The HKSN Annual Scientific Meeting was held on 7th October, 2012 at Kowloon Shangrila Hotel. The program was well received and the response of attendance was considerable with 397 doctors and nurses & 4 research students from mainland.

Prof. Giuseppe REMUZZI, Director of the Immunology and Clinical Transplantation, Director of Nephrology and Dialysis Division at the Ospedali Riuniti di Bergamo, Italy and ISN President Elect, was the invited Keynote speaker.

Richard Yu Endowment Fund Award Lecture was delivered by Prof. Giuseppe REMUZZI namely: “Remission regression of chronic kidney diseases and the case of kidney self repair”. He also gave the keynote lecture titled “HUS-TTP: everything has changed in the last ten years but still a lot to do”.

Chan Woon Cheung Memorial Fund Award Lecture was delivered by the awardee Prof. Fan Fan HOU (侯凡凡教授), Division of Nephrology, Nanfang Hospital, Southern Medical University, Guangdong Provincial Institute of Nephrology, Guangzhou, China, on “Albumin oxidized damage in CKD: role in the pathogenesis of renal progression”.

Other speakers and their lectures in the program were

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HKSN Research Grants 2012 were presented at the ASM. Six awards for basic science and clinical research were granted. The project titled “the mechanism of kidney injury molecule-1 shedding in diabetic nephropathy” proposed by Ms. Ai Ing LIM from the University of Hong Kong received the highest score and was awarded The
Joint HKSN & HK Kidney Foundation Award amounted $60,000. The other recipients were Ms. Ruixi LI, Dr. Desmond YH YAP, Dr. Ming Yee MOK, Prof. Sydney CW TANG and Ms. Yun Ho HUI.

The 2012 awards of Richard Yu Endowment Fund Award was awarded to Prof. Giuseppe REMUZZI and the Chan Woon Cheung Memorial Fund Award to Prof. Fan Fan HOU (侯凡凡教授).

Prof G REMUZZI (middle) received the Award from Prof Richard YU & Dr CB LEUNG

Prof FF HOU (侯凡凡教授) (right 2) received the Award from Dr. WK CHAN (son of late Dr Woon Cheung CHAN), Dr CB LEUNG & Dr KS CHOI

Dr CB LEUNG, Chairman of HKSN

Prof R YU, senior advisor, received commemorative plaque from Dr CB LEUNG, Chairman of HKSN
Prof. HY Wang & Dr. Li Yang (Beijing) and Dr. Nelson LEUNG (USA) were the external reviewers and the following applications were successful in obtaining the 2012 HKSN Research Grants with the titles of their project as follows:

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HKSN Research Grant

The HKSN Research Grant 2013 is now opened.

Application must be submitted before 30 June 2013 to Dr. Hon Lok TANG, Consultant Physician, Department of Medicine & Geriatrics, Princess Margaret Hospital, 2-10 Princess Margaret Hospital Road, NT. E-mail: tanghl@ha.org.hk.

Applicants will be notified of the results before 30 September 2013.

Awards for basic science and clinical research will be granted. The study receiving the highest score will be awarded the joint HKSN & HK Kidney Foundation Award. The research grant awards presentation to the recipients will be held at the Society Scientific Meeting 2013.

HKSN Council Members

The Annual General Meeting was held during the Annual Scientific Meeting on 7th October, 2012 attended by seventy-nine full members. The following members were elected to serve as Office Bearers and Council Members:

Chairman: Dr. Samuel Ka Shun FUNG
Hon Secretary: Dr. Andrew Koon Shing CHOY
Hon Treasurer: Prof. Sydney Chi Wai TANG
Council Members: Dr. Yuk Lun CHENG,
Dr. Vincent Chik Cheung CHOW,
Dr. Hon Lok TANG,
Dr. Sunny Sze Ho WONG,
Dr. David Sai Ping YONG,
Dr. Chun Yu YUNG.

