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# Holistic Care in the Era of Specialty Based Medicine



Date: 3 July 2016 (Sunday) Time: 9:30am - 4:25pm

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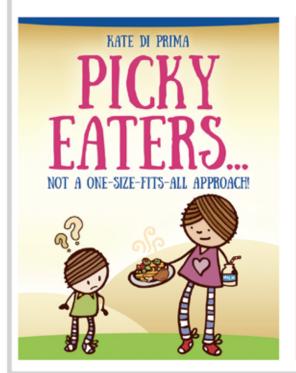
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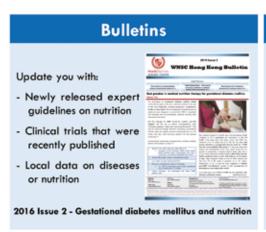
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- 1. How do I know what type of picky eater I have?
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# ▶ Programme

09:30-10:00	Opening Ceremony Officiating Guests Dr Donald KT LI (President, Hong Kong Academy of Medicine) Dr the Hon LEONG Che-hung, GBM, GBS, OBE, JP (Chairman, Committee on Elder Academy Development Foundation) Dr the Hon LEUNG Ka-lau (Legislative Councillor, Medical) Prof the Hon Joseph KL LEE, PhD, RN, SBS, JP (Legislative Councillor, Health Services)			
Session I: Cardiovascular Disease and Metabolic Syndrome (Room C) Chairpersons: Dr Ludwig CH TSOI & Dr LI Shu-kin				
10:00-10:25	Prof Brian TOMLINSON	Cardiovascular Personalised Medicin	ne	
10:25-10:50	Dr YIP Wai-man	Gout and Its Comorbidities to the Elder	ly	
10:50-11:00	Q&A			
11:00-11:20	Coffee Break			
Session II: Diabetes Mellitus (Room C) Chairpersons: Prof Bernard MY CHEUNG & Ms Ellen WY KU			Sponsor : AstraZeneca	
11:20-11:45	Prof Alice PS KONG	Diabetes Complicated by Obesity: "Diabesity" in Clinical Practice?	What Can We Do About	
11:45-12:10	Dr TSANG Man-wo	Advance Treatment for T2DM - Role	of SGLT2 & GLP1	
12:10-12:20	Q&A			
Lunch Symposium : Allergy Prevention (Room AB) Chairperson: Dr Jane CK CHAN				
12:20-13:20	Prof LEUNG Ting-fan	Emerging Trends in Allergy Diagnosis	, Treatment & Prevention	
	Q&A			
Session III: Paediatric Epilepsy (Room C) Chairpersons: Dr LEE Tsz-leung & Mr Frankie PL SIU				
13:20-13:55	Dr Mario WK CHAK Ms Carmen KM YEUNG	Tertiary Level Surgical and Dietary Refractory Epilepsy : Challenges and		



13:55-14:05 Q&A

Session IVa: Allergy and Autistic Spectrum Disorder (Room C) *parallel symposium Chairpersons: Dr LEE Tak-hong & Dr HUNG Se-fong				
14:05-14:30	Dr Alson WM CHAN	How to Face the Allergy Epidemics? - Highlights of the Guidelines for Allergy Prevention in Hong Kong		
14:30-14:55	Dr LAM Siu-man	Holistic Care for Autism Spectrum Disorder : Building Castles in the Air?		
14:55-15:05	Q&A			
Session IVb: Geriatrics (Room AB) *parallel symposium Chairpersons: Dr Raymond SK LO & Dr Andrew CC CHAN				
14:05-14:30	Prof Timothy KWOK	Diagnosis and Management of Dementia in Old Age		
14:30-14:55	Dr Frankie HC SO	The Mouth and the Body – How Are They Connected in Older People ?		
14:55-15:05	Q&A			
15:05-15:25	Coffee Break			
Session Va: HIV Infection and Mental Health (Room C) *parallel symposium Chairpersons: Dr NG Yin-kwok & Dr Desmond GH NGUYEN				
15:25-15:50	Dr Thomas MK SO	People Living with HIV Infection		
15:50-16:15	Dr LEE Wing-king	Psychosis - Neurodevelopmental Disorder with Neuroprogression, Critical Period for Early Intervention, Relapse Prevention and Neuroprotection of Antipsychotic Treatment.		
16:15-16:25	Q&A			
Session Vb: Oncology (Room AB) *parallel symposium Chairpersons: Dr MAN Chi-wai & Dr NG Chun-kong				
15:25-15:50	Dr David CL LAM	Personalized Management of Lung Cancer		
15:50-16:15	Dr William CS MENG	Colorectal Cancer Screening		
16:15-16:25	Q&A			

### Welcome Message from the President

On behalf of the Federation, may I extend the warmest welcome to you for attending our Scientific Meeting 2016. This year the theme of our ASM is "Holistic care in the era of specialty based medicine".

