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Prof Arthur K C Li re-elected Dean of Faculty of Medicine

Professor Arthur K C Li has been re-elected Dean of the Faculty of Medicine of The Chinese University of Hong Kong for a second term of three years with effect from July 1, 1995.

In the coming three years, Prof Li said, the medical faculty will enhance its leading position in medical education with its comprehensive range of academic programmes, outstanding teaching staff, excellent facilities and top-quality students.

Currently, the annual intake of the faculty is 330 undergraduates and about 100 postgraduates. The number of teachers now stands at 220. Three new departments of nursing, pharmacy and ophthalmology and visual sciences were further established in recent years, making a total of 21 departments in the faculty.

Prof Li has advocated for a long time that medical education should have closer relationships with the community at large. The faculty should train for and serve the community.

It is under such consideration that the Hong Kong Cancer Institute, a skin bank for burns victims, a purpose-built Endoscopy Centre, the Unit for Assisted Human Reproduction, the recently established Children Spina Bifida Clinic and various similar units were set up by the faculty at the University's teaching hospital, the Prince of Wales Hospital. These various institutes bring together doctors of different specialties, extensive research laboratories, treatment facilities to provide comprehensive care for patients.

The faculty has also achieved a number of medical breakthroughs including two successful live-related children liver transplants which put Hong Kong amongst the few leading centres in the world capable of performing such transplantations. Other achievements that have benefitted the community included the development of the HK Flap in ear surgery, bone marrow transplants in children, HK's first "test-tube" baby and advances in laparoscopic surgery.

The success of the Faculty of Medicine is reflected by the recent award of competitive research grants from the University Grants Committee. The Faculty of Medicine of the Chinese University of Hong Kong alone was awarded 55% of all grants to Medicine, Dentistry & Health areas amongst all the tertiary institutions.

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Professor Li's personal achievements in teaching and research have won him a long list of academic distinctions and awards. This year he was honoured as Edward Tooth Professor, University of Brisbane, Queensland, Australia; Honorary Fellow of the Royal College of Physician & Surgeons of Glasgow; and Edward Hallaran Bennet Lecturer at Trinity College, University of Dublin. He has published more than 10 books and over 200 papers.

A member of Hong Kong Medical Council since 1991, Prof Li has participated enthusiastically and extensively in community service. Last year, Prof Li was appointed a Hong Kong Affairs Advisor to the Chinese Government.

Note to Editors:

A photo of Prof. Li will be distributed via GIS press boxes. For press enquiries, please contact Mrs Shirley Kwok of the University's Information and PR Office at 2609-8897.