20th Anniversary Research Seminar Series

A New Approach to Accelerating Innovation and Discovery in Early Diagnosis and Treatment of Alzheimer’s Disease

May 14, 2019 (Tuesday)
11:00 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.
Social Sciences Chamber, 11/F, The Jockey Club Tower, Centennial Campus, The University of Hong Kong

The Problem: Finding Effective Treatments for Alzheimer’s Disease

Mr. John Dwyer
President,
Global Alzheimer’s Platform Foundation;
Chairman and Co-Founder,
UsAgainstAlzheimer’s

The Solution: Collaborative Precision Brain Health Research Platform

Professor Rhoda Au
Professor,
Boston University;
Founder of the Aging Well Institute

About the Seminar

Around the world, billions of dollars had been invested to find the right cure for Alzheimer’s disease without success. In the battle with Alzheimer, it is important to detect the onset of the disease early enough so treatment could be applied. Currently, the best way to diagnose is through a spinal tap or a brain scan. The problem is that the former is invasive and the latter is expensive. The good news is Scientists are pushing forward with new diagnostics that range from simple blood tests to voice analysis. Mr. Dwyer and Professor Au will share their knowledge of the most recent technological advancement in detection and treatment of Alzheimer’s disease. They will also explain the reason for the recent breakthrough. Building a global collaborative research platform is one of the key element in achieving the above goal. Speakers will share the challenge and opportunity present by a Global collaborative research platform.

About the Speakers

Mr. John R. Dwyer, Jr. is the President of the Global Alzheimer’s Platform Foundation; Chairman and Co-Founder, UsAgainstAlzheimer’s. He is a frequent speaker on financing and regulatory issues of critical importance to emerging health technology.

Professor Rhoda Au is Professor of Anatomy & Neurobiology, Neurology and Epidemiology, and specializing in neuropsychology at Boston University. Her current work of determining the potential of digital cognitive biomarkers as surrogate indices to more expensive and invasive fluid and imaging biomarkers. She is also interested in how “big data” analytics can better inform our understanding of disease pathways and treatment.

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