Ex-officio: Dr. Chi Bon LEUNG
New Co-opted Council Members

The following members were appointed as co-opted Members and Senior Advisor of the Council:
Dr. Ka Foon CHAU,
Dr. Sing Leung LUI,
Dr. Fu Keung LI,
Prof. Philip Kam Tao LI,
Dr. Matthew Kwok Lung TONG,
Dr. Andrew Kui Man WONG
Senior Advisor
Prof. Richard Yue Hong YU

HA Renal Commissioned Training 2012/13

HA Renal Commissioned Training 2012/13:

The Commissioned Training 2012/13 was held on 12-13 January 2013 at the Queen Elizabeth Hospital and HAHO. The theme was on “Home Dialysis Therapy” organized by the Central Renal Committee, Hospital Authority. Co-Organizer was Hong Kong Society of Nephrology, the supporting organizations were Hong Kong Kidney Foundation and Hong Kong Urological Association.

Scientific program included Saturday afternoon Interactive Home Haemodialysis Work Shop with Home HD case illustration & interactive discussions and Sunday full day Symposium.

Welcoming Address by Dr WL CHEUNG, Director (Cluster Services), Hospital Authority

Opening Remarks by Dr WL CHEUNG
Director (Cluster Services), Hospital Authority
What is the optimal hemodialysis modality in 2013: Dr Christopher CHAN

Preservation of peritoneal membrane function
Dr Stanley FAN

Alternate night nocturnal home haemodialysis — Effect on anemia and left ventricular mass
Dr HL TANG

Prospect of NHHD in Hong Kong
Dr HS WONG

Recurrent and Relapsing peritonitis
Prof CC SZETO

Patient empowerment
Dr YW HO
Monitoring and caring of home dialysis patients
Dr WK LO

Case discussion: Inadequate solute clearance
Dr CK WONG

Case discussion: Difficult fluid control
Dr MW LO

Surgical management of malfunctioning PD catheter
Dr HH HUNG

Souvenir presentation:
Dr MF Lam received from Dr SF LUI

Souvenir presentation:
Ms YH CHOW received from Dr SF LUI

Patients’ perspectives: Mr Enoch CHIU

Souvenir Presentation:
Prof Philip LI received from Dr Samuel FUNG
World Kidney Day Series 2013

WKD2013@HK:

The event for World Kidney Day (WKD) 2013 was held on Sunday 10 March 2013 at Morse Park, Kowloon. The theme for 2013 was on Acute Kidney Injury “Stop AKI” with aim to raise awareness of AKI with improved prevention and treatment of this major kidney disease.

HKKF and HKSN co-organized the event with the program including Health Dance and Talent Show for WKD2013. Health Survey, Exhibition and Blood Pressure Taking were held at public estates in the territory with participation by medical & nursing students recruited from both Universities: Medical & Nursing Faculties of HKU & CUHK.
Scientific Symposia

The following scientific symposia have been held recently:

"Optimizing Renal Function with Clinical Use of mTOR Inhibitor" was presented by Prof. Julio PASCUAL from Hospital del Mar, Barcelona, Spain on 30th November 2012 at Sheraton Hotel.

"Cinacalcet Efficacy and Paradigm Shift in the Treatment of Secondary Hyperparathyroidism (SHPT)" was presented by Dr. Nobuhiko JOKI from Toho University Ohashi Medical Center, Tokyo, Japan on 3rd December 2012 at Sheraton Hotel.

“Arterial Calcification: A potential therapeutic target for Chronic Kidney Disease” by Prof. David Collins WHEELER, UK on 27 Feb 2013 at QEH.
The International Society of Nephrology (ISN) World Congress of Nephrology 2013 hosted by the Hong Kong Society of Nephrology in partnership with the Asian Pacific Society of Nephrology will be held in the Hong Kong from May 31st to June 4th, 2013. 

**Congress Theme: Sustainability and Diversity**

The 2013 World Congress of Nephrology continues to promote the themes of sustainability and diversity which are increasingly relevant to all countries across the developed and developing world.

The commitment of the International Society of Nephrology to the global advancement of nephrology is recognized in the development of the scientific program of WCN 2013.