With advancement of medical technology and rapid expansion of medical knowledge, specialisation and even subspecialisation is an unavoidable global developmental trend in medicine. This division of labour among medical and health professionals allows us to keep abreast with the latest developments in a specific field and to concentrate experience and refine skill to maintain a high standard of care.

However, a specialist over-focusing in a certain aspect of a patient care runs the risk of treating the patient as organs or systems, rather than as a whole person.

In 2011, an article of "How should we define health?" was written by Machteld Huber and published in BMJ. The author defines health as the ability to adapt not only to physical, but also emotional and social challenges of life.

When confronted with physical or psychological stress, a healthy person is able to mount a protective response, and to restore an equilibrium.

For social health, it means one's capacity capability to fulfill their potential and obligation, the ability to manage their life with a certain degree of independence despite a medical condition, and the ability to participate in social activities.

In the other words, it means even if someone has suffered from a chronic disease, he/she can still able to fulfil his/her normal social role and function, for example: studying in school as student; having their own preferred career pathway; having normal social gatherings to make friends with others; getting married; having children and enjoying a family life.

As a medical professional, we often very put emphasis on our patient's physical well-being. However, from a patient's perspective, they may value their psychological well-being and social life as being even more important. We may spend a lot of time

asking our patients for any physical symptoms during daily consultation, but we may not actually know how the disease affecting our patient's emotion and their daily life. I wish through this conference, we not only offer a specialty care to our patient, but also provide a holistic care by listening to them and by walking hand with hand with them in their daily journey.

The Federation would like to thank wholeheartedly all our officiating and distinguished guests for their presence and support. It is very much our honour and privilege to have various experts and presidents of our member societies to share with us the latest knowledge and developments. Further, we express our greatest appreciation for our organising committee and secretariat, in ensuring the meeting a success. The kind sponsorship from our industry partners is also duly acknowledged.

As an umbrella organisation with 139 member societies of doctors, dentists, nurses, and allied health professionals, the Federation will continue to organise further educational activities for our members and fellow colleagues. May I wish everyone participating in today's meeting a most fruitful time, and we look forward to further collaboration with you for a better and healthier Hong Kong!

Dr Mario WK CHAK

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**President** 

The Federation of Medical Societies of Hong Kong



# Welcome Messages from the Annual Scientific Meeting 2016 Chairman

On behalf of the FMSHK Annual Scientific Meeting (ASM) Organising Committee, I would like to extend my warmest welcome to all of you.

The theme of ASM this year is "Holistic Care in the Era of Specialty Based Medicine". Over the past decades, we witnessed rapid advancements in medical knowledge and healthcare technology in different clinical disciplines and specialties. While this organ based and specialty based healthcare model had undoubtedly improved patients' clinical outcomes, we should not neglect the importance of holistic care and its role to further enhance service quality and standard. With aging population, many patients now present with multiple and complex comorbidities. And with rising expectations, patients demand not only physical wellbeing but also psychological, social and spiritual good health. To cope with these demands, we need to set up cross-specialty and multi-disciplinary cooperation and collaborations. Consisting of 139 members societies, the FMSHK provides the best platform for specialists to share their knowledge, to develop collaborative partnerships and to setup holistic patient care model.

Building on past successes, our scientific programme focuses on introducing important clinical advances of the recent years. You will learn personalised medicine in cardiology, endocrinology and clinical oncology; latest development in allergy management; recent disease management in paediatric and geriatric populations; and on how to improve mental health of patients. We are honoured to have renowned speakers from different clinical specialties to update us on diseases management, advancements in medical technologies and new healthcare and service models.

Last but not the least, don't miss the opportunity to meet your friends or get acquaintance to new colleagues from other specialties. Promoting partnership and fraternity is our longstanding tradition and pride. We hope you will enjoy the appealing talks and spend a happy and fruitful day at the Federation ASM.



Dr Chun-kong NG

Co-chairman, Annual Scientific Meeting 2016



# Welcome Messages from the Annual Scientific Meeting 2016 Chairman

It is our great pleasure to welcome you to the Annual Scientific Meeting (ASM) 2016. The theme this year is "Holistic Care in the Era of Specialty Based Medicine". The theme highlights the importance of holistic care in modern medicine where advancement in science and technology has driven the practice of medicine to be increasingly technology-based and machine-dependent. We envisage a healthcare system where patients could receive multidisciplinary patient-centred care in an ecosystem where specialists and generalists collaborate seamlessly. The Federation of Medical Societies of Hong Kong, an organisation of more than 100 member societies, is in the best position to provide such a platform for our different disciplines and specialties to network and to develop new partnership.

