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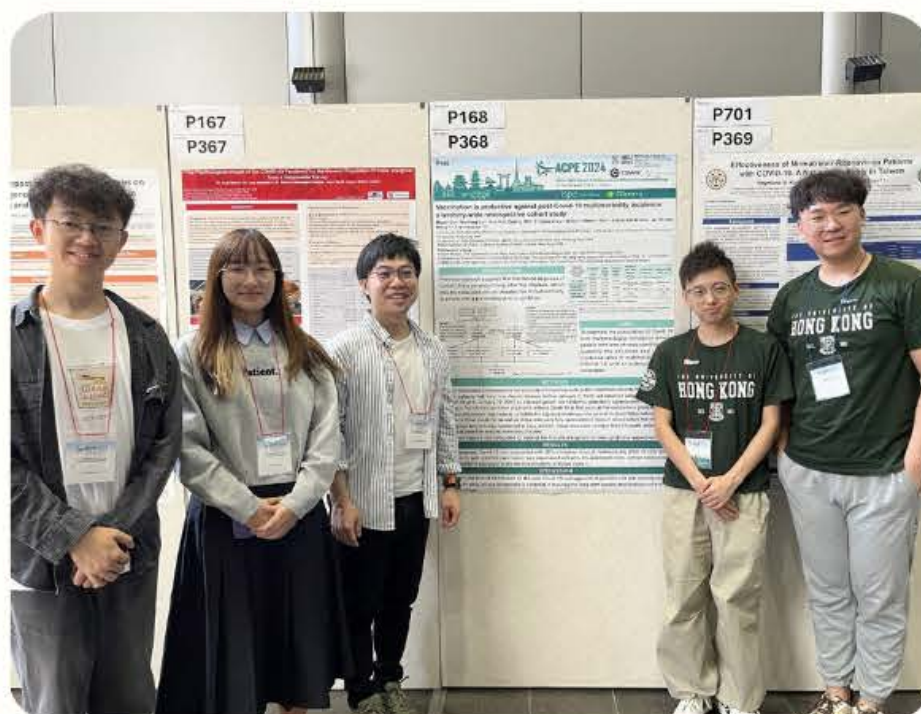
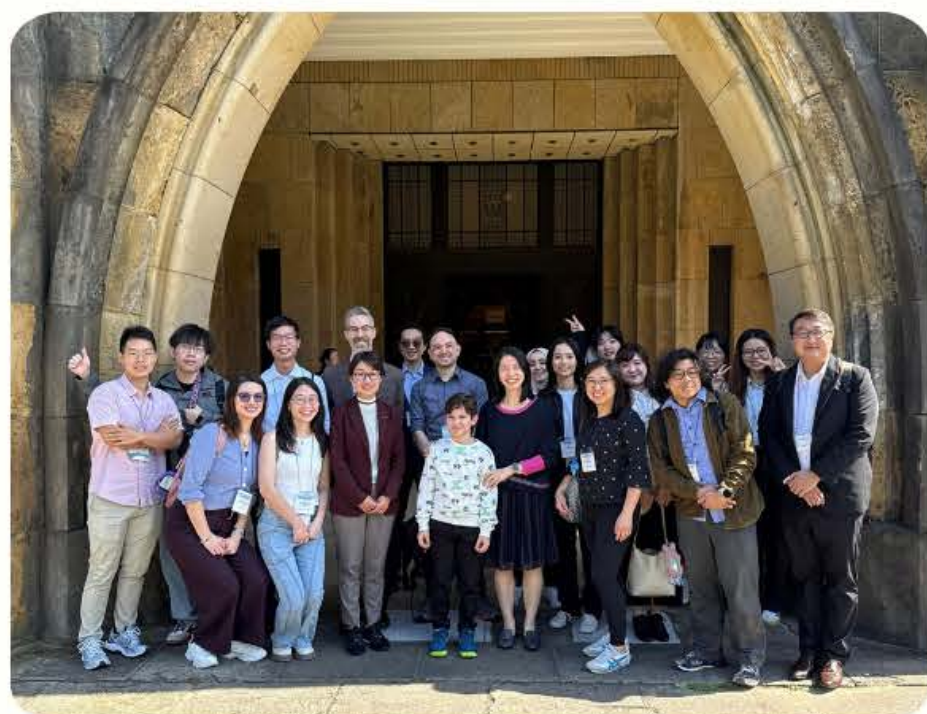


UNVEILING THE LATEST UPDATES AND INSIGHTS

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Special Highlight

Many CSMPR members participated in conferences, poster presentations, and social functions at the **2024 Asian Conference on Pharmacoepidemiology (ACPE)** in Tokyo on **October 12-14**. Worth mentioning, Suhas Krishnamoorthy received the Spotlight Poster Presentation Award. Let's celebrate the beautiful moments shared and commend all the presenters for their valuable interactions and contributions!



