Health Research Symposium 2021

23 November 2021 (9:00 am - 6:10 pm Hong Kong Time)



Implementing evidence-based research in the era of COVID-19 and other global health challenges

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Registration Deadline:

31 October 2021

The 10th Anniversary of the Establishment of the Health and Medical Research Fund

Keynote Speakers



Professor Chris BUTLER

Professor of Primary Care Nuffield Department of Primary Care Health Sciences University of Oxford United Kingdom

Health PRINCIPLE Trial example



Professor Per NILSEN

Professor, Department of Health Medicine and Caring Science Linköping University



Professor Menno DE JONG

Head, Department of Medical Microbiology Academic Medical Center Professor of Clinical Virology, University of Amsterdam The Netherlands

COVID-19 control: jumping knowledge gaps while on the go



Professor Steven RILEY

Professor, Infectious Disease Dynamics School of Public Health, Faculty of Medicine Imperial College London United Kingdom

Infectious disease dynamics as a tool for decision makers during pandemics



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Time	Programme		
09:00 – 09:15	Welcoming Remarks Presentation of Special Awards		
09:15 – 10:35	Keynote Lectures I & II: Control and prevention of emerging infectious diseases		
09:15 – 09:45	Prof Menno DE JONG Head, Department of Medical Microbiology, Academic Medical Center Professor of Clinical Virology, University of Amsterdam, The Netherlands COVID-19 control: jumping knowledge gaps while on the go		
09:45 – 10:15	Prof Steven RILEY Professor, Infectious Disease Dynamics, School of Public Health, Faculty of Medicine, Imperial College London, United Kingdom Infectious disease dynamics as a tool for decision makers during pandemics		
10:15 – 10:35	Panel Discussion		
10:35 – 11:00	Coffee Break / Poster Session / Sharing Session on Research Fellowship Scheme		
11:00 – 13:00	Parallel Session 1 –	Parallel Session 2 –	
	Combating COVID-19	Implementing research findings in	
		clinical practice	
	Talk 1a - Prof Ivan HUNG Fan-ngai, HKU	Talk 2a - Prof NG Siew-chien, Dr Joyce MAK Wing-yan, CUHK	
	Comparing immunogenicity against SARS- CoV-2 in COVID19 vaccinees and	Novel strategies to facilitate early	
	convalescent patients	detection, prevention and Intervention	
	(COVID1903010 – Project 2)	for long-Term Health problems related to COVID-19 (NovITor-COVID study)	
	Clinical study of flu-based and PD1-based vaccines for the SARS-CoV2	(COVID1903002)	
	(COVID190123)	Role of Gastrointestinal Tract and Gut	
		Microbiota in Pathogenesis of	
	Talk 1b - Prof LAU Yu-lung, HKU	Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19):	
	To compare the reactogenicity and	A Missing Site for Viral Replication &	
	immunogenicity of the recommended COVID-19 vaccines in young adolescents	Transmission (COVID190111)	
	in Hong Kong (COVID19F02)	Modulation of gut microbiota to enhance health and immunity in	
	Talk 1c - Prof David HUI Shu-cheong,	vulnerable individuals during COVID-	
	CUHK	19 pandemic (COVID19F07)	
	Long-term longitudinal comparisons of		
	health status and immune responses in	Talk 2b - Prof Paul CHAN, CUHK	
	convalescent COVID-19 and vaccinated cohorts in Hong Kong (COVID1903003)	Comprehensive clinical, virological, microbiological, immunological and	
	Conorts in Hong Kong (COVID1903003)	laboratory monitoring of patients	
		hospitalized with Coronavirus Diseases (COVID-19) (COVID190107)	

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	Talk 1d - Prof Benjamin J. COWLING,	Early biomarkers in SARS-CoV-2
	HKU	infection: correlation with
	Comprehensive assessment of longitudinal	short/medium/long-term clinical
	vaccine-induced immune responses, safety	outcomes, and implications on acute
	and potential effectiveness of COVID-19	patient management and long-term
	vaccines (COVID1903001)	medical and health care (COVID19F06)
	Randomized trial of COVID-19 booster	Talk 2c – Prof Ava KWONG, HKU
	vaccinations (Cobovax trial)	Risk assessment of hereditary breast and
	(COVID19F09)	ovarian cancer syndrome in Chinese
		population by multiple-gene sequencing
	Talk 1e - Prof Ian WONG Chi-kei, HKU	(03143406)
	COVID-19 vaccines Adverse events	
	Response and Evaluation (CARE)	
	Programme (COVID19F01)	Talk 2d – Dr KWOK Siu Yin Janette, QMH
	Panel Discussion	Enhancing the Clinical Management in
		Kidney Transplant Patients with
		Unknown Donor HLA Typing by a
		Modified Urine Typing Technology
		(13142121)
13:00 – 14:00	Lunch / Poster Session	

