

Multi-centre collaborative to reduce cardiovascular disease

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Original Proposal

- APRUWI universities would sponsor research into how to implement effective care for patients leaving hospital after a heart attack or similar problem
- Four universities – Nanjing, Peking, CUHK and Sydney – expressed interest.

Collaborating partners

The following partners, through the involvement of one or more of their teaching hospitals, have indicated a willingness to participate:



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Prof EK Yeoh
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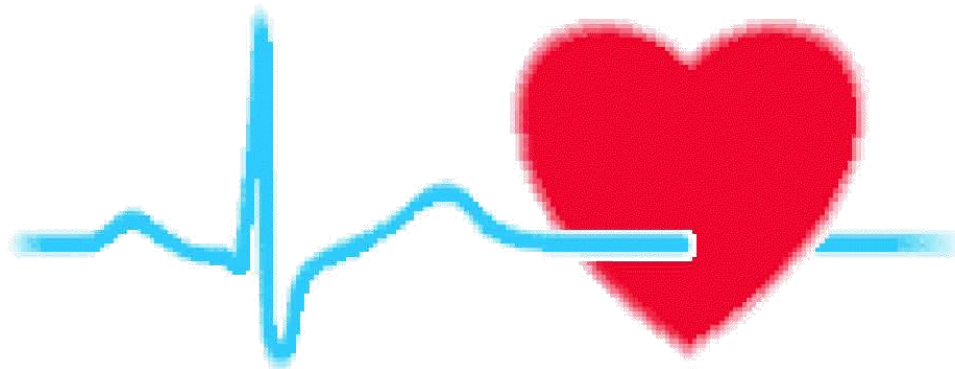
Prof Yonghua Hu
Prof Peiyu Wang
Peking University



Prof Qian Gao
University of
Nanjing

What are we aiming to achieve?

To reduce preventable cardiovascular disease (CVD) mortality and/or morbidity by applying existing knowledge to improve care for patients in hospital and after discharge.



Collaborative

- Decide on common research questions
 - Use locally appropriate methods and data to address those questions
 - Build on and apply existing research knowledge
 - Share insights and knowledge as study unfolds.
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CUHK Collaborative Team



CUHK

- Commitment to linkage between public health, primary and hospital care
- Good data sets available for in-hospital and primary care setting
- Staff with commitment to quality and research in all sectors
- Necessity for research given growing pressure of chronic disease.

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