的環境。當時的電腦部門設於范克廉樓，只有十多名職員，還未能稱得上是一個電腦中心。那裡只有幾部電腦打孔機，一部讀卡機，及一部列印機，而主機是設於尖沙咀東英大廈供港大、理工和中大合用的電腦中心。中大的電腦部門經過廿多年的發展，現已規模宏大，致力協助其他部門電腦化，我更親睹中大大學電網及超級電腦的發展過程。而我最感幸運的，是能與一班很好的同事一起工作，非常愉快。我也在不知不覺間在中大渡過廿多年，我非常珍惜這段歲月。

工作愉快
化學系邱李彩珠

我在大學工作不經不覺已廿五年有多。我一直在化學系工作，同事對我都非常之好，我很開心。

兒女經
大學圖書館系統熊堅榮

有時聽同事分享「兒女經」，他們都有相同的感慨：兒女日漸成長，身體健壯，而自己就日漸衰殘。話是這麼說，他們仍是開心的。

這好比員工與中大的關係中大早期的電話遇大雨天失靈；在圖書館借書要填表，借三十本要填三十份表；崇基的舊建築群處處皆是……這些已成為歷史。現在的電話系統多麼先進，不虞失靈；借書只須經電子掃描，簡單便捷；新的教學樓群矗立崇基校園——中大確成長了。期盼中大人傑輩出，邁向新紀元。
六十位同事荣獲長期服務獎

一九九八至九九年度共有六十位同事榮獲長期服務獎，打破歷年紀錄。頒獎禮兼聚餐於上月十四日在大學賓館舉行，由李國章校長主持。出席禮賓及獲獎者近百人，包括得獎者及其家屬，以及部門主管，氣氛熱鬧。

李校長致辭時代表校方感謝得獎者把近三分之一的人生貢獻給大學，並與中大一起經歷風雨，一起成長。他希望同人繼續努力，協助建設中大成為國際一流的大學。李校長隨後逐一頒獎予四十名親領獎項的得獎者，並合照留念。

本屆得獎名單已載於《中大通訊》第一四七期。部分得獎者更應本刊之邀，或撰寫文稿或寄來照片，讓大學同人分享他們廿五年來的工作點滴和得獎心情，本刊謹此致謝。由於篇幅所限，本期只能刊登部分照片和心聲，其餘的於下期刊登。

二十五年長期服務有感

日本研究學系余均灼

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「政治分析」是一門出了名難唸而且不好拿分數的選修科目。我十幾年前教過幾次，最近三年又重新執教。當年的學生真可愛，求知慾強，好問，指定的參考讀物看了一遍又一遍，現在的經驗大不相同。學生的入學考試成績高了，求知慾卻下降了，無論老師如何點撥，靈光閃閃學生都答不出來。指定的參考讀物一年比一年多，但我沒有東西大眾所喜的學生似乎太少。

當然，我努力讀書時，學生不會坐著。今屆為了購買學生讀書，我決定於學期開始後的七週，每週授課前先指定讀物做測驗，結果大大都答得對，因此對課堂上講的東西比較容易明白，整堂課的討論也比較有深度。是好，但好回去，學生下半部因為沒有測驗，絕大多數的學生又不看書了。我們非常不開心，但也有沒有辦法。

記得上課第一天宣布會有測驗之後，原來有七十四人選修的課，學生只到四十八人，真是不知所措。所以這門課就只能下士，二、三十人，若我不設測驗就不去嗎？因為系的預算經費有相當部分是根據選課的人數決定的，我總不能為了要學生讀書而嚇跑學系的顧客呀！今年為了要學生讀書，我決定於學期開始後的七週，每週授課前先指定讀物做測驗。結果大大都答得對，因此對課堂上講的東西比較容易明白，整堂課的討論也比較有深度。是好，但我還是不開心，但也有沒有辦法。

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滿足

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「誰言寸草心，報得三春暉？」這分別是與我執教的第一批學生(上)和將於今年畢業的學生(下)的畢業照。我總不能為了要學生讀書而嚇跑學系的顧客呀！今年為了要學生讀書，我決定於學期開始後的七週，每週授課前先指定讀物做測驗。結果大大都答得對，因此對課堂上講的東西比較容易明白，整堂課的討論也比較有深度。是好，但我還是不開心，但也有沒有辦法。

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宗教系上月十五日假李冠春堂舉辦「倫理科、公民科及宗教科優質教案獎勵計劃」頒獎典禮，表揚在有關科目教案製作上有傑出表現的教師。得獎者來自新生命教育協...
居港權研究結果

特區政府四月廿八日在立法會公布，有居港權的內地人數超過一百六十七萬；另於五月六日宣稱，若所有合資格的內地人士來港，將會使政府未來十年增加公共開支達七千一百億元。這連串數字使終審法院裁決衍生的法治、民生問題，再次成為社會關注的焦點。

社會科學院的跨學系研究小組自三月開始，一直就「居港權」作多方面的探討，於三月十一日率先公布「市民對終審庭裁決看法」的調查結果（見《中大通訊》第一四三期）；五月初更多次公布三項研究成果，重點內容如下：

「市民對居港權爭論及政府表現看法」電話調查

與三月十一日公布的調查相比，這項跟進研究顯示政府公布內地居港權人數後，市民的態度受到影響，認為「社會整體利益」較「人權法治」重要的比率大幅攀升，由上次約五成增加至五月初的七成二。調查主持黃偉豪教授（政政系）表示，市民明顯被政府公布的數字嚇怕了，對問題的擔憂程度加深。該系參與調查的黃錦就教授認為，調查結果反映了市民對法治的概念是務實的，但他強調：「法律並不是討價還價的。」

「內地新來港青少年的學業、心理及家庭狀況之研究」

這項研究由社工系蔡冠華教授，心理學系的梁永亮、何淑嫻和Catherine McBride等教授合作，於五月十一日公布結果：內地新來港青少年（中二或中三學生）的中文及數學水平普遍較本地學生為佳，英文科成績則相若，這打破了一般人認為前者的學業水平較差的看法。此外，新來港青少年的品行亦較良好，違規行為較少，但值得關注的是，他們有較多情緒問題，例如容易感到緊張和不快。研究人員建議政府加强這方面的支援服務。至於家庭內的溝通、決策和解決問題等方面，新來港人士家庭不見得比本地家庭有更多的困難和問題。

「居港權問題對本港失業、工資及人口的影響」（註）

經濟學系廖柏偉、張俊森、莊太量及梁嘉銳等教授從理論分析了「新移民」對失業和工資的影響，並佐以以色列移民潮、古巴難民赴美國邁亞密，以及香港八十年代初的越南難民經驗。港府估計第一代港人內地子女來港，失業率將上升十個百分點。研究人員均認為這是過於簡單的計算，若首批七十萬人未來三年全數來港，只會令失業率上升九至十個百分點。但新移民卻可增加內地需求，剌激投資，帶動工資和就業職位上升。他們也指出，新移民會對社會整體帶來財政負擔。除法理層面的討論外，他們在五月十一日的記者會上，亦提出多項建議供政府參考，包括修改現行綜援規定、請求內地保留來港移民的戶籍等。他們又指出，在考慮如何處理這個問題時，人道主義（家庭團聚）與經濟發展之間應作出平衡。

「居港權」的爭論牽涉的課題甚廣，透過上述的探討，社會科學院希望收到拋磚引玉之效，引發各界人士就此繼續發表意見。

註：廖柏偉教授在五月十一日立法會內務委員會會議上，提出了這項研究的部分觀點，供政府參考。政府於五月十八日公布由人大解釋《基本法》，作為解決居港權問題的方法。