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A Lasting Legacy

Two more Professorships in Plastic Surgery and Regenerative Medicine; Cardiovascular Medicine set up

Over the last year, two more Professorships in Plastic Surgery and Regenerative Medicine and Cardiovascular Medicine were established. This brings the total number of Professorships established in the SingHealth Duke-NUS Academic Medical Centre to six including Oncology, Ophthalmology, Plastic Surgery and Regenerative Medicine as well as Cardiovascular Medicine.

Lee Seng Teik and Lee Hoo Leng Professorship in Plastic Surgery and Regenerative Medicine

In April 2014, this Professorship was established, under the Surgery Academic Clinical Programme. It was made possible with a joint gift from Professor Lee Seng Teik, Emeritus Consultant at SGH's Department of Plastic, Reconstructive and Aesthetic Surgery and his close family friend, Mr Lee Hoo Leng.

This Professorship aims to build a critical mass of investigators whose research will provide insights into the basic processes of tissue and organ regeneration and how this can translate into new therapies, such as chronic and wound healing, that are relevant in our ageing population. The broad areas of research will include cell therapy, tissue engineering, biomaterials engineering, growth factors and transplantation science.

The Academic Chair will have the opportunity to collaborate with Duke University's Stem Cell and Regenerative Programme and its network of world renowned centres.

Professor Lee explained, "We know tissue and organ regeneration is possible but we have a long way to go before we can achieve it. I believe that if researchers are given time and resources for further study, such regeneration will become a reality one day."

Tanoto Foundation Professorship in Cardiovascular Medicine

In September 2014, in conjunction with the launch of the National Heart Research Institute Singapore (NHRIS) at the SingHealth Duke-NUS Scientific Congress 2014, this Professorship was established with a \$2.5 million gift from the Tanoto Foundation. The Foundation also gave another \$500,000 to fund the Tanoto Foundation Initiative for Genetics and Stem Cell Research at NHRIS.

The Chair will enable research in human genetics to identify new ways of diagnosing, stratifying and testing patients with cardiovascular diseases. Using advanced techniques such as genetics, biomarkers, advanced imaging and bioinformatics, those genetically predisposed to heart diseases can be identified early to allow preventive interventions to take place.

"Tanoto Foundation has, over the years, been a strong supporter of medical research that has the potential to bring about transformative impact to society. We are particularly delighted to contribute to the advancement of research in cardiovascular medicine for the Asian community, as we believe the breakthrough results will enable healthcare practitioners to address the region's medical needs more effectively, in relation to heart diseases."

- Mr Bey Soo Kiang, Chairman of Tanoto Foundation Board of Governance

One Fund: Many Beneficiaries

Philanthropic investments empower our clinicians, scientists and educators to innovate care, accelerate discoveries and nurture Medicine's future leaders. One of the most lasting gifts a donor can make is towards the establishments of Professorships, or Academic Chairs.

Created for legacy, the gift will be linked in perpetuity to the sterling achievements of the appointee. The permanence of an endowed fund also ensures that a particular area of research will benefit, especially as it generates increased funding over time.

Professorships, therefore, provide the resources for a select few distinguished individuals to do outstanding work in research, teaching and patient care. Ultimately, this will advance the frontiers of Medicine for patients and the community.



(From left to right) Prof Ivy Ng, SingHealth Group CEO, Mr Lee Hoo Leng, Prof Lee Seng Teik and Prof Thomas Coffman, Dean-designate, Duke-NUS, at the launch of the Professorship



President Tony Tan (centre) receiving the gift of \$3 million from Mr Sukanto Tanoto (third from left)

Outstanding cardiologist conferred Professorship

In October 2014, the SingHealth Duke-NUS Academic Medical Centre announced the award of the Tanoto Foundation Professorship in Cardiovascular Medicine to Professor Stuart Cook of the National Heart Centre Singapore.

The Professorship recognises Professor Cook as an outstanding clinician and researcher who has demonstrated academic leadership and is a pioneer in advancing the frontiers of cardiovascular medicine.



Giving Times speaks to Professor Stuart Cook to understand how he will be advancing cardiovascular research and how his work will impact the heart health of Singaporeans.

Professor Cook is a Senior Consultant at the Department of Cardiology, NHCS. He is also a Distinguished Clinician Scientist and Director of the NHRIS. He is a Deputy Director of the Cardiovascular and Metabolic Disorders Programme at Duke-NUS Graduate Medical School.