The scientific programme this year is as comprehensive as usual, comprises of the latest development in a broad range of topics, including but not limited to Medicine, Surgery, Paediatrics, Psychiatry, Dentistry, and Oncology. We are honoured to have distinguished speakers from all over the territory to inform our delegates of the important developments in their respective expertise - the most efficient management of diseases, the finest revolutionary technology, and the latest service delivery models. Through this event, participants will be furnished with the latest knowledge, partnership can be fostered between different disciplines, and public's interest on holistic care could be groused.

The Federation of Medical Societies of Hong Kong was founded more than 50 years ago by a group of visionary founders from different specialties. We hope the spirits of this fraternity and partnership will grow over time and be promoted through different activities and collaborations – the Annual Scientific Meeting is one such exemplary example. Lastly, we hope you enjoy this scientific meeting as much as we do.

**Dr Ludwign CH TSOI** 

Co-chairman, Annual Scientific Meeting 2016





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I warmly congratulate the Federation of Medical Societies in Hong Kong on its successful organization of the Annual Scientific Meeting 2016.

The Annual Scientific Meeting organized by the Federation is a well-respected annual event that attracts speakers and attendees from among the leading medical practitioners and healthcare specialists who share the common goal of improving people's health. This year's meeting, with the theme "Holistic Care in the Era of Specialty Care", provides an excellent platform for sharing the latest medical advancement in various specialties and promoting the holistic care for our patients.

I wish all members of the Federation of Medical Societies in Hong Kong every success in their future endeavours and express my heartfelt appreciation to the medical professionals and researchers for their unrelenting pursuit of betterment in medical field.

Dr KO Wing-man, BBS, JP Secretary for Food and Health



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Dr Constance HY CHAN, JP Director of Health



It is my great pleasure and honour to extend my heartiest congratulations to the President and the members of the Federation of Medical Societies of Hong Kong on the occasion of its Annual Scientific Meeting 2016.

Since its inauguration in 1965, the Federation of Medical Societies of Hong Kong has been actively serving the community by coordinating among individual professional bodies to promote the advancement of medical knowledge and technology and continuing education of medical and health professionals.

With the theme of "Holistic Care in the Era of Specialty Based Medicine", the meeting features a panel of distinguished speakers and healthcare experts to share and illustrate the importance of holistic care in the management of chronic diseases, cancer, dementia, HIV/ AIDS, mental illnesses, etc. with a view to addressing the physical, psychosocial and emotional needs of the patients and their carers. The event also provides an excellent platform for professional exchange and development of insights on contemporary health issues.

I would like to take this opportunity to commend the Federation of Medical Societies of Hong Kong for its contributions to the advancement of the medical and health disciplines in Hong Kong, and its diligent efforts in organising this significant and meaningful event. I wish the meeting every success and all participants a very fruitful experience.

Dr Constance CHAN
Director of Health



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Dr Donald KT LI

President, Hong Kong Academy of Medicine



On behalf of the Hong Kong Academy of Medicine, it gives me great pleasure to congratulate the Federation of Medical Societies of Hong Kong (FMSHK) for organising the Annual Scientific Meeting on 3 July 2016. I am indeed honoured to be invited to join you at this special occasion.

The theme for the Meeting, entitled "Holistic Care in the Era of Specialty Based Medicine", is a most suitable one to address the evolving importance of people-centred care. Holistic care often requires the expertise of various medical specialists working in collaboratively to provide their patients with the best and appropriate treatment. I applaud the enthusiasm and hard work of the organising committee in putting together an exceptional programme. This is a multi-disciplinary scientific meeting in medicine. By bringing together a diverse group of renowned speakers, it will provide essential updates in medicine, technology and innovative ways of improving healthcare quality.

May I wish the Federation of Medical Societies of Hong Kong a very successful Annual Scientific Meeting. I am sure the meeting will arouse plenty of attention about the adoption of a holistic and integrative health care approach. I look forward to fruitful discussions and constructive outcomes from this meeting.

Yours sincerely,

Dr. Donald Li

President

Hong Kong Academy of Medicine



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**Prof Francis KL CHAN, JP**Dean, Faculty of Medicine, The Chinese University of Hong Kong



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It is my privilege and pleasure to be invited to contribute a congratulatory message for the 2016 Annual Scientific Meeting organised by the Federation of Medical Societies of Hong Kong.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the Organising Committee for its efforts to promote ideals of holistic care, which take into account the needs and experience of patients when organising and delivering healthcare services.

