

## CURRICULUM VITAE

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### **A. ACADEMIC QUALIFICATIONS**

B.Sc. Tech (Hons) (UK), Ph.D. (UK)

### **B. APPOINTMENTS HELD**

July 1, 2016 - present	Associate Professor, Department of Medicine, the University of Hong Kong
June 1, 2008 - June 30, 2016	Assistant Professor, Department of Medicine, the University of Hong Kong
June, 2001 - May, 2008	Research Assistant Professor, (Honorary Assistant Professor), Department of Medicine, the University of Hong Kong

### **C. RESEARCH FOCUS**

- Mechanisms leading to inflammation and fibrosis in chronic kidney disease and peritoneal dialysis
- Immuno-pathogenesis of lupus nephritis

### **D. PUBLICATIONS**

1. Yap DYH, Tam CH, Yung S, Wong S, Tang CSO, Mok TMY, Yuen CKY, Ma MKM, Lau CS, Chan TM. Pharmacokinetics and pharmacogenomics of mycophenolic acid and its clinical correlations in maintenance immunosuppression for lupus nephritis. *Nephrol Dial Transplant*, in press.
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#### **E. External Competitive Grants Awarded as Principal Investigator since 2012**

- Health and Medical Research Fund 2017/2018 (HK\$1,499,864)
- Research Grants Council (RGC) Earmarked Research Grant 2015/2016 (HK\$711,720)
- RGC Earmarked Research Grant 2014/2015 (HK\$874,592)
- RGC Earmarked Research Grant 2012/2013 (HK\$950,000)