Modern Optometry Mini-Symposium Series Held at CSMU

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The School of Optometry at Chung Shan Medical University is pleased to announce the successful hosting of Modern Optometry Mini-Symposium Series which were inaugurated on August 8, 2007 and had completed its second session on January 24, 2008. The symposium series aim to gather scholars and clinicians who are interested in optometry education, clinical services, and researches that are related to optometry and visual science for information exchange and career development. Each of the first two sessions contained 4 speakers with topics of various interests. The first session had successfully attracted 45 participants and the audience was expanded to 93 in the second session.

The first session had Dr. Ju-Der Song (宋久德醫師, 旅美視光學博士) delivering "The RGP material development of the next five years", Dr. Shin-Zae Maw (毛欣杰醫師, 溫州醫學院) delivering "Point spread function (PSF) analysis system", Dr. Shie-Don Yu (于旭東醫師, 溫州醫學院) delivering "The magnifying power of hand-held magnifying glass", and Dr. David PC Lin (林培正博士, 中山醫學大學視光系) delivering "Corneal stem cell: current status and future prospects".

The second session focused on primary care for school children afflicted with low vision and vision aid devices. The second session had Dr. Jin-Ying Jeng (鄭靜瑩博士,中山醫學大學視光系) delivering "Primary care for low vision students", Dr. Chin-Ren Lin (林慶仁博士,台南大學特殊教育系) delivering "The practicability of car driving and motorcycling for individuals with low vision", Mr. Min-Fan Jeng (鄭明芳老師, 國立台中啓明學校) delivering "Introduction to magnification software and its researches", and Dr. Shyan-Tan Chen (陳賢堂博士,中山醫學大學視光系) delivering "The characteristics of hand-held magnifying glass and its practice training".

Beginning in 2000, the School of Optometry at Chung Shan Medical University has been the only offer of university-level optometric education in Taiwan. The mandate of the School of Optometry is to train professional practitioners of optometry in line with the North American standard of optometric education. The training begins with basic sciences in first year, followed by upper-year professional courses in the areas of optics, refraction, contact lenses, dispensing, binocular vision, low vision,

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and clinical skills. The program culminates with fourth year clinical internships to ophthalmology departments in hospitals as well as in retail optical stores. Upon graduation, students will be able to equip themselves with state-of-art knowledge, skills, and independent judgment to become professional optometrists.

The School of Optometry at Chung Shan Medical University invites more participants to join our next session of the Modern Optometry Mini-Symposium Series. The next session, to be held amid July-August 2008, will concentrate on contact lenses prescription and dispensing as well as refractory surgery. Besides, the School will hold an International Forum on Optometry Education on April 29th and 30th, 2008. Educators in optometry from Canada, Hong Kong, Australia, China, and the United States will join the forum to discuss on standardization of optometry education with a global view. Updated news and registration forms will be posted on school website at http://optometry.csmu.edu.tw/front/bin/home.phtml. For more information, please contact Ms. Wennie Lin (林琬玲小姐) by phone: 886-4-24730022 ext. 17225 or via e-mail: cs4405@csmu.edu.tw.

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