At this annual nexus of distinguished speakers and participants, new ideas and connections will be developed and old friendship will be refreshed and reinforced. I am sure that all attendees will benefit enormously from the collective talents found at this meeting.

Professor Francis KL CHAN, JP Dean, Faculty of Medicine The Chinese University of Hong Kong



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It is a great pleasure for me to extend my heartiest congratulations to the Annual Scientific Meeting 2016 of the Federation of Medical Societies of Hong Kong.

Over the years, the Federation has been continuously devoted to promote the advancement of healthcare standard and development. With the theme of "Holistic Care in the Era of Specialty Based Medicine", the scientific meeting provides a platform to crystallize insights and wisdom on the future advancement in various specialty medicines. Indeed, its significant contributions to promote holistic care for patients are highly commended.

On this remarkable occasion, I would like to express my gratitude on the hard work and dedication of all the members of the Federation. May I also take this opportunity to wish the event an every success.

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### Cardiovascular Personalised Medicine

### **Prof Brian TOMLINSON**

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Brian TOMLINSON was formerly Chair Professor in the Department of Medicine and Therapeutics and Head of the Division of Clinical Pharmacology at the Chinese University of Hong Kong and honorary Consultant Physician at the Prince of Wales Hospital, Hong Kong. He trained in internal medicine and Clinical Pharmacology at the Middlesex Hospital Medical School and University College Hospital, London and received his MD from the University of London.

His clinical and research interests include the clinical pharmacology, toxicology and pharmacogenetics of drugs, particularly in the cardiovascular field, and the pathogenesis and treatment of hyperlipidaemia, hypertension, the metabolic syndrome and diabetes. He has trained over 30 postgraduate students and is an author of over 350 publications and over 500 conference abstracts and has given numerous invited lectures. He is a reviewer for many journals and serves on several Editorial Boards and is President of the Asian-Pacific Society of Atherosclerosis and Vascular Diseases and Secretary General of the Pacific Rim Association for Clinical Pharmacogenetics.

All doctors practice personalised medicine to some extent but the adoption of evidence-based medicine tends to encourage the use of exactly the same treatment for all patients who fit in a certain category of illness, which may be construed as the one dose fits all approach. Truly personalised medicine involves choosing the most appropriate drug and dose for the individual patient based on certain genetic factors or other characteristics in addition to the general clinical phenotype. Currently, this mainly involves pharmacogenomics, although the other omics fields like proteomics, metabolomics, etc. are developing rapidly and are likely to influence the choice of drug treatment in the near future. It has been known for many years that the metabolism of drugs varies considerably between individuals and in the last two decades the contribution of genetic factors influencing the drug metabolising enzymes has been defined more clearly, particularly for the cytochrome P450 (CYP) enzymes. The drug transporters have also been recognised to play a major role in the disposition of many drugs and they are also subject to considerable variability in activity related to polymorphisms in their respective genes or in the genes of regulating proteins such as the nuclear factors. Genetic polymorphisms in the genes for the drug metabolising enzymes and drug transporters will influence both the pharmacokinetics and the pharmacodynamics of many drugs and polymorphisms also occur in the genes for the drug target proteins which may be receptors or enzymes and these can also influence the drug response. Regulatory authorities, such as the FDA in the United States, have recognised the important genetic influences and this information has been added to the drug label for over 130 drugs. In the cardiovascular field, there has been a tremendous amount of pharmacogenetic research resulting in numerous publications and these have been reviewed by expert bodies resulting in implementation guidelines for warfarin, clopidogrel and simvastatin.

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### Gout and Its Comorbidities to the Elderly

### Dr YIP Wai-man

MBBS, MRCP, FHKCP, FHKAM (medicine) Specialist in Geriatric Medicine



Dr. Yip wai man is a specialist in Geriatric Medicine.

He graduated from HKU on 1991. He was trained at Princess Margaret Hospital and got his fellowship as a Geriatrician. He worked at Princess Margaret Hospital for the past 22 years. He has special interest in dementia studies, stroke rehabilitation, osteoporosis and pain management.

