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The Chinese University of Hong Kong
Signs Collaboration Agreement with
China's Cancer Institute (Hospital)

A collaboration agreement between The Faculty of Medicine, The Chinese University of Hong Kong and The Cancer Institute (Hospital), Peking Union Medical College, Chinese Academy of Medical Sciences, was signed today (March 4, 1996).

The Cancer Institute (Hospital) was represented by Professor Dong Zhi-wei, Director of the Institute, and Professor Cai Wei-ming of the Department of Radiation Oncology. The Chinese University of Hong Kong was represented by Professor Joseph C. K. Lee, Acting Dean of the Faculty of Medicine, and Professor Philip J. Johnson, Director of the Hong Kong Cancer Institute of The Chinese University of Hong Kong.

The collaboration agreement provides for exchange of staff (senior staff, medical and postgraduate students) for the purpose of cancer research and exchange of experience on methods of treating cancer. There will also be exchange of academic materials, such as reports, books and journals on cancer and an annual meeting which each institution will host alternate years.

The Cancer Institute (Hospital) which is affiliated to The Chinese Academy of Medical Sciences has a graduate staff of around 300 people and is closely involved in defining causes of cancer that are prevalent in China. As is the case with The Chinese University of Hong Kong, the Institute stresses close collaboration with scientists working in basic aspects of cancer causation. Its specific areas of interest have been in the role of chemical agents in causing cancer of the oesophagus, and methods of preventing liver cancer in high incidence areas. The collaboration between the Institutes and The Chinese University of Hong Kong will further foster the study and the prevention of cancers prevalent in the region.

Celebrating its first anniversary, the Sir Y K Pao Centre for Cancer at the Prince of Wales Hospital will act as a focus for collaborative research and exchange of ideas in all areas of cancer treatment and research.

The Faculty of Medicine, The Chinese University of Hong Kong has already sealed agreements with Beijing Medical University, Johns Hopkins University and University of Alberta, Canada.

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