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PERSONNEL MATTERS

- Professor H S Kwan, Dean of Science, is appointed Justice of Peace.
- Professor Samuel S M Sun has been appointed as Emeritus Professor of Biology and Research Professor of Biology with effect from 1 August 2008.
- Professor Tony K M Shing of the Chemistry Department has been awarded the Croucher Senior Research Fellowship 2008/09.
- Professor Ge Wei of the Biology Department and Dr. Wong Wing Hung of the Physics Department received the VC's Exemplary Teaching Award 2007.
- Professor Chu Ka Hou of the Biology Department and Professor Li Quan of the Physics Department received the Research Excellence Award 2007/08.
- Professor Liu Zhifeng of the Chemistry Department was named recipient of the Young Researcher Award 2007.

Congratulations to All!

STUDENT ACHIEVEMENTS

Miss Choi Lai Sheung, MPhil in Chemistry 2007, and Mr Sin Yung Wa, MPhil in Biology 2007, have won the first-ever The University of Oxford Croucher Scholarships to pursue PhD studies at the University of Oxford in 2008/09. The scholarships, amounting to nearly HK$1.2 million each, provide full financial support for their studies at Oxford. Miss Choi will pursue chemical biology and study the use of mutant transmembrane toxin (a-hemolysin) in aiding DNA sequencing and the detection of other molecules at single-molecule level to detect pharmacodynamics and toxicogenomics of chemical substances. Mr Sin will join the Wildlife Conservation Research Unit of the Department of Zoology at Oxford to study the management of endangered species and the ecosystem for his PhD in zoology.

Dr. Liu Hongyu of the Mathematics Department received the Award for the Best Research Output by Research Postgraduate Students.

Congratulations to All!

BIO-X LUNCH COLLOQUIUM

The Faculty organises monthly BIO-X lunch colloquium in C N Yang Reading Room for staff interested in participating in this inter-disciplinary research initiate. The last topic was:

Date: 14 May 2008 (Wednesday)

Topic: Inferring transcription networks in plant stress response
Speaker: Professor Diane Guo, Assistant Professor,
Department of Biology, CUHK

SUMMER ACTIVITIES

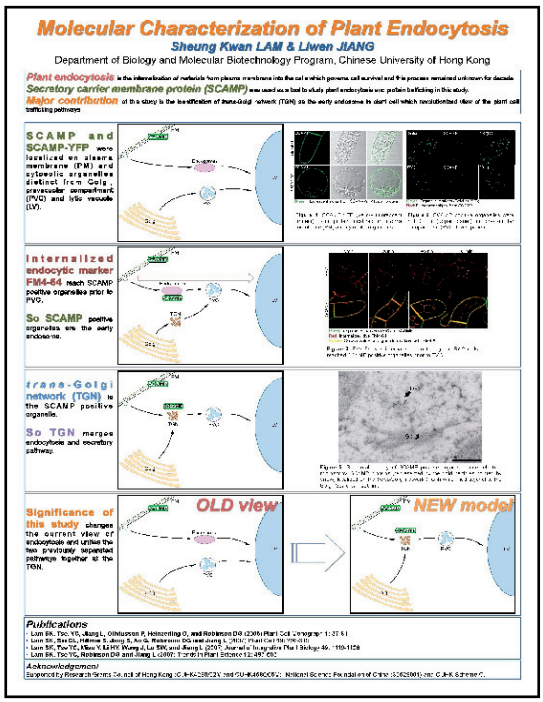
Joint Faculty Research Day 2008

The Joint Faculty Research Day 2008 jointly organized by the Faculties of Engineering and Science on 12 June 2008 atrracted many participants.

Winners of the Student Posters Competition for Science students are:

Mr Au Chun Hang (Biology Department)

Mr Lam Sheung Kwan (Molecular Biotechnology Programme)



The winners received a cash prize of HK$2,000 and a certificate of merit.

More photos can be found at http://www.cuhk.edu.hk/event/sci-erg/researchday08/

Summer Science Programme 2008

200 youths from 12-14 years attended the summer science camp from 15-18 July 2008 where they were taught principles of science through fun and games.

More photos can be found at: http://www.cuhk.edu.hk/sci/summer_camp/

Iron Man of Science Competition 2008

60 S6 students attended this event to compete for the title of Iron man of Science held from 25-26 July 2008. The winners are

Name/School Name	Iron Man 2008
Lam Ning Hing (PLK No.1 W H Cheung College)	Champion
Ho Ping Ping (Stewards Pooi Tun Secondary School)	1st Runner Up
Hon Sui Fai (Homatin Government Secondary School)	2nd Runner Up




More photos can be found at: http://www.cuhk.edu.hk/sci/ironman/

Inauguration Ceremony for New Students 2008

The ceremony will be held on Thursday 28 August 2008. The itinerary is as follows:

4:30 p.m - 5:30 p.m.
Ceremony in SRRSH with VC and senior staff

5:45 p.m.- 7:00 p.m.
Faculty Tea Reception in Podium, Science Centre

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF ALUMNI DONATION

Giving our heartfelt thanks!!

The following alumnus have made generous donations to our Faculty. We would like to express our sincere appreciation of their kindly support here:

Name	Department
73 New Asia College Physics Alumni ($30,000) for 5 years scholarship	
Prof Kung Ching	Biology
Mr Cheung Kam Tak	Statistics- Risk Management Science Programme

More details of alumni donations to Faculty is located at: http://www.cuhk.edu.hk/sci/Donation/donation.html

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