He also past experience in the following posts:

- Ex-chief editor of the Hong Kong Geriatric Society
- Medical director of the Dr. Yip Wai man Geriatric Specialist Service
- Honorary President of the Asia Handicap Golfer association

Gout is an inflammatory arthritic condition occurs when urate crystals accumulate in joints and other tissues. Gout was historically common among man and elderly, causing pain and disabilities. Today, gout is not a minor disease since it may induce disability, severe nephropathy and increases cardiovascular risk. Uric acid stimulates monocyte chemoattractant protein-1 production in vascular smooth muscle cells, via mitogenactivated protein kinase and cyclooxygenase-2.1 Uric acid stimulates vascular smooth muscle cell proliferation and oxidative stress via vascular renin-angiotensin system.<sup>2</sup> Uric acid induces endothelial dysfunction by vascular insulin resistance associated with the impairment of nitric oxide synthesis.3 The goal of treatment is to cure the patient by lowering sUA enough to dissolve urate crystals and prevent further crystal formation. Febuxostat achieves its therapeutic effect of decreasing serum uric acid (sUA) levels by selectively inhibiting xanthine oxidase. The incidence of Steven Johnson Syndrome is found to be significantly lower than the ancient old allopurinol in elderly. Urate-lowering therapy may have a role in the prevention of renal disease.<sup>4</sup> Action should be called for to educate health professional for better management of gout (inflammation) and associated hyperuricaemia in order to reduce future health burden and co-morbidities to the elderly.

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### Diabetes Complicated by Obesity: What Can We Do About "Diabesity" in Clinical Practice?

Prof Alice PS KONG

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Dr Alice Pik Shan KONG is Associate Professor in the Department of Medicine and Therapeutics at the Chinese University of Hong Kong, and Honorary Associate Consultant at the Prince of Wales Hospital. Dr. KONG graduated from the Chinese University of Hong Kong and completed her training in General Medicine and Endocrinology at Queen Elizabeth Hospital. She had her overseas training as postdoctoral fellow at University of California, San Diego, United States between 1998 and 1999.

Dr. KONG is the Vice President of Hong Kong Association for the Study of Obesity. She is the Steering Committee Member of Joint Asia Diabetes Evaluation (JADE) program. Dr. KONG's research interests are obesity, insulin resistance and diabetes with particular focus on lifestyle factors including sleep and diet in adults and adolescents. She is an invited reviewer for many local and international journals, including Annals of Internal Medicine, Diabetes, Clinical Endocrinology, Diabetic Medicine, etc. She is an Associate Editor of Primary Care Diabetes and an editorial board member of Current Diabetes Reports and Clinical Diabetes and Endocrinology. She has presented at numerous local, regional and international meetings and has published over 170 articles in peer-reviewed journals.

Obesity is a known risk factor to develop diabetes whereas obese type 2 diabetic patients are particularly difficult to treat with extremely high risk for future events. Many traditionally used anti-diabetic agents, such as sulphonylurea and insulin, can cause weight gain, thus setting up a vicious cycle with increasing insulin resistance due to increasing levels of free fatty acids from adipose tissues<sup>1</sup>. During a 6-month study, type 2 diabetic patients treated with intensive insulin therapy dropped their HbA1c by 2.6%, but gained an average of 8.7kg<sup>2</sup>. Similarly, data from the UKPDS which recruited newly diagnosed type 2 diabetic patients, showed that patients had significant weight gain during a 10-year follow up period, particularly those on insulin therapy<sup>3</sup>. In a prospective analysis, insulin-treated type 2 diabetic patients with residual beta cell function as evidenced by high fasting serum C peptide levels, had the highest rate of cardiovascular events of over 10%4. Obese type 2 diabetic patients have many unmet needs which require intensive counselling, emotional support and individualized therapy with careful selection of anti-diabetic agents with weight reduction effects. The position statement of the American Diabetes Association (ADA) and the European Association for the Study of Diabetes (EASD) recommends patient-centered care with individualization of glucoselowering therapy and glycemic target<sup>5</sup>. After metformin, there are limited data to guide the next glucose lowering agent to go. When it comes to the decision for choosing additional anti-diabetic agent to reach the glycemic goal, clinicians need to take serious considerations of the side-effects of drugs, in particular the risks of weight gain and hypoglycemia. Weight control is a major therapeutic challenge which often requires cognitive-psychologicalbehavioral therapy in addition to pharmacological which at times might call for surgical interventions.

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### Advance Treatment for T2DM – Role of SGLT2 & GLP1

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The gradual decline in  $\beta$ -cell function is inevitable in T2DM and is the likely reason for progressive deterioration of glucose control over time. Consequently, a substantial proportion of diabetic patients require combination therapy. There remains a need for new therapies that are effective in lowering blood glucose, are well tolerated, and, in particular, do not cause weight gain or increase the risk of hypoglycemia. There are a lot of agents to choose from and the choice should be based on A. HbA1c of the individual target. B. Behavior / compliance C. Co-morbidity, D. duration of illness & E. life expectancy of patient.

