

# **Professor Leung Ping-chung**

## **Honorary Fellow of HKCOS 2008**

I know Prof Leung Ping Chung since 1978 while I was working under him in Princess Margaret Hospital. Prof Leung graduated from the Medical Faculty, University of Hong Kong.

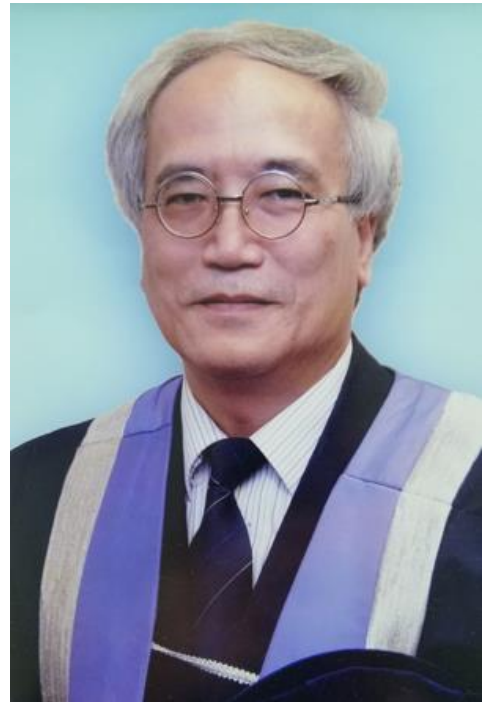
He is the founding and Emeritus Professor of Orthopaedics & Traumatology Department, Faculty of Medicine, Chinese University of Hong Kong. He is now the Director of Centre for Clinical Trials on Chinese Medicine; and Chairman of the Management Committee of the Institute of Chinese Medicine.

Professor Leung's research areas were extensive and including Orthopaedics, Osteoporosis, Microsurgery, Traditional Chinese Medicine and General Education. He is also the author of over 300 scientific manuscripts in journals and 17 books. In addition, Professor Leung has also been appointed as editor of 5 International Journals since 1982.

Professor Leung has been awarded many different kinds of honors, such as Far Eastern Economic Review - Asian Innovation Silver Award (2000), Order of the British Empire (1995) and Liston Victoria Jubilee Prize by Royal College of Surgeons (1990).

In his capacity of the Chairman of the Management Committee of the Institute of Chinese Medicine, Professor Leung has put enormous efforts in modernizing traditional Chinese medicine. He is the Co-Convener of the Clinical Trials Section and has adopted the Efficacy Driven Approach in Clinical Trials. Currently, there are more than 40 clinical trials research projects underway in the Institute of Chinese Medicine.

Professor Leung has served as Presidents of the Hong Kong Society for Surgery of the Hand; the Hong Kong Orthopaedic Association, and the Hong Kong College of



Orthopaedic Surgeons. He has been an examiner for the Royal College of Surgeons in Edinburgh, and the Royal Australasian College of Surgeons. His contribution to scholarship in his field is prodigious. In 1994 he was the first recipient of the Chinese University of Hong Kong DSc degree.

Hong Kong and the Mainland have benefited significantly from Professor Leung's indefatigable service to the community. His deep concern to prevent the injuries is reflected in the many years he has devoted to the Chairmanship of the Occupational Safety and Health Council, and his membership of various Committees of the Labour Department concerned with industrial safety. He is Chairman of the Ethics Committee of the Medical Council of Hong Kong, and played a leading role in formulating its recently revised professional code of conduct. Professor Leung was for five years a member of the Urban Council. His portfolios included not only matters of public health, but also the management of museums. The Chief Executive appointed him to the Arts Development Council where, as Chairman of the Literary Arts Committee, a body that provides financial support to Hong Kong writers. He is a delegate to the National People's Congress and has served this university's student grievance panel for many years.

The campaign 'Operation Concern' is almost synonymous with Professor Leung Ping Chung. This inspiring project harnesses the skills of Hong Kong orthopaedic surgeons, physiotherapists, nurses and others to treat physically disabled patients in remote areas of the Mainland. These hapless regions frequently lack the most rudimentary medical facilities. The annual pilgrimage of the medical teams of 'Operation Concern' alleviates the unfortunate plight of many in these distant territories. Professor Leung and 'Operation Concern' have received the Minority Groups Award for the help they have brought to these indigent people.

Mr President, I would like to present to you Prof. PC Leung for the Honorary Fellowship of the Hong Kong College of Orthopaedic Surgeons.