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**CAREER TALK**

**How to Get In the Pharmaceutical Industry?**

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**Date: 23 January, 2017 (Monday)**

**Time: 6:30 pm – 8 pm**

**Venue: L2, Science Centre Lecture Theatre**

**Speaker's background:**

Dr. Lee has over 30 years of experience in both academic and pharmaceutical arena. He received his Ph. D. from Cambridge University and did his post-doctoral training at Johns Hopkins University. Dr. Lee joined the Biochemistry Department at CUHK in 1982 and began his drug discovery research on Traditional Chinese Medicine. He moved from academia to industrial research in 1992. Since then, he had created and led several multi-disciplinary drug discovery and development project teams at Abbott Laboratories, Bayer Corporation and AstraZeneca Pharmaceuticals to discover and validate novel molecule targets, generate appropriate animal models, identify drug candidates for diseases of the central nervous system (CNS), and deliver drug candidates to proof of principal studies in the clinic for Alzheimer's disease, multiple sclerosis, schizophrenia, depression and anxiety. He has extensive experience in working at the interface of R&D, developing global drug discovery strategy, forming collaborative joint ventures, evaluating licensing opportunities and facilitating strategic alignment of various discovery and development functions. The dedicated translational research of Dr. Lee's group has enabled the expansion of the indication of Seroquel (anti-psychotic drug which was discovered and developed in-house at AstraZeneca) from schizophrenia to bipolar disorder and major depressive disorder, benefiting millions of psychiatric patients.

Dr. Lee returned to Hong Kong in 2013 and started his pharmaceutical consultation business. In November 2016, he rejoined CUHK as the Knowledge Transfer Director at the Office of Research and Knowledge Transfer Services (ORKTS). If you want to find out how drugs are developed; what jobs are available to YOU in the pharmaceutical industry; how to get in and how to succeed; please come and join Dr. Lee on 23 January 2017 for an interactive discussion!