DM is both a microvascular and a macro vascular disease. Although glycemic control is associated with impressive reductions in the risk of micro vascular complications, the macro vascular benefits of glycemic control are less certain in previous studies. (UKPDS, ACCORD, ADVANCE, VADT.). However, with advance in new classes of anti-diabetic agents; such as SGLT-2i and GLP-1 agonist, both have confirmed all cause mortality, especially CV mortality benefit beyond sugar control in EMPA-REG and LEADER trials.

In clinical practice, we envisage SGLT-2i being used as monotherapy when weight loss is intended and metformin is not tolerated or as add-on to other anti-diabetes agents when HbA1c is > 7%, particularly where weight loss would benefit co-morbidities such as sleep apnea or hypertension.

GLP-1 analogue will also be a good choice for obese patient who needs weight control or in patients with high postprandial surge in blood sugar or poor HbA1c despite high dose insulin.



### Emerging Trends in Allergy Diagnosis, Treatment and Prevention

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Asthma and allergic diseases have become one of the epidemics of the 21st century in developed countries. A meta-analysis has found that the incidence of self-reported adverse food reactions ranged between 3% and 35%, but the few studies that used diagnostic oral challenge procedures reported genuine food allergy (FA) in 1-4% of individuals. The elucidation of food allergens at the epitope levels (i.e. component-resolved diagnostics) allows for substantially improved accuracy for FA diagnosis. Allergic reactions from accidental ingestion of sensitised foods remain a frequent problem in food-allergic patients. Extensive research suggests oral and subcutaneous immunotherapy to be a therapeutic option for some foods such as peanut, cow's milk and eag. Nonetheless, it remains unclear whether such therapies will result in long-term tolerance. Evidence from different types of studies has highlighted the key importance of genetic inheritance and environmental exposures such as allergens and cigarette smoke in allergy development. Allergen sensitisation occurs early in infancy, and prevention strategies should ideally commence during these early-life periods of immunologic vulnerability. Multifaceted interventions to reduce allergen exposure were shown to be effective preventive strategies<sup>2</sup>, although such can be challenging to achieve. Breastfeeding for all and cows' milk hydrolysates for high-risk children for the first 4-6 months seem to be effective allergy preventive strategies. Studies of other dietary interventions (e.g. fatty acids, prebiotics and probiotics) yielded inconsistent findings. Allergy prevention by pharmacotherapy has been disappointing. Allergen-specific immunotherapy is effective for treating allergic patients with symptoms, but it is preliminary to define its value for primary and secondary prevention of allergy. Regarding FA prevention, there has been conventional belief that children at risk of having FA should avoid allergenic foods until they are three years of age. Recently, the LEAP study<sup>3</sup> challenged this concept by reporting less peanut allergy among high-risk infants who were assigned to consume peanut during infancy. The EAT study<sup>4</sup> strengthens this argument for a wider revision of infant feeding recommendations by confirming the efficacy, safety and nutritional adequacy of early introduction of allergenic foods in the general population. These large-scale intervention studies clearly shifted the paradigm from recommending avoidance of common food allergens in infancy to consideration of early consumption strategies to prevent allergy development.

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### Tertiary Level Surgical and Dietary Treatment of Paediatric Refractory Epilepsy: Challenges and Opportunities

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Despite the discovery of new antiepileptic drug, there are approximately 500-900 paediatric patient with epilepsy that remain resistant to pharmacotherapy in Hong Kong. Apart from having frequent unpredictable seizure attacks, and side effect of polypharmacy, these patients could also suffer with developmental and cognitive dysfunction, psychobehavioural comorbidities as well as social stigma. Managing this "medical refractory" epilepsy is challenging and requires an interdisciplinary team approach to provide a comprehensive assessment with aim to have an in-depth understanding of the patient's epilepsy etiology and to optimise their outcome.

With the recent advances in Neuroscience, Epileptolgy, Neuroimaging and Neuropsychology, as well as collaboration with Neurosurgeon, Radiologist and Dietitian, there is a breakthrough in surgical and dietary treatment of epilepsy.

In case where an epileptic focus could be identified, surgical excision of the focus could provide a chance of cure. Potential candidates need to go through a battery of pre-surgical evaluation include: Video EEG, structural and functional MRI, SPECT, PET scan etc. In order to confirm if there is an epileptogenic focus and if so, how it is related to eloquent functional cortex. The experience of one of the local regional referral center, the surgical outcome for seizure free in temporal lobe epilepsy (84%) and extra-temporal love epilepsy (50%) is encouraging.

