JULY ISSUE 2020
We are CMEL! Welcome to the forty-first 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 Twitter account and a Facebook page.

Top story in this newsletter

Prize: "Genetic discrimination in Asia: A review of public policies, practices and incidents" received the 2020 Early Career Researcher Prize
A paper co-authored by Associate Professor Calvin Ho and colleagues on "Genetic discrimination in Asia: A review of public policies, practices and incidents" received the 2020 Early Career Researcher Prize, sponsored by the Wellcome Trust, at the World Congress of Bioethics. The paper is currently under review for publication. The World Congress of Bioethics is the largest international English-language bioethics conference and has just been hosted by the University of Pennsylvania, in Philadelphia, USA. Associate Professor Calvin Ho is CMEL's faculty member.

Consultation: Hong Kong government released consultation report on advance directives and dying in place
The Hong Kong Government has issued a consultation report on end-of-life care legislative proposals regarding (1) advance directives and (2) dying in place. Read more here.

Recent Case: Hong Kong doctors found guilty of misconduct after signing off on procedures for restraining elderly without proper assessment records made
The Medical Council of Hong Kong found six doctors guilty of misconduct. Their signatures and name chops were found on incomplete forms for restraining elderly residents of care homes. Key information was missing on those incomplete forms, such as assessment of the patient and, in some cases, the patient's name and date. Read more here.

In the News: CMEL’s member shared his views on mass surveillance and COVID-19 contact tracing apps
Associate Professor Calvin Ho shared his views on the privacy issues arising from and the ethical principles that should apply to the use of COVID-19 mobile apps by authorities for contact tracing, which is a form of mass surveillance. Click here for an article of University World News to learn more.

2019冠狀病毒病大流行，多國以流動電話應用程式追蹤接觸者，這種追蹤構成一種「大規模監控」，引起私隱爭議並牽涉倫理原則，何維倫副教授分享了他對相關的私隱爭議及倫理原則的見解，按此閱讀《大學世界新聞》的報導。