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The Chinese University of Hong Kong and the Hong Kong Society of Digestive Endoscopy will jointly organize the Third International Workshop and Symposium on Therapeutic Endoscopy at the Prince of Wales Hospital from December 14 to 17. This forms part of the celebration programme to commemorate the 25th Anniversary of The CUHK.

Doctors from the Prince of Wales Hospital together with leaders in the field of endoscopy from the USA, England and Japan will be demonstrating a wide range of new techniques including endoscopic sphincterotomy and the removal of bile duct stones, endoscopic stenting for malignant biliary strictures, injection sclerotherapy for bleeding oesophageal varices, laser treatment for oesophageal tumours, endoscopic haemostasis for bleeding ulcers and colonoscopic polypectomy.

Fibreoptic endoscopy is a major technique on the frontiers of gastroenterology. In the past decade major breakthroughs in endoscopy have been made and it can now be used for treatment rather than diagnosis. Conditions that needed surgery in the past can now be treated with endoscopy, with much less suffering on the part of the patient.

The CUHK established a Combined Endoscopy Unit at the Prince of Wales Hospital in 1984, which has since made major contributions to the development of therapeutic endoscopy. Several new methods of endoscopic therapy, applicable to diseases prevalent in Hong Kong, have been successfully researched into by doctors in the Unit. For example, recurrent pyogenic cholangitis caused by stones in the bile ducts can now be removed by a new endoscopic technique without resorting to open surgery. Another technique they pioneered is the injection of haemostatic agents to stop bleeding from peptic ulcers, a very common disease in Hong Kong.

The 4-day International Workshop and Symposium will be attended by over 100 specialists in gastroenterology from all over the world. Specialists from various countries will have a chance to share their experience on therapeutic endoscopy.

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Dear Editor,

You are cordially invited to send a reporter/cameraman to cover the opening ceremony of the Workshop and Symposium which will take place on December 14 at 9:00 am in the Lecture Theatre, Prince of Wales Hospital, Shatin. The ceremony will be officiated by Prof Arthur K C Li, Associate Dean of Medicine, CUHK. For further enquiries, please ring 0-6363128 or 0-6363125.

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