Each theme has a co-chair specifically tasked with ensuring the content of the program includes topics addressing practical, social and economic challenges across diverse nations.

| ISN President and Congress Chair:       | John FEEHALLY |
| Local Organising Committee Chair:      | Philip K.T. LI |
| Scientific Committee Chair:           | Carol POLLOCK |

Planning meetings with the ISN were held at the ASN San Diego, California, on 30 October – 4 November 2012 as well as locally by the Local Organizing Committee chaired by **Prof. Philip K.T. LI.**
Annual Congress of CSN in Chengdu, Sichuan 10-14.10.2012

The Chinese Society of Nephrology (CSN) Annual Meeting was held in Chengdu, Sichuan from 10 to 14 October 2012. The HKSN participated with council members attending the Annual Meeting.

Dr David YONG, Dr CC CHOW, Dr CB LEUNG, Dr KS CHOI, Dr. Samuel FUNG, Dr YW HO & Dr YL CHENG

Dr Samuel FUNG

Dr CB LEUNG

Prof Philip LI

Souvenir presented to Prof ZH LIU, President of CSN from Dr Samuel FUNG
The First Hong Kong Transplant and Dialysis Games was held on 24-25 November 2012 in Tsing Yi Sports Centre and Tsing Yi Sports Ground. More than 500 athletes and donor families from various renal units together with teams from mainland China and Macau participated.

Inter-hospital Renal Meetings

Inter-hospital Renal Meeting with CME accreditation is held regularly in Lecture Theatre, G/F, Block M, Queen Elizabeth Hospital. Members of the HKSN will be informed of the titles of the presentation before the meeting by email. Please inform us at office@hksn.org when there is a change in your email address.

The schedule of the Inter-hospital Renal Meetings is uploaded at the Society Website: http://www.hksn.org/schedule2013.htm and the coming months is listed below:

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Dr. Patrick Biggar  
Consultant and Assistant Medical Director  
Nephrological Department  
Coburg Clinic and the KfH-Dialysis Centre  
Coburg, Germany  
26 June 2013  
“A systematic approach to improve SHPT patient outcomes”

Dr. Robert J. Desnick  
Dean for Genetics and Genomic Medicine  
Professor of Paediatrics, Oncological Sciences, Obstetrics, Gynecology and Reproductive Science  
Mount Sinai School of Medicine, New York  
27 June 2013  
“Genotype-phenotype correlation, a guide to treatment in Fabry Disease”

**Sponsorship to attend local and overseas meetings**

Applications for sponsorship to attend local or overseas conferences should be sent to Dr. Yuk Lun CHENG (Membership Affairs: Sponsorship and scholarship) c/o Department of Medicine, Alice Ho Miu Ling Nethersole Hospital, 11 Chuen On Road, Tai Po, NT, Hong Kong at least 4 weeks before the commencement date of the conference. You can fax the application to Dr YL CHENG at **2689-2472** or email **sponsorship@hksn.org**. **Application for reimbursement** for expenses should be sent to Dr. Cheng within **one month** after the meeting. Late applications will not be entertained. Please allow up to **3 months** from the date of reimbursement submission for processing. There is no need to enquire or send reminders before this period has lapsed. The conference information would be announced at inter-hospital meetings, our Society’s web site as well as in the Hong Kong Journal of Nephrology.
Membership application and Change of Address

New membership application and notification of change of address or personal particulars should be sent to Dr. Vincent CC Chow (Membership Affairs: Registration), c/o Department of Medicine, Pamela Youde Nethersole Eastern Hospital, 3 Lok Man Road, Chai Wan, Hong Kong. New membership application & Change of Address or Personal Details forms can be downloaded from our Society’s website: http://www.hksn.org/member.htm. For further enquiry concerning your membership status, please contact Dr. Vincent CC Chow at email: membership@hksn.org

Hong Kong Journal of Nephrology

The Hong Kong Journal of Nephrology is the official peer-reviewed publication of the Hong Kong Society of Nephrology. It is published biannually in April and October by ELSEVIER, and is indexed in EMBASE, SCOPUS and CAB Abstracts.

The new website has improved features and functions at http://www.hkjn-online.com.

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Prepared by Dr. K.S. Choi (Hon. Secretary) & Dr. Samuel K.S. Fung (Chairman)