HKSN Annual Scientific Meeting (ASM) 2014

The HKSN Annual Scientific Meeting was held on 12th October, 2014 at Kowloon Shangri-la Hotel. The program was well received and the response from the attendance was overwhelming with 424 doctors and nurses attending.

Prof. Peter MATHIESON, President and Vice Chancellor, The University of Hong Kong, was the invited Keynote speaker. He delivered a lecture entitled “Proteinuria, podocytes and future challenges”

Richard Yu Endowment Fund Award Lecture was delivered by Prof. Yasuhiko TOMINO, Professor and Head of Nephrology, Juntendo University School of Medicine, Tokyo, Japan and Past President of the Asian Pacific Society of Nephrology (APSN), and the lecture title was: “IgA nephropathy: How to predict the prognosis?” He also gave a keynote lecture entitled “Diabetic nephropathy: How to elucidate the pathogenesis and treatment using animal models?”

Chan Woon Cheung Memorial Fund Award Lecture was delivered by the awardee Prof. Kwok Yung YUEN, Chair Professor of Microbiology, The University of Hong Kong, on “Challenges in infection and renal transplant”

Other speakers and their lectures in the program were

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<td>Dr. A WANG</td>
<td>“A prospective, double-blind, randomized, placebo-controlled study to evaluate the efficacy of oral paricalcitol in retarding cardiac hypertrophy, atherosclerosis and inflammation in stage 3 - 5 chronic kidney disease”</td>
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<td>Dr. WH YIU</td>
<td>“The role of Toll-like Receptors (TLRs) in diabetic nephropathy”</td>
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<td>Dr. SK YUEN</td>
<td>“Study on the pharmacokinetic profile of intraperitoneal cefepime in patients with continuous ambulatory peritoneal dialysis (CAPD) peritonitis”</td>
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<td>Ms. BS WONG</td>
<td>“Hand function performance association with PD exchange procedure”</td>
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<td>Dr. HL TANG</td>
<td>“Alternate Night Nocturnal Home Hemodialysis in Hong Kong”</td>
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<td>Dr. CB LEUNG</td>
<td>“Hong Kong Renal Registry and the latest report”</td>
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The 2014 Richard Yu Endowment Fund Award was presented to Prof. Yasuhiro TOMINO and the Chan Woon Cheung Memorial Fund Award to Prof. Kwok Yung YUEN

Prof Yasuhiro TOMINO (middle) received the Award from Prof Richard YU & Dr Samuel FUNG

Prof Kwok Yung YUEN (middle) received the Award form Dr WK CHAN (son of late Dr Woon Cheung CHAN), & Dr KS CHOI

Keynote speaker Prof. Peter MATHIESON (middle) received a souvenir of appreciation from Dr Samuel Fung
The latest Hong Kong Renal Registry Report presented by Dr CB LEUNG

HKSN Research Grant

Dr. Sunny WONG (representing Dr. TAM Chun Hay)
HKSN Research Grants 2014 were presented at the ASM. Six awards for basic science and clinical researches were granted. The project titled “Validating a ‘novel serum calcification propensity test’ for vascular/valvular calcification and adverse clinical outcomes prediction in a prospective chronic kidney disease cohort” proposed by Dr. WANG Yee Moon, Angela from Queen Mary Hospital received the highest score and was awarded The Joint HKSN & HK Kidney Foundation Award amounting to $60,000.

Prof Lakhmir S CHAWLA (USA) and Dr Andrew LEWINGTON (UK) were the external reviewers and the following applications were successful in obtaining the 2014 HKSN Research Grants with the titles of their project as follows:

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<td>Patient derived urine stem cells as a novel therapeutic strategy for diabetic nephropathy</td>
<td>Dr WU Hao Jia</td>
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<td>Prospective randomized controlled trial on evaluating the impact of clinical pharmacy service in the management of Chinese peritoneal dialysis patients in an outpatient setting</td>
<td>Dr TAM Chun Hay</td>
<td>United Christian Hospital</td>
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<td>Long non-coding RNA (IncRNA) in the urinary sediment of patients with chronic kidney disease</td>
<td>Prof. SZETO Cheuk Chun</td>
<td>Princes of Wales Hospital</td>
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<td>Exploring the role of bone marrow mesenchymal stem cells in podocyte cytoskeleton regulation</td>
<td>Dr LIU Yang</td>
<td>University of Hong Kong</td>
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<td>Deriving clinical prediction rules of continuous rapid glomerular filtration rate deterioration among Chinese with Type II diabetes mellitus</td>
<td>Mr CHAN Kam Wah</td>
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The Annual General Meeting was held during the Annual Scientific Meeting on 12th October, 2014 and attended by eighty-nine full members. The following members were elected to serve as Office Bearers and Council Members:

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<td>Dr. Chun Yu YUNG</td>
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<td>Ex-officio</td>
<td>Dr. Samuel Ka Shun FUNG</td>
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The Council and Chairman, Dr KS CHOI (fifth left)

The following members were appointed as co-opted Members and Senior Advisor of the Council:

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Senior Advisor

Prof. Richard Yue Hong YU

AGM 2014 and full members
The HKSN celebrated its 35th anniversary in the same evening as the 2014 Annual Scientific Meeting at the Grand Ballroom of Kowloon Shangri-la Hotel. The memorable banquet was well attended by guests, friends and members of the Society. Guests of honor include Dr. KO Wing Man, Secretary for Food and Health, Prof. Peter MATHIESON, President and Vice-Chancellor of HKU, Dr. Pak Yin LEUNG, Chief Executive of Hospital Authority and Dr. CH LEONG, Founding Chairman of HKSN.