Congratulations on being conferred the Academic Chair for the Tanoto Foundation Professorship in Cardiovascular Medicine. What are the key areas of research that you will be focusing on?

Prof Cook: There are three main areas that we are focusing on at the NHRIS, which is a research collaboration between NHCS and Duke-NUS Graduate Medical School Singapore.

1. We are working out the genetic factors that cause heart disease and artery disease in local populations, particularly the genetics that cause the heart to pump inadequately when the heart muscles are either too thick or too thin.
2. We are also looking into the causes of heart stiffness that lead to abnormal heart rhythms called atrial fibrillation, which leads to stroke in some people.
3. We are using cardiac magnetic resonance imaging (MRI), which is a diagnostic tool that allows us to give a full cardiovascular assessment of the heart and blood vessels, heart pump function, arterial function and heart scarring, to help establish a baseline of what is normal in the local population. This imaging technology also allows a more careful examination of the heart and helps us identify new ways to diagnose heart disease.

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The Healing Power of Giving

According to a November 2011 article published by Harvard Health*, a sense of gratitude helps people feel more positive, relish good experiences, cope better with adverse situations and improve their health. This sense of gratitude also enables people to connect with something larger than themselves as individuals – such as to other people or to a more noble and meaningful cause.

*http://www.health.harvard.edu/newsletter_article/in-praise-of-gratitude

Advocating for advancement through research

In 2006, Helina Chan, the owner of iPreciation Gallery, was suddenly plagued with severe water retention, numbness in parts of her body and excessive hair loss. She was then at the height of her career as one of Singapore's most prominent gallerists. A battery of health checks revealed that she had an autoimmune disease which was managed with medication.

Unfortunately, in 2010, the disease flared up again and this time, Helina was diagnosed with lupus, an autoimmune disease which attacks tissues and organs such as blood cells, skin and kidneys. The disease caused her kidneys to 'leak' and she was found to have a dangerously low white blood cell count. Later, Helina learnt how complex this condition was and was surprised at how little was known about it.

"My doctors told me there is no cure," Helina recalled. "I then found out that there has been no new drug in the market for the past 20 years!" This spurred her to find a way to help others. In conjunction with iPreciation Gallery's 15th anniversary, she organised a Benefit Dinner on 5 November 2014 at the Four Seasons Hotel and raised more than \$570,000 towards research into Rheumatological diseases including lupus, rheumatoid arthritis and systemic sclerosis.

Sharing her motivation and passion for this cause, Helina said, "I empathise totally with the pain and struggles of other patients because my medical ordeal lasted two years. I am lucky to have survived, thanks to the dedicated care of my doctors. I hope that one day, medical research can help doctors,

especially here in Asia, to understand these diseases better to find new treatments or even cures."

Creating a lasting legacy: Giving In Memoriam

Numerous studies have indicated that the act of giving from a grateful patient or his family, constitutes an essential part of the healing process. In the unfortunate event where a patient passes on, the gesture of giving often brings about reconciliation, balance and closure for the family as they grieve the loss of their loved one.

The late Mr Koo Ping-Tsien touched many with his generous, approachable and humble personality. He was a filial son, a supportive brother, a loving uncle and a devoted fiancé. A keen sportsman, he was actively involved in the NUS archery club during his undergraduate studies and the Singapore Formula One Grand Prix as a race official. At the prime of his life, as he was preparing to get married, he was diagnosed with Acute Myeloid Leukaemia in January 2012.

He underwent a bone marrow transplant and his fighting spirit and perseverance shone through. He insisted on going back to work despite the physical and emotional pain. Unfortunately, he suffered a relapse and passed away peacefully in July 2013.

In memory of Mr Koo, the family made two gifts to SGH. One was to help needy haematology patients and the other was in support of the Leukaemia Research Fund. The gifts harbour the family's most sincere hope that one day, more effective treatments or even a cure may be found, so that more lives can be saved.

Enabling healing: The central role of clinicians

Giving promotes healing. This meaningful gesture, therefore, can be seen as a natural extension of a clinician's care process; complementary to and extending beyond the clinical realm.

