Please be informed that CMEL’s newsletter will be published once every two months from November 2021 onwards. Under this new arrangement, the November-December newsletter will be published at the end of November. In the meantime, we would like to notify you of the following upcoming events.

Next week, a virtual conference co-sponsored by CMEL on intellectual property and pandemics will be held on 5 and 6 November 2021 (Friday & Saturday).

This is followed by a webinar on gross negligence manslaughter on 13 November 2021 (Saturday), this being a topic that continues to draw interest following the sentencing of a medical doctor to 6 years imprisonment for gross negligence manslaughter in Hong Kong in October 2021.

Finally, there will be a webinar on reproductive genetic screening on 23 November 2021 (Tuesday).

Please do check our website for further updates and event details. We would like to express our appreciation to you, dear readers, for your continuous support.
CMEL’s Co-Director Dr Calvin W. L. Ho and Research Fellow Dr Eric C. Ip will be taking part in a virtual conference entitled "Intellectual Property, Covid-19, and the Next Pandemic: Diagnosing Problems, Developing Cures" as a speaker and a moderator respectively.

The title of Dr Ho’s presentation is "Governing the ACT-Accelerator: Current Challenges to Access and Innovation, and Opportunities for Change".

The conference is scheduled to be held on 5 and 6 November 2021 (Friday & Saturday), from 8 am to 12:30 pm (US Eastern Standard Time).

The conference is co-organised by the Law and Technology Centre of the University of Hong Kong and the Georgetown University Law Center.

For details and registration, please click [here](#).

Our Dr Calvin W. L. Ho will be one of the speakers and one of the panellists at a virtual event entitled "Gross Negligence Manslaughter (GNM) Seminar and Panel Discussion: Reflections from Different Jurisdictions Adopting Common Law".

A pre-recorded seminar consisting of a number of presentations, one of which was given by Dr Ho, will be available from 5 to 10 November 2021 for viewing by the registrants.

Dr Ho’s presentation is on the criminal liability for medical negligence resulting in death in Singapore. Other speakers will be speaking on the law in Hong Kong, the United Kingdom, Australia and the United States.

The registrants will be invited to submit questions after viewing the pre-recorded seminar.

The interactive panel webinar, during which those questions will be discussed, will take place on 13 November 2021 (Saturday), from 8 am to 9 am (Hong Kong Time).
The event is organised by the Centre for Health Education and Health Promotion of the Chinese University of Hong Kong and is accredited for Continuing Medical Education (CME) purposes.

Please click [here](#) for details.

To register, please click [here](#).

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**WEBINAR ON REPRODUCTIVE GENETIC SCREENING**

Our [Dr Calvin W. L. Ho](#) will be one of the speakers at a virtual seminar entitled "Seminar on Genomics — Ethical and Governance Considerations for Reproductive Genetic Screening".

Dr Ho will be speaking on the **responsible implementation of expanded prenatal genetic testing in Hong Kong and Singapore**.

The seminar will be held on 23 November 2021 (Tuesday), from 10 am to 11:45 am (Hong Kong Time).

It is organised by the CUHK Centre for Bioethics of the Chinese University of Hong Kong.

The registration link and details of the seminar will be available on [this website](#) soon (please click "Events").
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The Centre for Medical Ethics and Law (CMEL) develops new ideas and solutions in response to the big ethical, legal and policy questions of medicine and health.

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