While those refractory epilepsy patients who are not candidates for resective surgery could consider Ketogenic Diet or Vagal Nerve Stimulator Implantation. The seizure outcome of these two treatments is also encouraging.

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The ketogenic diet (KD) is an established, effective non-pharmacologic treatment which is used worldwide for children with refractory epilepsy. Indications for the diet include those children whose seizures are uncontrolled by their current drug regimen (estimated at 20-30% of all individuals diagnosed with epilepsy) or those who suffer intolerable side effects from their medications, as well as who may not be benefited from surgical treatment.

The Classical ketogenic diet utilises a high fat (up to 90% fat), adequate protein (1 gram/kg) and with very low carbohydrate content. The diet is thought to mimic the biochemical response to starvation, when ketone bodies become the main fuel for the brain's energy demands. However the Classical KD is barely tolerated by children locally, because such high fat content is extremely hard to incorporate into Chinese diet. Alternatively, the Modified Atkins Diet (MAD) was created at Johns Hopkins Hospital as an attempt to create a more palatable and less restrictive dietary treatment, the fat content decrease to 70-80% of total energy intake; and it is more welcomed and better adapted by our local families.

The efficacy of MAD has been reported in more than 25 studies, including one randomised trial in children. Overall, 175 of 390 total reported patients (45 percent) have had at least a >50 percent reduction in seizure after six months; of these, 96(25 percent) had >90 percent seizure reduction. These results are similar to those reported for the ketogenic diet.

In view of that, patient is now offered to choose MAD as dietary control for refractory epilepsy apart from classical KD. MAD is less restrictive and allows more food variety at meals. At the same time, the diet have similar efficacy as compared to the classical KD. Last but not least, for those patients with specific conditions that appear to be particularly responsive to the ketogenic diet, then the treatment should be considered earlier.

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- How to Face the Allergy Epidemics?
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Allergic disease epidemic is recognised as one of the most important worldwide challenge in this century. The rapid rise in the prevalence of allergic diseases, especially in affluent areas, leads to huge economic burden. The rate of increase in the disease prevalence signifies the important influence from environmental factors, therefore providing the opportunity for allergy prevention via environmental and lifestyle modifications. The major advance in allergy research in the last decade reveals the 'window of opportunity' in early infancy and caused a major paradigm shift from allergen avoidance to tolerance induction.

The Guidelines for allergy prevention in Hong Kong summarised these recent findings and recommended twelve practical measures starting from pregnancy period:

- 1. No unnecessary diet restriction during pregnancy and lactation
- 2. Breastfeeding in the first 6 months of life
- 3. Immunisation as recommended
- 4. For high risk infants, consider hydrolysed milk formula if exclusive breastfeeding is not feasible
- 5. Introduce complementary food from 4-6 months of age when developmentally ready
- 6. Avoid active or passive smoking
- 7. Control air pollution
- 8. Control indoor air quality
- 9. Maintain desirable body weight and avoid obesity
- 10. Avoid excessive psychological stress
- 11. Judicious use of antibiotics
- 12. Early treatment and control of allergic diseases



### Holistic Care for Autism Spectrum Disorder : Building Castles in the Air?

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Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD) is a common and highly heterogeneous neurodevelopmental disorder. Its childhood onset & developmental nature may make the non-paediatric service provider get unwary of its being a lifelong disability. Here, we will summarise the core clinical features of ASD and review, broadly, the adequacy of the key medical, educational and social care available in Hong Kong.





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### Diagnosis and Management of Dementia in Old Age

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Dementia is the commonest cause of dependency in old age. It is typically multifactorial with Alzheimer disease (AD) and cerebrovascular disease as primary causes. It is partly preventable by healthy active lifestyle and optimal control of vascular risk factors. Clinical diagnosis is based on history and neurocognitive test performance, though the latter is influenced by education and mood. Brain MRI can help to confirm clinical diagnosis by pattern of atrophy and under-cover concomitant small vessel disease. PET scan using glucose and amyloid tracers can give definitive diagnosis of AD, but it is limited by high cost. Cholinesterase inhibitors can slow cognitive decline at all stages of AD, but cholinergic side effects are not uncommon. Memantine is useful in moderate to late AD. It is generally well tolerated and may have some effect in controlling delusion and agitation. SSRI's are useful in controlling anxiety, insomnia and agitation. Antipsychotic drugs are sometimes required to control aggression and agitation. But they should be avoided as much as possible because they are associated with falls, dysphagia and increased mortality. Osteoporosis, under-nutrition, cataracts should be actively looked for and managed. Social stimulation and engagement is important to maintain remaining cognitive function and quality of life.