Dr Richard Quek, Senior Consultant at the Division of Medical Oncology, National Cancer Centre Singapore (NCCS), shared his encounter in March 2014 where the family of a young patient, decided to make



Helina (in red, centre) with Professor Ang Chong Lye, CEO, SGH (fifth from left), Professor Fong Kok Yong, CMB, SGH (sixth from right), Ms Odile Benjamin (fourth from left), Professor Julian Thumboo, Senior Consultant (third from left) and doctors from the Department of Rheumatology and Immunology, SGH

a gift towards sarcoma research when the patient succumbed to the disease. Tom* was a fitness instructor in his 20s when he was diagnosed with sarcoma, a rare form of soft tissue cancer. He was extremely close to his family, especially during the period of his illness. A few months after Tom passed away, Dr Quek was surprised to receive a text message from Tom's family, expressing their intention to make a gift in his memory.

Having recently attended the 'Clinician Involvement in Philanthropy Programme' (CIPP) (see below), Dr Quek collaborated with development officers at NCCS to enable Tom's family to find closure as they made a major gift to advance sarcoma research. Dr Quek explained, "When I attended the CIPP,

it brought to mind an incident several years ago, where a friend wanted to make a gift after his father passed away. At that time, I felt that accepting the gift was awkward especially when the outcome was poor. The opportunity lapsed. Now, having understood how making a donation helps the patient and his family, I am glad that I have done my part to help Tom's family come to terms with their loss."

*not his real name

“ My family was devastated when my brother passed away. We wanted to do something meaningful to remember him by. By donating, we were able to slowly come to terms with our loss and find some closure during this very difficult period of our lives. We know that his legacy will live on as the money will be used to help others. It is also a small gesture to show our appreciation for the dedicated care that the doctors, nurses and therapists provided. ”

- Geraldine Koo, Mr Koo's sister

About the Clinician Involvement in Philanthropy Programme (CIPP)

The CIPP aims to create awareness amongst clinicians about the potential and importance of philanthropy in furthering our pursuit of Academic Medicine. Investing in medical research and education today shapes the advancements in Medicine to benefit future generations. The goal is to build stronger partnerships between clinicians, development officers and like-minded individuals and corporations who can further the common mission to better the lives and health of patients and the community.

■ Outstanding clinician conferred Professorship

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Why is it important to focus on these areas of research?

Prof Cook: In Medicine, there are areas which are relatively well developed and others which are not. For example, we still do not have a specific treatment for dilated cardiomyopathy and atrial fibrillation. There are treatments, but some patients do not respond well to them.

Ultimately, we want to stop the disease even before the symptoms manifest. To do that, we really need to understand the disease process better and find the causes through research.

How will this impact the population's heart health in the years to come?

Prof Cook: In the future, research will shape and create new ways for doctors to identify people at risk of having heart disease, especially inherited conditions. When we have enough data, we might also be able to make new medicines to treat these conditions.

What is your vision for cardiovascular research in Singapore?

Prof Cook: The NHRIS aims to be Asia's premier research hub for cardiovascular medicine. To achieve that, we need to grow our local database of biospecimens and clinical data from both heart patients and healthy individuals. It will be very difficult for us to progress without an established database. Therefore, I encourage Singaporeans to find out more about our research benefits and come forward to take part. We also need to groom and grow our pool of clinician scientists and researchers, and get the younger generations to see the importance of pursuing research.

An Eye on the Future

SERI's Eye Ball 2014 raises more than \$500,000 for eye research

On 24 October 2014, Singapore Eye Research Institute (SERI) organised the Eye Ball 2014 at the Fullerton Hotel. Held for the third year and jointly supported by the Singapore Tatler, the annual event raises funds for eye research towards the prevention and treatment of blinding eye diseases. This year's theme, 'Eye on the Future', puts the spotlight on eye diseases that affect our young, which has a profound impact on their development and quality of life.

In his speech, Guest-of-Honour Professor Tan Chorh Chuan, President of the National University of Singapore, highlighted a sobering global statistic – every minute, a child goes blind and 60% of children die within one year of going blind. Even more distressing is the fact that a vast majority of their blindness is preventable.

In Singapore, myopia is a significant public health problem. The prevalence of myopia is 62% here compared to 20% in the United States and 11.9% in Australia. In 30 years,

it is envisioned that 83% of those between 40 and 50 years old in Singapore will be myopic with 15% having high myopia, thus increasing their risk of vision loss from retinal detachment, macular damage, glaucoma and cataract.