Guests of Honor: from the left, Dr. Samuel Fung, Dr. PY Leung, Prof. P Mathieson, Dr. WM Ko, Prof. R Yu, Prof. Y Tominio, Dr. CH Leong, Dr KS Choi

Guests of honor with past chairmen of HKSN

Officiating Guests: Dr. Samuel Fung, Dr. PY Leung, Dr. WM Ko, Dr. CH Leong, Prof. R Yu, Dr KS Choi

Speech by Dr KS Choi

Speech by Dr WM Ko

Speech by Dr PY Leung

Speech by Dr CH Leong

Speech by Prof R Yu

Cake-cutting

Toasting
The Commissioned Training 2014/15 was held on 17-18 January 2015 at HAHO. The theme was on “Infection Control in Renal Dialysis and Transplant Units” organized by the Central Renal Committee, Hospital Authority, co-organized by the Hong Kong Society of Nephrology, Hong Kong Society for Infectious Diseases, Hong Kong Society of Transplantation, Hong Kong Kidney Foundation, and supported by the Hong Kong Association of Renal Nurses.

Scientific program included Saturday afternoon Symposium on Catheter Related Infection and a full day Symposium on Sunday.

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

**Opening Remarks** by Prof Philip LI Chairman, CRC

Infection control principles for dialysis and transplant units

Prof.PA Tambyah

**Souvenir Presentation:**

Prof.PA Tambyah from Dr WL CHEUNG
Facility setting and infection control practice in renal units
Dr. Josepha Tai

Multi-drug resistant organisms (MDRO)-epidemiology and preventive measures in renal units
Prof. David Calfee

Experience on infection control of vancomycin-resistant enterococci (VRE) and MDRO in Queen Mary Hospital
Dr. Vincent Cheng

Souvenir Presentation
Dr CC Huang from Dr WL CHEUNG

Souvenir Presentation:
Prof. David Calfee from Dr WL CHEUNG

Panel Interactive Discussion
MDRO situation in Hong Kong
Dr. Dominic Tsang

The battle with VRE in Queen Elizabeth Hospital
Dr. KF Chau

MDRO and renal unit - view point from a hospital administrator and a nephrologist
Prof. CC Huang

Uprising Influenza epidemics and pandemics
Dr. KY Lai

Closing Remarks by
Dr. WK Lo
The 10th WKD@HK 2015 was held on Sunday, 8 March 2015 at Kowloon International Trade & Exhibition Centre. The theme for 2015 is on Kidney Health for ALL.

HKKF and HKSNS co-organized the event with the program including Health Survey, Exhibition and Blood Pressure Taking held at public estates in the territory with medical & nursing students recruited from CUHK, HKU and the HK Polytechnic University.
全民腎康 全城響應
每十個人有一個患慢性腎病
腎病有機會導致腎衰竭
香港每年新增約1000名洗腎病人

腎病高危因素你要知
糖尿病 家族有腎病史 高血壓

護腎8式 人人要識
控制血糖 足夠水份
監察血壓 經常運動
腎病高危者要
檢查腎功能 正常體重
不要亂服成藥 不要吸煙

Health Survey, Exhibition and Blood Pressure Taking
4 Jan 2015 Lok Fu Estate

25 Jan 2015 Chung On Estate
Promotion of WKD 2015 in Radio Programs, March 2015

RTHK Health Education
Dr HL Tang and Dr YL Cheng

MetroRadio Health Education
Prof Sydney Tang and Dr Desmond Yap

RTHK Health Education
Dr KS Choi and Dr CC Chow

RTHK Health Education
Dr Samuel Fung and Dr CY Yung
Scientific Symposia

The following scientific symposia have been held:

“Addressing Diabetes Challenges in Renal Patients” Symposium: lecture 1 – “Present and future of insulin therapy in Type 2 diabetic patients with CKD” was presented by Prof. Bernard Charbonnel, and lecture 2 – “Hong Kong Diabetes Registry: Incidence of hypoglycemia in T2DM patients” was presented by Dr. So Wing Yee on 23rd October 2014 at Mira Hotel.

"PD Symposium: Combination for Success – Optimizing and Individualizing APD Prescriptions" was presented by Prof. Joanne Bargman from University of Toronto, Canada on 22nd January 2015 at Royal Plaza Hotel.
"Hormonal abnormalities in patients with CKD" was presented by Prof. Andrzej Wiecek, President of ERA-EDTA and LKEC Visiting Professor of CUHK, on 6th February 2015 at QEH

"Management of Post-Transplant Malignancies" was presented by Prof. Wolfgang Arns from Cologne General Hospital, Germany on 8th April 2015 at QEH.

