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We are CMEL! Welcome to the fifth issue of the CMEL Newsletter! This publication aims to update you on the latest news and information in the biomedical world. We will also share information about upcoming events, so stay tuned! Find out more about [CMEL](#). We also have a Facebook page, you can follow us [here](#).

Top stories in this newsletter

Upcoming Conference: Compulsory Mental Health Treatment in Hong Kong: Which Way Forward? (TWO WEEKS LEFT!)

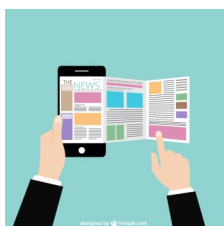


Compulsory Mental Health Treatment
in Hong Kong: Which Way Forward?
A two-day conference on the escalating issue of mental
health policy and human rights
25-26 AUG 2017
Large Moot Court, 2/E Faculty of Law, Cheng Yu Tung Tower,
Centennial Campus, The University of Hong Kong

Only two weeks until our Centre's upcoming conference on compulsory mental health treatment! The full programme as well as the abstracts for all presentations can be found on our Centre's website. Press [here](#) to find out more.

「香港強制精神科治療：何去何從？」研討會將在兩星期後舉行。活動詳情、節目列表以及所有演講摘要都可於本中心的網站上找到，有關詳情請[按此](#)。

In the News: Scientists Edit Dangerous Mutation in Human Embryos



Biologists in America, China and South Korea have successfully applied genetic engineering in human embryos for the first time, eliminating a disease-causing mutation within DNA cells. Read more about the issue and related controversies [here](#).

美國、中國和南韓的醫學專家首次成功將基因編輯科技應用於人類胚胎。該技術能夠去除有缺陷的基因，避免孩子得到遺傳病。詳情請[按此](#)。

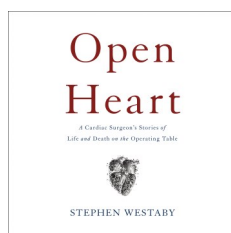
Commentary: Mental Health Law Reform



In light of the upcoming reform of mental health legislation, announced in the Queen's speech, commentators argue for a comprehensive reform taking into account issues such as treatment for mental health patients and investigations into the deaths of such patients. Read two letters about the issue [here](#).

英女王於今年的講話中提及精神健康條例的改革。有評論員希望政府能推行較全面的改革，並考慮到精神病患者的各種治療以及精神病患者的死因研究等極具迫切性的議題。詳情請[按此](#)。

In Entertainment: Open Heart



The book "Open Heart: A Cardiac Surgeon's Stories of Life and Death on the Operating Table" by Stephen Westaby is a collection of stories concerning cardiac surgeries conducted by the author. The book explores themes such as patient autonomy, end-of-life decisions and healthcare systems. In particular, it gives us deeper insight into the struggles surgeons face before every operation. Read more [here](#).

【Open Heart】這本書敘述了心臟科醫生 Stephen Westaby 處理多個手術的過程和感受，並展露出他在手術桌前面對的各種心理掙扎。當中提及的議題有病者自主權、病人臨終的醫療決定權、醫療系統等。有關這書的簡介請[按此](#)。