The Eye Ball 2014 raised a total of \$515,369 towards supporting SERI's research endeavours as they pioneer innovative therapies and disease prevention strategies

Professor Tan Chorh Chuan (centre, seated) with Professor Ioy Ng, Group CEO, SingHealth (second from right, seated) with guests at the VIP table at the Eye Ball 2014



to alleviate or prevent blindness and visual impairment. The funds will enable a better understanding of major eye diseases affecting our population, how they can be prevented and effectively treated.

\$1 million gift to boost cancer research



Almost four years ago, the beloved wife of Dr Charles Toh, one of Singapore's most eminent cardiologists – the late Vicky Toh – passed away from liver cancer. In memory of her, Dr Toh decided to make

a gift of \$1 million towards cancer research, in support of the postgraduate Oncology Fellowship Programme under the Oncology ACP. *Giving Times* spoke to Dr Charles Toh, who is also the Chairman of the National Cancer Centre Research Fund Board of Trustees, to understand what he hopes the Vicky Toh Cancer Research Fellowship will achieve.

GT: Could you tell us more about your decision to make this gift?

After my wife passed away, I felt that the best way to create a memorial in her name was to make a gift in the form of a medical grant. I discussed it with my family, and they were all in support of this decision. The dollar-to-dollar matching from the Government, made possible by SingHealth's partnership with Duke-NUS Graduate Medical School, for this endowed gift was also useful as the doubling of funds will further the gift intent.

GT: Why have you chosen to give towards the establishment of a Research Fellowship?

From my experience, after practising Medicine for more than 50 years, I firmly believe that the pursuit of clinical research is necessary. Especially for younger doctors,

being trained in clinical work alone is not enough. You must do research. It is part of the holistic training process. Doing research enlightens the mind. It develops critical thinking skills that will be of great help in your medical career, regardless of whether you are a clinician-scientist or a clinician who has a passion for patient care.

GT: What do you hope this gift will achieve?

I hope that this Fellowship will encourage younger doctors to take a year or two off their clinical practice to participate in research projects. Cancer is becoming a lot more common today. The numbers are going to increase, especially as our population ages. We must continue to invest in research, so that someday, we will hopefully be able to find cures for some of the cancers.

GT: Do you have any advice for anyone who may be keen to make a gift towards medical research?

Involvement in medical and scientific research is a long-term enterprise. The journey from making a discovery to benefitting patients can take years. Thus, it is an expensive endeavour. However, research is critical in enabling fundamental discoveries which may lead to breakthroughs in the treatment of diseases such as cancer or heart disease. Anecdotally, for every ten research projects undertaken, only two may present findings that lead to cures. The other eight will only enrich the wisdom of that field. Therefore, giving to research is a long term investment and without it, Medicine will not advance. In doing so, hopefully, it will also put Singapore on the map for excellence in medical research.

Can aspirin reduce death from colorectal cancer?

Lee Foundation supports international study with \$750,000 gift

Research for colon cancer got a boost in October 2014 with a \$750,000 support from the Lee Foundation. The gift supports the ASCOLT Study, which is an international collaborative randomised phase 3 clinical trial currently underway, to evaluate the benefit of low dose aspirin in patients with Stage 2 and 3 colorectal cancer.

Many observational studies over the past decade have strongly suggested a role for Aspirin in preventing colon cancer recurrence. The ASCOLT Study – conceived, designed and coordinated by Singapore, has been established to provide the evidence required to change cancer treatment guidelines. Led by a team of academic

doctors from Singapore, UK and Australia, the trial involves more than 50 partnering hospitals in 11 countries including Singapore, India, China, Korea, Malaysia, Indonesia, Saudi Arabia, Australia and New Zealand.

Colorectal cancer is the third most common cancer worldwide with almost one million new cases diagnosed each year. More than half of the patients diagnosed with this condition die from it.

Dr Toh Han Chong, Deputy Director, National Cancer Centre Singapore (NCCS) and Co-Chair, ASCOLT Study, explained, "If we are able to establish the efficacy of Aspirin, an off-patent drug that costs just one cent per tablet, in reducing colorectal deaths, the

impact on affordability of treatment for one of the world's commonest cancer will be tremendous. It will change the way colon cancer is managed globally and lead to an enormous number of lives saved each year."

Dr John Chia, Senior Consultant, NCCS, Co-Chair, ASCOLT Study, added, "Colorectal cancer is Singapore's most common cancer and it is on a rapid rise in Asia. We are extremely grateful to the Lee Foundation for their support of this study that is highly relevant to our community."

