## **Health Science Conference at DTU**

A Health Science conference was jointly held by DTU and the Hue Central Hospital on October 25th. The event commemorated the 125th anniversary of the Hue Central Hospital, DTU's 25th and the 10th year of the DTU Health Science program. The objective was to exchange the latest research results and improve patient care and treatment.

Attendees included Dr. Vu Thanh Binh, Deputy Director-General of the Science, Technology and Environment department at the Ministry of Education and Training; Dr. Nguyen Minh Loi, Deputy Director-General of Science, Technology and Training at the Ministry of Health; Mr. Nguyen Duc Muc, Chairman of the Vietnamese Nurses Association; Dr. Nguyen Ut, Deputy Director of the Danang Department of Health; Mr. Huynh Phuoc, Vice-Chairman of Danang Union of Science & Technology Associations; Dr. Nguyen Thanh Xuan, Deputy Director of Hue Central Hospital; and representatives from the Vietnam National Heart Association, the Vietnam Association of Diabetes and Endocrinology, local hospitals and universities.

DTU has hosted many conferences in various fields, from Natural Sciences, in Cybersecurity, Mathematics and the Spectrum, to Social Sciences, like the Worldwide Meeting of Young Academics, the International Conference for Sustainable Tourism Development and the SEAMEO Polytechnic Network to broaden opportunities for cultural exchanges and international study and work assignments.

In 2018-2019 academic year, DTU held three Health Science conferences, the International Conference on Cancer Prevention and Control, the International Conference on Nanomaterials for Healthcare and a seminar on Nutrition's Role in Disease Prevention.



Researchers address the plenary session

"Contaminated food and environmental pollution are having an ever more negative impact on people's health today, but we all now understand how important good health is," said Hero of Labour and Distinguished Teacher Le Cong Co. "Without good health, we can do nothing, no matter how many dreams and plans we might have. Conscious of this, DTU focused ten years ago on establishing a strong Health Sciences department at the university. In addition to the hiring expert academics, PhDs and physicians, DTU also invested in modern facilities and equipment to educate skilled medical staff to treat and cure patients and improve public health."



A representative of the Nam Duoc company awards scholarships to 5 DTU students

Dr. Nguyen Thanh Xuan gave a practical introduction on "Advances in colorectal endoscopy surgery", Associate Professor Nguyen Ngoc Minh, DTU Vice-Provost, talked about "Tracking stem cells based on Nano Corpuscles in regenerative medicine" and "CAR T cells - Immune cells for patients" and Professor Nguyen Hai Thuy of the Vietnam Association of Diabetes and Endocrinology covered "Diagnosis and treatment of hypertension in diabetics, with an ADA 2019 update".

Sixty papers were submitted and forty of those were presented. The conference particularly attracted researchers from universities in South Korea. Professor Don Keun Oh, from Seoul National University, presented a paper entitled "New Triterpenoid of the Dammar An group, extracted from Gynostemia Longipes VK1 that increases the activation of the protein kinase, by AMP (AMPK)" and Professor Chang-Nam Son, from the Keimyung University Dongsan Hospital, discussed "What is Rheumatology? The impact of Rheumatic diseases", along with many other presentions.



Attendees

Dr. Nguyen Minh Loi stated "Recently, the development of Vietnamese healthcare has witnessed several great achievements, due to the major efforts that universities have been making to graduate highly-trained staff and the focus at medical institutions on higher-quality treatment. Hue Central Hospital is highly rated because of its use of advanced technology and skilled doctors. Meanwhile, DTU has been educating healthcare students for the past ten years and we both highly appreciate partnership. We hope that DTU will continue to invest even more in its facilities and education in the future, in order to supply us with graduates who are best-equipped to fully meet our stringent healthcare requirements and those of the community."

"DTU is a private university with a diverse selection of majors and disciplines and has made great progress in Health Sciences," said Dr. Nguyen Thanh Xuan. "Over a year ago, DTU chose Hue Central Hospital as its main internship partner. After two groups of students interned at our hospital, we greatly respected their dedication, diligence and how well DTU had educated them. The partnership is proving to be a success, with spirted interns who love their jobs and the community. Today's conference will enable us to expand our cooperation and continuously improve our treatment, caring and curing capacity."

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