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14:00 – 16:00	Parallel Session 3 – Preparedness for the next pandemic	Parallel Session 4 – Translating knowledge to primary healthcare
	Talk 3a - Prof ZHANG Tong, HKU Grid monitoring of SARS-CoV-2 in sewage for an early-warning sign of community outbreak (COVID190209)	Talk 4a – Prof Linda LAM Chiu-wa, CUHK The Hong Kong Mental Morbidity Survey for Older People (MHS-P1 (Part 3)
	Talk 3b - Prof Leo POON Lit-man, HKU Molecular epidemiological study of COVID-19 cases in Hong Kong (COVID190205)	A 9-year follow up of the Hong Kong Mental Morbidity Survey (HKMMS) on Chinese adults with Depressive and Anxiety symptoms (CFS-CUHK4)
	Talk 3c - Dr Gilman SIU Kit-hang, PolyU Whole-genome sequencing of COVID-19 cases in Hong Kong: development of a geo- phylogenetic database and characterisation of SARS-CoV-2 variants circulating in the community (COVID190204) Talk 3d - Prof Joseph Sriyal Malik PEIRIS, HKU Community based sero-epidemiological study of COVID19 to provide data in real time on age-stratified infection attack rates, disease severity and population-immunity, for guiding intervention policy (COVID190126)	Talk 4b – Dr Esther YU Yee-Tak, HKU In-depth study of the cost-effectiveness of the Risk Assessment and Management Programme for Hypertension (RAMP- HT) (慢性疾病管理計劃 – 風險評估 及治理) for patients with uncontrolled hypertension in primary care in Hong Kong (13142471) Talk 4c – Prof Lorna SUEN Kwai- ping, Tung Wah College Effectiveness of auriculotherapy on older people with insomnia (13144061)
	Talk 3e - Prof YEOH Eng-kiong, CUHK Investigation of Hong Kong's early detection, assessment and response (S- EDAR) system to the new emerging infectious disease outbreak COVID-19 (COVID190105) Panel Discussion	Talk 4d- Dr Derek CHEUNG Yee-tak, HKU Use of nicotine replacement therapy (NRT) sample and brief smoking cessation advice for recruiting smokers to smoking cessation services and motivating quit attempts (01170418) Talk 4e – Ms YIP Wing-foon, HKSKH Lady MacLehose Centre
16:00 – 16:30	Coffee Break / Poster Session / Sharing Session on Passagah Followship S	「乳妳同盟」母乳餵哺社區支援計劃 (30160474)
	Sharing Session on Research Fellowship So	cheme

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16:30 – 17:50	Keynote Lectures III & IV: Developing strategies to implement research findings into clinical practice	
16:30 – 17:00	Prof Per NILSEN	
	Professor, Department of Health Medicine and Caring Science, Linköping University, Sweden	
	Introducing Implementation Science – Linking Research and Practice	
17:00 – 17:30	Prof Chris BUTLER	
	Professor of Primary Care, Nuffield Department of Primary Care Health Sciences,	
	University of Oxford, United Kingdom Innovation in design and implementation of primary care clinical trials to generate	
	evidence for community therapeutics for COVID-19: The UK National Urgent	
	Public Health PRINCIPLE Trial example	
17:30 – 17:50	Panel Discussion	
17:50 – 18:00	Award Ceremony	
18:00 – 18:10	Closing Remarks	

Sharing Session on Research Fellowship Scheme:

1. Dr KWOK Man-ki, HKU

Income inequality and cardiovascular health in China (02160107)

2. Dr Wendy HUANG Yajun, HKBU

Evaluation of uptake and impact of Physical Activity Guidelines for preschool children in Hong Kong (02160127)

3. Dr Jessie LIANG Qiaoyi, CUHK

Establishing a best panel of stool-based detection for non-invasive colorectal neoplasm screening (02160037)

4. Prof Jeremy TEOH Yuen-chun, CUHK

The cost-effectiveness of Prostate Health Index for prostate cancer detection in Chinese men (02160047)

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