This study is the first of its kind and has been tipped as one of the most important cancer studies globally. To date, more than 650 patients have been recruited onto the

study and it is on track to meet the target of 1,200 patients. Globally, the study is expected to recruit the last patient by 2016, with that patient being followed up until 2021. A further \$2.25 million dollars over the next three years is required to enable the completion of this study.

To make a gift to the ASCOLT Study, please email NCCS Community Partnership at communitypartnership@nccs.com.sg.

Getting to the Heart of the Matter

Lee Foundation supports research to further understanding of cardiovascular disease in Asians with \$950,000 gift

In Singapore, about 7,000 heart attack cases occur every year. In some cases, heart attacks occur in seemingly healthy young men and women. What causes a heart attack and how can we prevent it? How can we better predict individual responses to treatment and treat heart diseases more effectively?

An in-depth research project, SingHEART, hopes to unravel these fundamental questions, enabled by initial research funding of \$950,000 from the Lee Foundation. The project is a large-scale and longitudinal study of 10,000 healthy individuals, who

will be observed for heart attacks, stroke and deaths. It will look into how cardiac disease develops and progresses in healthy Singaporeans and how individuals respond to treatment and the underlying reasons for different responses in therapy.

The goal is to develop a cardiovascular risk assessment tool specifically for Singaporeans and Asians by collecting and studying in-depth clinical, genetic, metabolic and imaging information of the research participants.

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SingHEART's five core areas of focus are:

- to examine the interaction of genetic risk factors with acquired risk factors (environment and lifestyle) in the development of cardiovascular disease and how this differs in the different ethnic groups
- to identify those at risk of sudden cardiac death early to prevent more cases from happening
- to identify those who are asymptomatic and clinically free of heart disease but are at high risk of developing heart disease in the future
- to understand disease development and progression to develop new diagnostic tools, medicines and treatment plans
- to better understand rare genetic heart diseases

Giving from the Heart

NHCS inaugural charity gala raises more than \$780,000

25-year-old heart patient Kevin Wong was diagnosed with dilated cardiomyopathy, a condition in which the heart becomes weakened, enlarged and cannot pump blood efficiently. Critically ill, he had to be put on a short-term life support system to stabilize his condition before undergoing the implantation of a heart assist device. With this life-saving procedure, Kevin resumed his studies and graduated with an engineering diploma last year.

In Singapore, one-third of all deaths are due to heart disease or stroke. Heart disease can have a devastating impact on individuals and their families at the prime of their lives, without warning. The story of Kevin's struggle with heart disease underscores the impetus of the National Heart Centre Singapore's (NHCS) inaugural Heart to Heart Gala 2015.

Themed 'The First Beat', this charity gala marked the beginning of NHCS major fundraising efforts. Dr Ng Eng Hen, Minister for Defence, was the Guest of Honour at the gala which was held at the Conrad Centennial Singapore.

One of the key fundraising avenues of the gala featured six sculptures, each embodying NHCS's values of collaboration, collegiality, compassion, respect, integrity and professionalism that were created in partnership with the School of the Arts (SOTA). Support for these sculptures garnered a total of \$373,000.

The gala dinner raised \$780,955 for the NHCS Heart2Heart Fund. Half of the funds will be used to support needy patients and patient care programmes. The other half will be channeled towards cardiovascular research, especially in understanding the Asian genome and how genetics can play a critical role in diagnosing and preventing heart disease.

For more information on how to donate to the NHCS Heart2Heart Fund, please email development@nhcs.com.sg.



Adj Prof Terrance Chua, Medical Director, NHCS, presenting a bouquet of flowers to volunteer, Karen Ho, who was the co-chair of the gala organising committee



The Guest of Honour, Minister for Defence, Dr Ng Eng Hen presenting a token of appreciation to Mr Gordon Tang, Director, Tang Dynasty. Mr Tang supported the 'Professionalism' sculpture with a \$135,000 donation

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Associate Professor (Adj) Yeo Khung Keong, Principal Researcher and Senior Consultant at the NHCS explained, "Only by studying and understanding how heart disease develops, progresses and why it occurs in our local population, can we hope to come up with ways to predict and prevent it from

happening. Rapid advancements in imaging, genetics and metabolomics today enable us to learn more about cardiovascular disease in ways we never thought were possible. We are deeply appreciative of the Lee Foundation's support, and for working with NHCS to transform the prediction, diagnosis

and treatment of cardiovascular disease."

