

Symposium 2025

State Key Laboratory of Liver Research (HKU)

RGC Theme-based Research Scheme Project on Translations to Enhance Liver Cancer Management

25 October 2025 (Saturday) | Salon 5-6, JW Marriott Hotel, 88 Queensway, Hong Kong

Time	Duration*	Sessions
09:00 - 09:05	5 min	Welcoming Speech by Organizing Committee Chairperson (Basic) Professor Ken Hoi-Tang MA <i>Assistant Professor, Department of Pathology, HKU</i>
09:05 - 09:10	5 min	Opening Remarks by SKLLR Director Professor Irene Oi-Lin NG <i>Chair Professor, Department of Pathology, HKU</i>
1st Session Chairpersons: Professor Judy Wai-Ping YAM & Professor Clive Yik-Sham CHUNG		
09:10 - 09:55	--	Young Researcher Presentations (This session will feature presentations by approximately 3-4 PhD students or postdoctoral fellows supervised by SKLLR PIs from different schools or departments.)
09:55 - 10:10	15 min	Basic Research Presentation 1 Dr Regina Cheuk-Lam LO <i>Clinical Associate Professor, Department of Pathology, HKU</i> Topic: Anti-STC1 as a Therapeutic Strategy for Liver Fibrosis
10:10 - 10:30	20 min	Tea Break
2nd Session Chairpersons: Professor Dong-Yan JIN & Professor Jack Chun-Ming WONG		
10:30 - 11:10	40 min	Basic Keynote Lecture 1 Professor André BOONSTRA <i>Professor of Experimental Hepatology, Immunology of Viral Hepatitis and Liver Lab, Department of Gastroenterology & Hepatology, Erasmus MC - University Medical Center, Rotterdam, The Netherlands</i> Topic: Immune profiling in chronic HBV
11:10 - 11:25	15 min	Basic Research Presentation 2 Professor Heidi Guang-Sheng LING <i>Assistant Professor, School of Biomedical Science and Department of Medicine, HKU</i> Topic: TBC
11:25 - 11:40	15 min	Basic Research Presentation 3 Professor Terence Kin-Wah LEE <i>Associate Head and Professor, Department of Applied Biology and Chemical Technology, Hong Kong Polytechnic University</i> Topic: Exploring Immune Resistance Vulnerabilities in Hepatocellular Carcinoma
11:40 - 11:55	15 min	Panel Discussion - Liver Disease Immunology Moderators: Professor Dong-Yan JIN Professor Jack Chun-Ming WONG Panelist: Professor André BOONSTRA Professor Heidi Guang-Sheng LING Professor Terence Kin-Wah LEE
3rd Session Chairpersons: Professor Xin-Yuan GUAN & Professor Stephanie MA		
11:55 - 12:10	15 min	Basic Research Presentation 4 Professor Carmen Chak-Lui WONG <i>Associate Professor, Department of Pathology, HKU</i> Topic: TBC
12:10 - 12:25	15 min	Basic Research Presentation 5 Professor Jun YU <i>Assistant Dean, Faculty of Medicine and Professor, Department of Medicine and Therapeutics, The Chinese University of Hong Kong</i> Topic: Gut Microbiome / Metabolites in MASLD and HCC via Gut-Liver Axis
12:25 - 13:30	65 min	Group Photo-taking & Lunch

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4th Session Chairpersons: Professor Thomas Chung-Cheung YAU, Professor Tan-To CHEUNG		
13:30 - 14:10	40 min	Basic Keynote Lecture 2 Professor André BOONSTRA <i>Professor of Experimental Hepatology, Immunology of Viral Hepatitis and Liver Lab, Department of Gastroenterology & Hepatology, Erasmus MC - University Medical Center, Rotterdam, The Netherlands</i> Topic: Biomarkers for early HCC detection
14:10 – 14:50	40 min	Clinical Keynote Lecture 1 Professor Masatoshi KUDO <i>Professor and Chairman, Department of Gastroenterology and Hepatology, Kindai University Faculty of Medicine, Osaka, Japan</i> Topic: Immunotherapy for advanced HCC: IO plus Anti-VEGF or IO plus IO?
14:50 – 15:00	10 min	Panel Discussion - Innovations in HCC Moderators: Professor Thomas Chung-Cheung YAU Professor Tai-To CHEUNG Panelists: Professor André BOONSTRA Professor Masatoshi KUDO
15:00 - 15:20	20 min	Tea Break
5th Session Chairpersons: Professor Man-Fung YUEN & Professor Tan-To CHEUNG		
15:20 - 15:35	15 min	Clinical Presentation 1 Dr Simon Hing-Yin Tsang <i>Consultant, Department of Surgery, Queen Mary Hospital</i> <i>Honorary Clinical Associate Professor, Department of Surgery, HKU</i> Topic: TBC
15:35 - 16:15	40 min	Clinical Keynote Lecture 2 Professor Masatoshi KUDO <i>Professor and Chairman, Department of Gastroenterology and Hepatology, Kindai University Faculty of Medicine, Osaka, Japan</i> Topic: Immunotherapy combined with locoregional therapy to achieve cure in non-metastatic HCC
16:15 - 16:25	10 min	Panel Discussion – Immunotherapy in Liver Disease Moderators: Professor Man-Fung YUEN Professor Tai-To CHEUNG Panelists: Dr Simon Hing-Yin Tsang Professor Masatoshi KUDO
6th Session Chairpersons: Professor Walter Wai-Kay SETO & Professor Loey Lung-Yi MAK		
16:25 – 16:40	15 min	Clinical Presentation 2 Professor Michael Ka-Shing Cheung <i>Clinical Associate Professor, Department of Medicine, HKU</i> Topic: Effects of sodium glucose cotransporter 2 inhibitors on hepatic steatosis, cirrhosis and hepatocellular carcinoma
16:40 – 16:55	15 min	Clinical Presentation 3 Dr Rex Wan-Hin Hui <i>Resident, Department of Medicine, Queen Mary Hospital</i> Topic: Application of artificial intelligence in radiological diagnosis and prognostication of hepatocellular carcinoma
16:55 - 17:00	5 min	Closing Remarks by Organizing Committee Chairperson (Clinical) Professor Loey Lung-Yi MAK <i>Clinical Assistant Professor, Department of Medicine, HKU</i>

* Each presentation slot includes a 5-min Q&A session.

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