LKCMedicine
Dean’s Awards & Appreciation Day
2022
A warm welcome to the 2022 LKCMedicine Dean’s Awards and Appreciation Day!

How quickly the last year has gone by, and it gives me pleasure to host this ceremony for the second time.

Although we have started to treat COVID-19 as endemic, and returned to on-site activities, we should not forget the lessons learnt, nor that we have built up a reserve of resilience as a School that we can call upon in times when we need to pull together as a team. While we may not be out of the woods yet, with a possibility of stronger variants coming our way, according to some scientific quarters, yet we must forge ahead to bring our plans we have for the School to fruition, to aim ever higher, because as a young medical school, we still have much to prove.

I am heartened to see that our faculty, researchers, staff and students are all dedicated to producing excellence in their everyday work. I have gotten to know many of you even better in my second year as Dean through the many conferences, lab launches, seminars, workshops, and even the relaxed Coffee Chat held at School, and acknowledge that all of you deserve to pat yourselves on the back for constantly performing at your best.

Today, we celebrate a group of faculty and staff who have made an especially strong contribution towards the School over the past year while upholding the LKCMedicine values of Compassion, Integrity, Humility, Continuous Learning and Professionalism.

Established in 2020, the Dean’s Awards recognise those who have exerted a positive influence on the LKCMedicine community while upholding the collaborative spirit that the School is known for. Every recipient in the various categories have made a distinct impact personally while supporting others, which is laudable indeed.

As the saying goes: If you want to go far, go together. I believe the road to success is one paved with many partnerships, collaborations and just people giving a helping hand to others. We’ve certainly done that a lot this past year. Everyone deserves congratulations for wrapping up another hard-fought year. Enjoy the occasion, you all deserve it!

Professor Joseph Sung
Distinguished University Professor
Dean, Lee Kong Chian School of Medicine
Senior Vice-President (Health & Life Sciences)
NTU Singapore
To honour and recognise LKCMedicine faculty and staff for their outstanding and significant contributions towards excellence in the School, LKCMedicine has established 10 Dean’s Awards in the following categories:

**Dean’s Awards for Research**
This award recognises an individual for his/her excellent research performance and contribution to LKCMedicine in terms of publications, awarded grants, intellectual property and impact of discoveries.

**Dean’s Awards for Education**
This award category is in recognition of an individual for his/her excellent education performance which has impacted educational systems or the student experience at LKCMedicine.

**Dean’s Awards for Service**
This award is in recognition of excellence in service leadership and dedication, where the faculty has displayed a continuous commitment towards service and LKCMedicine’s mission, bringing innovative ideas and showing commitment through setting goals and actively working towards them.

**Dean’s Awards for Administration, Values in Action Award**
This award goes to an individual who has demonstrated excellence in living and modelling the values of LKCMedicine: Humility, Integrity, Compassion, Professionalism and Continuous Learning. It recognises his/her work and actions which have consistently upheld at least two of these values, resulting in the exceptional experience of colleagues, stakeholders or partners.

**Dean’s Awards for Administration, Enabler Award**
In this category of award, the individual has demonstrated his/her value as a partner, collaborator or facilitator towards the successful conclusion of a project, issue or challenge at LKCMedicine. The award winner consistently goes above and beyond to enable colleagues, stakeholders or partners to optimise available resources and achieve excellence.

**Dean’s Awards for Administration, Innovation Award**
This award is for an individual or a team that has demonstrated the effective and efficient use of an innovative idea or ideas, or technology with tangible impact on efficiency and excellence at LKCMedicine.
I’m deeply humbled and greatly honoured to receive this award. I think this is a recognition of clinician-scientists practicing in a public health institution that we can contribute meaningfully to research. I would like to thank my colleagues at the Diabetes Centre of the Admiralty Medical Centre and at the KTPH Clinical Research Unit, senior leadership of NHG, KTPH, as well as LKCMedicine for their support and guidance.

Associate Professor Lim Su Chi
Associate Professor, Clinical Practice
Co-Director, Nutrition, Metabolism & Health research programme
Clinical Director, Clinical Research Unit, Khoo Teck Puat Hospital

I’m deeply humbled and greatly honoured to receive this award. I think this is a recognition of clinician-scientists practicing in a public health institution that we can contribute meaningfully to research. I am hoping to build on this recognition to further strengthen our research capability for future translation of our work. I’m truly thankful for all the achievements of the past and current members of my lab. Without their dedication to science, I wouldn’t be here today.