To pledge your support for SingHEART, please contact us at 6704 2384 or email development@nhcs.com.sg.

SingHealth Charity Golf Tournament raises record amount

Held for the fourth year running, the SingHealth Charity Golf Tournament 'On Course for Cure' took place at the Sentosa Golf Club on 7 August 2014. It raised a record amount of over \$420,000 for research initiatives under the Surgery, Medicine and Cardiovascular Academic Clinical Programmes. The next SingHealth Charity Golf Tournament will be held in 2016.

“ Supporting SingHealth Research is a worthwhile cause. We believe it is important to invest in medical research to develop and discover new solutions for preventing and treating diseases especially relevant to the Asian population. We are therefore very proud to support SingHealth's ground-breaking work and look forward to new discoveries and knowledge that can be shared with the next generation of doctors. ”

- Mr Philip Fong, Managing Partner, Harry Elias Partnership LLP



Mr Lim Boon Heng (3rd from left) presenting the cheque to Prof Tan Ser Kiat, SingHealth Charity Golf Patron. Witnessing this are (from left to right) Prof Ivy Ng, SingHealth GCEO, Mr Peter Seah, SingHealth Chairman, Assoc Prof Chow Wan Cheng, Medicine ACP, Prof London Ooi, Surgery ACP, Prof Tan Kok Chai, SingHealth Charity Golf organising committee chairman, and Adj Prof Terrance Chua, Cardiovascular ACP and Medical Director of NHCS

Volunteering for a better and healthier tomorrow

Giving Times catches up with Ms Karen Ho, a volunteer with NHCS who helped organise the NHCS Gala Dinner 2015.

Q. Tell us more about yourself us more about yourself and how you started volunteering with NHCS.

A. My professional background is in technology marketing as well as brand and market development. I'm currently on a one-year sabbatical. I met Dr Lohendran from NHCS through mutual friends and learnt about NHCS's plans to kickstart its fundraising efforts. With prior fundraising experience with the Singapore Executive Committee of UNIFEM, I offered my help.

With the NHCS' Fundraising Steering Committee, we are establishing a good foundation and framework to garner philanthropic investments.

Q. Do share with us your involvement in the NHCS Gala Dinner.

A. The NHCS Gala Dinner was the Committee's first project to enable us to nurture goodwill and relationships with some of our grateful patients, partners and vendors. I co-chaired the Gala Dinner organising committee.

Q. How has the experience been?

A. It has been a wonderful experience working with the team. Everyone is genuinely eager to make a positive difference and raise the bar on the fundraising front. It has been personally very fulfilling. I hope that we can look back in a few years' to see how far we have come in our fundraising journey.

“ Whether it is through a personal or related experience, we will encounter heart disease in some form in our lives. If the work we do today will help bring about a better and healthier tomorrow, then I am happy to be part of this endeavour. ”

- Karen Ho

SingHealth Duke-NUS Gala Dinner 2015

Be part of the Symphony of Stars!

On Sunday, 30 August 2015, SingHealth and Duke-NUS Graduate Medical School will be organising the inaugural Gala Dinner to raise funds for medical research and education. This Gala Dinner brings together clinicians, researchers, educators, healthcare professionals and donors - endowed with diverse talents and resources - to strive towards a common goal. Our aim is to improve the health outcomes and lives of our patients and the community. Themed 'Symphony of Stars', the event is

also a celebration of a decade of partnership between SingHealth and Duke-NUS as an Academic Medical Centre, committed to advancing patient care and pursuing academic medicine.

Quantum leaps in biomedical sciences and technology today mean that we have new hope of finding better treatments and even cures for diseases that affect our local and Asian communities. To advance, research teams must have the resources to further

their ideas. The funds raised from this Gala Dinner will spark innovation, fuel research that translates promising successes in the laboratory into clinically meaningful improvements for patients and sharpen skills to set new benchmarks in improving care.

To find out more about the opportunities available to be part of this transformative journey that will push the frontiers of Medicine, please email giving@singhealth.com.sg.



SingHealth Duke-NUS
Gala Dinner 2015

Date:

Sunday, 30 August 2015

Time:

6.30 pm

Venue:

The Ritz-Carlton, Millenia Singapore

Guest of Honour:

Mr Tharman Shanmugaratnam,
Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Finance