



2012-13 Annual Report

(1) CCD Membership

CCD membership now has over 150 members, with the majority being full members. Twenty-seven of our members are based outside of Hong Kong, in 10 countries (Asia, Europe, North America and the Pacific), and this is indicative of the Centre's international reach. The CCD is also pleased to have a significant proportion of members who are research postgraduate students at the University of Hong Kong.

(2) CCD Management Committee

Honorary Director: Professor Bradley McPherson, Division of Speech and Hearing Sciences, Faculty of Education. Prof McPherson has served as Honorary Director from the Centre's inauguration and was reappointed as Centre Director for the period from June 2011 to 31 May 2013.

Management Committee: Prof Bradley McPherson [elected – until 31 May 2013]; Dr Karen Chan [elected – until 31 May 2013]; Dr Estella Ma [elected – until 31 May 2013]; Dr Carol To [elected – until 31 May 2013]; Dr Linda Iao [co-opted – until 31 May 2013]; Dr Gao Wu Wang [co-opted – until 31 May 2013].

The Management Committee would like to thank the staff of the Division of Speech and Hearing Sciences, Faculty of Education, for their work in support of the centre throughout the year.

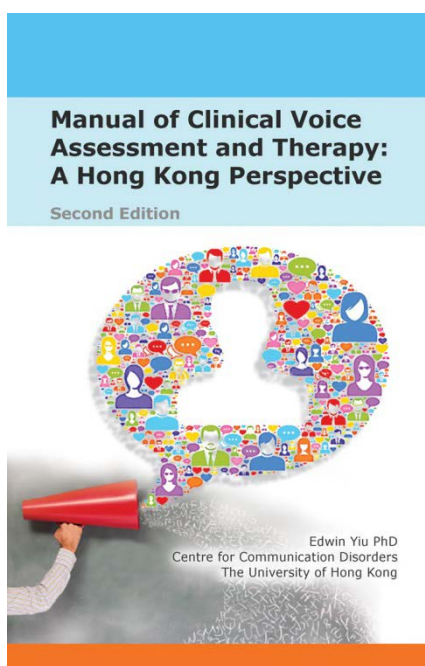
(3) CCD Seminar Series 2012-13

Date	Title	Speaker	Affiliation
30/10/12	<i>Chronic cough laryngospasm and paradoxical vocal fold motion: Neural evidence of a laryngeal motion disorder</i>	Prof Thomas Murry	Weill Cornell Medical College
4/12/12	<i>Early acute dysphagia management following non-surgical head and neck cancer management: Implications for practice</i>	Prof Elizabeth Ward	University of Queensland
5/12/12	<i>Use of human mannequin simulation to achieve tracheostomy skills training</i>	Prof Elizabeth Ward	University of Queensland
28/1/13	<i>Lexical access for recognition and production in children with cochlear implants</i>	Prof Richard Schwartz	City University of New York
26/2/13	<i>Development of lexical tone dichotic listening tests in Cantonese and Mandarin— a step towards identifying individuals with auditory processing disorders</i>	Dr Kevin Yuen	Hong Kong Institute of Education
8/3/13	<i>Workshop on the Hong Kong Cantonese Oral Language Assessment Scale (HKCOLAS) & the Hong Kong Cantonese Articulation Test (HKCAT)</i>	HKCOLAS Training Team	Hong Kong Institute of Education; University of Hong Kong; HK Department of Health, Child Assessment Services
26/3/13	<i>Is English learning in early childhood detrimental to Hong Kong children's native language and cognitive development?</i>	Dr Richard Wong	Hong Kong Institute of Education
20/3/13	<i>Using neural data to understand written word</i>	Prof Brenda	Johns Hopkins

	<i>processing and representation</i>	Rapp	University
10/5/13	<i>Summerfest 2013 – The Multilingual Academy</i>	Prof Ron Baken, New York Medical College Prof Loraine Obler, City University of New York	In collaboration with the Division of Speech & Hearing Sciences, Faculty of Education, HKU
4/6/13	The listening effort that older adults deploy when processing speech in noise	Prof Jean-Pierre Gagné	École d'orthophonie et d'audiologie de l'Université de Montréal

The CCD hosted a stimulating series of seminars presented by a diverse range of local and international experts in the field of communication disorders during 2012-2013. We were especially pleased to once again host the all-day workshop run by the HKCOLAS team, which was a significant contribution to the professional development of the over 40 attendees.

Our seminars are now being given formal Continuing Education Programme points by both the Hong Kong Society of Audiology and the Hong Kong Association of Speech Therapists.



(4) Publications

There continues to be low volume, but steady, sales of our current in-print publications. These are *Communication and Swallowing Impairments after Brain Injury: A Handbook for Survivors and Family Members* (Kong, 2009); *Lessac-Madsen Resonant Voice Therapy: Clinician and Patient Manuals. Chinese editions* (Verdolini Abbott & Chan, 2009); *Hong Kong Graded Character Naming Test for Primary School Children* (Leung, Cheng-Lai & Kwan, 2008); and the *Hong Kong Corpus of Primary School Chinese* (Leung, 2007), as well as our new publication the *Manual of Clinical Voice Assessment and Therapy: A Hong Kong Perspective* by Professor Edwin Yiu (2012). The Centre welcomes publication proposals from academics and professionals working with individuals with communication disorders.

(5) Communications

The CCD website [<http://www.hku.hk/ccdhku/>] has been used to promote our seminars and publications, and to provide general information about the Centre. This continues to lead to numerous enquiries from overseas researchers interested in learning more about our work.

(6) Financial Report

The CCD currently has a surplus of \$34,870.88, from an income of \$296,567.01 and expenditures of \$261,696.13. The Financial Report is attached. This compares with a surplus of \$69,716.46 in 2011-12.

(7) Future Directions

The CCD is consolidating its track record in the publication of material that links communication disorders research to professional practice. Future possible publications are being actively explored. Workshops and seminars will continue to increase awareness of the CCD and focus on research areas, particularly multidisciplinary and translational research areas, of interest to our members and the community. As before, efforts to raise funding for the CCD, through workshops, publications and grants, will continue to be given priority. In addition, the Centre will continue to strive to raise its profile with professional groups in Hong Kong.



Professor Bradley McPherson

Honorary Director

26 June 2013

THE UNIVERSITY OF HONG KONG
Centre for Communication Disorders

Financial Report As At June 22, 2013

	Income/(Expenditure) <u>HK\$</u>
Income	
• Donation (2006-07)	65,841.45
• Income from conferences	176,315.00
• Income from publications	48,213.71
• Interest from income	6,196.85

• Sub-total	296,567.01

Expenditure <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Staff costs <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Part-time appointments: research assistants and guest speakers • Other costs <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - General expenses: postage, photocopying, printing, books, consumables, services, HKU overhead, on-line information, etc. • Sub-total 	 (14,985.40) (246,710.73) <hr style="width: 100%;"/> (261,696.13)
Total • (Deficit) / Surplus	34,870.88