# ► The Mouth and the Body - How Are They Connected in Older People?

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It is a common misconception that dental diseases and tooth loss are normal components of ageing. On one hand the common occurrence of dental problems in older people is the result of life-long accumulation of irreversible destruction caused by dental diseases. More importantly, chronic health conditions and the treatment regimens may cause rapid deterioration in dental health among people who had relatively good oral condition before the onset of chronic diseases. The chronic health conditions and the treatment regimens may also render the usually simple dental treatment difficult and risky for the affected people. Dental diseases affect not only the mouth, but may also affect the course of chronic diseases. Poor oral hygiene itself may cause aspiration pneumonia in frail older people. The understanding of the connection between the mouth and the body, and the close collaboration of physicians and dentists are crucial in maintaining optimal health status and quality of life of the ageing population.

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Over the past 20 years increases in life expectancy for PLWHIV have been demonstrated in developed and developing countries. In North America and Europe the life expectancy for PLWHIV who are diagnosed early enough and are undergoing highly active antiretroviral therapy (ART) is close to that of the uninfected general population.

The transformation of HIV into a chronic disease presents new challenges for treatment and care. Despite the improved safety and tolerability profile of modern ART and a persistent undetectable viral load, ART does not fully restore health. These challenges coalesce around the cumulative risk of co-morbidities associated with ageing with HIV, long-term effects of ART and lifestyle factors. HIV-associated non-AIDS (HANA) comorbidities include cardiovascular disease, metabolic diseases, malignancy, neuropsychiatric disorders, any of which may reduce health-related quality of life.

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Schizophrenia is one form of psychosis, a severe mental disorder. Recent advances showed that schizophrenia is a neurodevelopmental disorder with neuroprogression. There is a critical period of psychosis, when there is the largest decline of cerebral volume during the first year of illness and then it bottoms out afterwards. The functional decline is also most pronounced in first 5 years of illness. There is correlation of brain structural changes with functional decline during this period. This critical period is the golden time for early intervention to prevent neuroprogression in schizophrenia.

Every relapse of schizophrenia leads to increased chronicity, increased treatment resistance, poorer illness trajectory, longer time to remission, further decline in psychosocial functioning, neuroprogression. Modern Public Health principles emphasises on preventing disease progression. Relapse prevention is important in secondary prevention. Research evidence supports the usefulness of relapse prevention and neuroprotective effect of second generation antipsychotic (SGA) treatment.

In summary, we need to stop neuroprogression in early phase of schizophrenia or psychosis and prevent every single relapse. It definitely improves the prognosis of the illness.



#### Personalised Management of Lung Cancer

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Non-small cell lung cancer (NSCLC), mainly adenocarcinoma subtype, can carry different types of oncogenic mutations. EGFR mutations are present in up to 50% of lung adenocarcinomas from the Asian population. EGFR-tyrosine kinase inhibitor (EGFR-TKI) should be used as primary treatment of lung cancer bearing sensitising EGFR mutations, namely 15-base pair deletion at exon 19, or L858R or L861Q mutations at exon 21.

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ALK gene rearrangement is present in up to 7% of non-small cell lung cancer, but once detected, upfront use of first generation ALK-inhibitors is associated with good therapeutic efficacy. ALK mutations have been found to be involved with acquired resistance to ALK-inhibitors. Second-generation ALK-inhibitors have become available for treatment failure with first-generation ALK-inhibitors.

Immune checkpoint inhibitors, or one specific form known as anti-PD1 monoclonal antibodies, have gained recent approval from US FDA as second line therapy for NSCLC. Whether Programmed Death-1 (PD1) expression could be a potential biomarker for guiding therapy is not certain yet.

Molecular testing for lung cancer biomarkers is not limited to testing in tumor tissues. Liquid biopsy for detection of cell free tumor DNA in plasma, and hence detection of EGFR mutations in plasma using different molecular diagnostic techniques, is a rapidly developing field. The identification of biomarkers will support the practice of personalised medicine and this will be closely tied to the understanding of biology and molecular progression of lung neoplasms.

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#### Colorectal Cancer Screening

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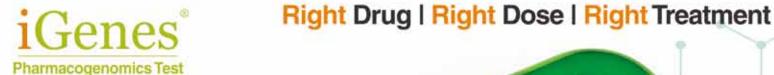
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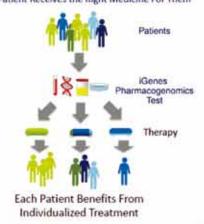
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