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Seven Chinese University Research Projects Rated Excellence by RGC

The Research Grants Council today displayed for the first time some of the best university research projects which received its grants and had been rated as excellent in the assessment upon completion.

As at last November, a total of 63 projects of the seven RGC-funded tertiary institutions have been so assessed, and 11 were judged to be excellent, of which seven were conducted by staff of the Chinese University of Hong Kong (CUHK).

"Quality research work is what we are after at the Chinese University of Hong Kong," said **Prof. Lee Cheuk Yu**, who is one of the CUHK research scientists invited to take part in today's presentation. "Such encouraging results will certainly add to the impetus in our pursuit for new knowledge in future," added Prof. Lee, who is Chairman of the Department of Biochemistry.

The seven Chinese University research projects which won the accolades had achieved significant results in the areas of **computerization of ancient Chinese texts; creation of new hi-tech chemical materials; understanding of the resonant optical processes in tiny liquid droplets and optical fibres; the mechanisms governing cell growth and death; the anatomical, biochemical and physiological studies of brain transplants; psychological studies of human cognition; and the investigation of novel fibres and integrated optical devices for communication systems.**

They were conducted respectively by researchers from the University's **Institute of Chinese Studies**; and the Departments of **Chemistry, Physics, Biochemistry, Anatomy, Psychology, and Electronics Engineering.**

The projects received a total of HK\$ 3.2 million from the Research Grants Council.

Meanwhile, the Research Grants Council today announced the allocations for the year 1995/96, and 112 research projects of the Chinese University have successfully competed for a total of HK\$53 million of the grants.

Attachment : List of the Seven Excellent CUHK Research Projects
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