Associate Professor Yasunori Saheki
Assistant Dean, Faculty Affairs
Associate Professor of Cell Biology and Neuroscience
Scientist Module Lead, Ageing
National Research Foundation Fellow
I am honoured and humbled by the award. I would like to thank the Dean, Professor Joseph Sung, and LKCMedicine for this award. Being in the company of highly competent and inspiring colleagues, I was surprised to have received this award. Nonetheless, I’m thrilled I received this award not just for myself, but on behalf of the hundreds of people involved in making team-based learning a success here at LKCMedicine.

Ms Yang Lishan
Lead for Team-Based Learning Facilitation

It’s a great honour. As an educator and professor, there’s no greater pleasure than being recognised and appreciated for your efforts with the students. And for that, I’m truly privileged. I feel very lucky to have a job that allows me to work with some of the brightest young minds and make a small contribution to their growth as future doctors and scientists.

Assistant Professor Franklin Zhong Lei
Nanyang Assistant Professor [NRF]

I am honoured and humbled by the award. I would like to thank the School for nominating me. I would like to thank my teachers and mentors who have guided me over the years. Now I feel the responsibility to pass the knowledge on to those who come after me. I thank the support staff, the admin staff and the facilitators who make the teaching job so much easier and more pleasant.

Associate Professor Kwek Tong Kiat
Assistant Dean, Admissions and Overseas Electives
Clinical Module Lead [Cardiorespiratory System]
I’m very delighted to be given this service award. This acknowledgement is an encouragement for me and for my team to continue serving the community. We hope that we can do better and be able to collaborate more with the various offices to make LKCMedicine a better and more conducive working environment for everyone. I would like to thank my colleagues in the Graduate and GRPO offices. They have played a very big role in terms of the service that I have worked on for LKCMedicine. And, of course, my wonderful colleagues and friends over at the Centre for Biomedical Informatics.

Assistant Professor Wilson Goh
Assistant Professor of Biomedical Informatics
Director, PhD Programmes

I am deeply honoured and humbled to receive the Dean’s Administration (Values in Action) award. I especially want to thank my boss, Andrew, for nominating me. Thank you for the trust you have given me over the past ten years at LKCMedicine. I would also like to thank the panel for the recognition. And of course, I want to thank my team, the research operations and events team. They have worked extremely hard this year, and I’m here to accept the award on their behalf.

Mr Ken Wong Kang Ning
Assistant Director, Research Operations
**Dean’s Awards**

*for Administration, Enabler Award*

“I’m very honoured to receive this Dean’s Administration (Enabler) award. I really think that it is the fruit of teamwork. Thank you very much to all the colleagues who have worked with me for the last year. I’d also like to thank the Dean and COO for allowing me to contribute to the school. Thank you to the selection committee for recognising my efforts. And last but not least, I’d like to thank my wife for her support all along. Thank you.”

Mr Max Cheung
Manager, Research & External Affairs

**Dean’s Awards**

*for Administration, Innovation Award (Team)*

“We are very honoured that our school recognised our support and contribution, and thankful to the LKCMedicine Core Leadership for providing unwavering support for this initiative when it was first launched. We would like to give special thanks to our staff and colleagues who have helped in one way or another with all of our events. This award will serve to encourage the LKCMedicine Cares Team to continue to go above and beyond our respective daily job scope to create a meaningful impact on the staff’s wellbeing in the coming years.”

LKCMedicine Cares
Ms Vivien Wong (Co-Chair)
Ms Charmaine Ling (Co-Chair)
Professor Wang Yulan
Dr Tanya Tierney
Mr Emmanuel Tan
Dr Fang Yang
Ms Ramya Chandrasekaran
Associate Professor Tan Nguan Soon  
Vice-Dean, Faculty Affairs

Ms Geraldine Lim  
Deputy Director, Procurement

Dr Ng Sean Pin  
Deputy Director, Metabolic Disorders
Mr Ong Chuen Khon
Senior Assistant Manager, Examinations & Assessments

Dr Parasuraman Padmanabhan
Deputy Director, Head of Operation, Centre for Neuroimaging Research at NTU (CeNReN)

Mrs Ramani Saravanan
Senior Assistant Director & Lead for Clinical Procedures

Ms Ruth Choe Cheng Kim
Director, Education Management

Dr Sini Mathew
Assistant Director, Health & Safety

Dr Tanya Tierney
Assistant Dean, Clinical Communication
Thank you for all your hard work and dedication!
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Nanyang Assistant Professor

Asst Prof Christine Cheung  
Nanyang Assistant Professor

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