"Why move from standard solutions to UltraLow GDP solutions?" was presented by Prof. David Johnson from Princess Alexandra Hospital, Brisbane, Australia on 28th April 2015 at Royal Plaza Hotel.

LKEC Educational Talk 2015

The LKEC Educational Talk on DM and CKD was held on 26 April 2015 at YMCA, Tsim Sha Tsui. The speakers were Dr. Desmond YAP, QMH and Dr. SF CHEUNG, YCH.
Annual Congress of the Chinese Society of Nephrology (CSN) was held in Xi’an, and attended by the Council from 16 to 18 October 2014. Dr. KS Choi, Dr. Samuel Fung, Prof Philip Li and Prof Sydney Tang delivered presentations at the CSN.

Promotion of Organ Donation

Organ Donation promotion
The annual Thanks Giving Ceremony was held on Sunday, 8 Feb 2015 in QMH Underground Lecture Theatre with Dr. WM Ko (Secretary for Food and Health) and Dr. PY Leung (Chief Executive of HA) as the officiating guests. The title this year was 「器官捐贈 燃亮新生」

2nd Hong Kong Transplant and Dialysis Games
The 2nd Hong Kong Transplant and Dialysis Games were held on 8 and 9 November 2014. There were 24 teams, including twenty-one local teams according to the organs and institutes, one team formed by the kids of the donor families and two overseas teams – China and Macao. A total of 590 athletes registered including 383 transplant athletes received heart, lung, kidney, liver, bone marrow and cornea and 169 dialysis patients. Twenty-six kids of age below 17 were from the donor families. The youngest participant is of age 2 and oldest 82. There were four new units participating, two from paediatric units (bone marrow and kidney) and two from charitable dialysis centres. When compared to the 1st HK Transplant and Dialysis Games in 2012, there was a 10% increase in number of participants.
Opening ceremony with officiating guests

Report and promotion of Centralised Organ Donation Register

**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/index.php/meetings/inter-hospital-renal-meeting/~schedule-2015/](http://www.hksn.org/index.php/meetings/inter-hospital-renal-meeting/~schedule-2015/)
**Upcoming events**

**Scientific Symposium**

27 Oct 2015 (Tuesday)  
How can Intradialytic Parenteral Nutrition improve Clinical Treatment and improve Quality of Life of our patients?  
Prof. Dr. Med. Wilfred-Johannes Druml  
Medical University of Vienna, Austria

**Annual General Meeting**

This will be held on 7 Oct 2015 (Wednesday) at QEH following the inter-hospital meeting. Please mark your diary.

**1st International Congress of Chinese Nephrologists**

Themes:  
- Diabetic nephropathy 糖尿病肾病  
- Hypertensive nephropathy 高血压性肾病  
- IgA nephropathy IgA肾病  
- Lupus nephropathy 狼疮肾病

Pre-Congress Program  
- Renal Pathology Course 腎臟病理課程  
- Roundtable on Dialysis Economics 透析經濟學圓桌會議  
- PD Unit Visit 參觀腹膜透析中心

**Important Dates**

- Abstract submission system opens  
  1/1/2015
- Online registration system opens  
  1/3/2015
- Deadline for abstract submission  
  30/6/2015
- Deadline for early bird registration  
  30/9/2015

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**HKSN Research Grant 2015**

Applicants will be notified of the results by 30 September 2015
Sponsorship to attend local and overseas meetings

Applications for sponsorship to attend local or overseas conferences should be sent to Dr. Hon Lok TANG (Membership Affairs: Sponsorship and scholarship) c/o Department of Medicine and Geriatrics, Princess Margaret Hospital, Lai Chi Kok, Kowloon, Hong Kong at least 4 weeks before the commencement date of the conference. You can apply by email to sponsorship@hksn.org. Application for reimbursement for expenses should be sent to Dr. Tang 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. There is a reimbursement form uploaded to the Society’s web site.

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 website is http://www.hkjn-online.com with function for online submission and online journal access.

NEW: From 2015, 2 categories of prizes will be awarded:

OBJECTIVE
To encourage local nephrologists and nephrology trainees to submit manuscript to HKJN.

AWARDS
1. Hong Kong College of Physicians Renal Board exit examination dissertation (one award per year; HK$5000)
2. Inter-hospital Renal Meeting presentation (two awards per year; @HK$2500)

Selection criteria
Each year, based on the articles published in the previous 12 months, the editorial board of the Journal decides the awardees by internal voting before the Annual Scientific Meeting of the Hong Kong Society of Nephrology (HKSN). The award, which consists of a cash prize and a certificate (both to the first author of the publication), will be presented in the HKSN ASM.

Prepared by Dr. Sydney TANG (Hon. Secretary) & Dr. Andrew K.S. CHOI (Chairman)