Recently Published Papers

Wanchun Xu, Eric Yuk Fai Wan
Diabetes, Obesity and Metabolism

Correspondence: Optimizing physician-encounter frequency for type 2 diabetes patients in primary care based on cardiovascular risk assessment: A target trial emulation study

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Yang Wang, Kailin Chen, Celine Chui
Journal of Alzheimers Disease

Correspondence: Trends of the prevalence of polypharmacy and potentially inappropriate medications in people with dementia from 2006 to 2021 in Hong Kong (in press)

Wenlong Liu, Yuqi Hu, Francisco Tsz Tsun Lai
Journal of Primary Care & Community Health

Correspondence: Longer Multimorbidity Intervals Are Associated With Lower Mortality in Diabetes: A Whole-Population Nested Case-Control Study

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Optimizing physician-encounter frequency for type 2 diabetes patients in primary care based on cardiovascular risk assessment: A target trial emulation study

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Improve patients' health and quality of life through interdisciplinary collaborative research on medication safety.



Congratulations

Min Fan completed his **PhD Examination**, under the supervision of Prof. Celine Chui, and Vincent Yan completed his **PhD Examination**, under the supervision of Prof. Esther Chan. **Congratulations to Dr. Min Fan and Dr. Vincent Yan! We wish you both the very best in your future endeavors!**



Other Matters

About SCAN-2030



SCAN-2030 is the 1st University Grants Committee (RGC) Research Impact Fund (RIF) supported HTA program. Its mission is to root the **Health Technology Assessment (HTA) ecosystem** in Hong Kong and contributing to global HTA development. SCAN-2030 aim to empower the territory-wide Electronic Medical Records (EMR) using AI and Decision Analytical Modelling for the evaluation of long-term disease burden and the value-for-money of innovative medicines.



Enables
system decision



Ensure
affordable access



Maximize
patient benefit

Meeting New Members

A very warm welcome from the whole CSMPR team to our new members!



KELVIN LAM

“Hi everyone, this is Kelvin. I am excited to join Professor Esther Chan's team as a Research Assistant Professor. I hold a PhD in Sociology. My research focuses on the experience and integration of refugees, migrants and other minority groups. Outside of academia, I am dedicated to animal welfare. Happy to be part of the team.”

“Hi everyone, I'm Donna, the new post-doctoral fellow in Professor Esther Chan's team. I'm truly grateful and excited to be part of such a supportive and collaborative group.

In my previous research, I've worked on a range of projects, including digital health interventions for disease management and smoking prevention interventions, with a particular focus on tobacco industry denormalisation. Additionally, I've had the opportunity to work with real-world electronic health records, using big data to predict disease risks.

Now, I'm thrilled to explore new research areas and look forward to the opportunities and challenges ahead.

Personally, I am a human being with a well-differentiated self. Feel free to chat with me!”



DONNA CHEN



EVELYN SUN

“Hello, everyone! I am Evelyn, a new research assistant in Prof. Esther Chan's team. My research interests center around pharmacoepidemiology studies in various areas with causal inference methodologies. Outside of work, I enjoy playing badminton, swimming, and learning new languages. I'm excited to be part of the team and looking forward to our collaborative journey!”

“Hello everyone! My name is Yifan LI Eveline, and I am thrilled to join Prof. Shirley Xue Li's team as an incoming MPhil student. My research interest focuses on leveraging real-world big data with machine learning and deep learning models, particularly in the field of depression and antidepressant medications. I look forward to meeting with everyone at CSMPR and contributing to our collective research efforts!”



EVELINE LI



RYAN MAK

“Hello! I'm Ryan Mak, and I'm excited to join the team as a research assistant, working on the Hong Kong Jockey Club Community Pharmacy research project. I hold a Bachelor of Biomedical Sciences from the University of Hong Kong and a Master of Public Health from Imperial College London. My research focus is on community health. In my spare time, I enjoy playing tennis and football. I aim to enhance my expertise in community health, contributing to impactful research.”

“Hey there! I am excited to join Dr Edmund Yiu's team as research assistant. As a psychology graduate, I am interested in how we can enhance people's experiences at school, at work, and at home through well-supported mental health. I also love drawing, painting and live music. Looking forward to meeting and learning from you all!”



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About CSMPR

Centre for Safe Medication Practice and Research (CSMPR) was established in 2012 to foster research and development in medication safety in collaboration with local and international partners.

The mission of the CSMPR is to improve the health and quality of life of patients through interdisciplinary collaborative research that addresses questions central to medication safety. We focus on delivering innovative results that optimise the safe and effective use of medications. Combining expertise from the University of Hong Kong (HKU) and collaborative partners around the globe, the CSMPR provides a world-renowned platform for the training of health care professionals, patients and the general public on the safe and effective use of medications.

Our aim is to deliver high quality research with results relevant and applicable to health in real world settings, thus optimising and promoting the safe and effective use of medicine in Asia and beyond.

