



Press Release

**Thirteen HKU academics named amongst the
world's most highly cited researchers**

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Top row, left to right: Professor Kevin ZHOU Zheng (Economics & Business), Professor ZHANG Tong (Environment and Ecology), Professor YIU Siu Ming (Cross-Field) and Dr HUANG Kaibin (Computer Science)

Second row, left to right: Professor James LAM (Engineering), Professor Dennis Y. C. LEUNG (Engineering), Professor Xiang ZHANG (Physics), Professor Joseph S. M. PEIRIS (Cross-Field) and Professor GUAN Yi (Cross-Field)

Third row, left to right: Professor Nagendra P. SHAH (Agricultural Sciences), Professor ZHAO Guochun (Geosciences), Professor SUN Min (Geosciences) and Professor YAO Wang (Physics)

Thirteen academics of the University of Hong Kong (HKU) have been named by Clarivate Analytics in its list of "Highly Cited Researchers 2019" as the most influential in the world. Their works have been highly

cited by fellow academics and are hence making a significant impact in ongoing research in their respective fields of study.

The number of world's top researchers at HKU is the highest among universities in Hong Kong. Highly Cited Researchers are selected for their exceptional research performance, determined by production of multiple highly cited papers that rank in the top 1% by citations for field and year in Web of Science.

A total of 6,216 researchers from nearly 60 nations are named Highly Cited Researchers in 2019. Among them 3,725 are in specific fields and 2,491 for cross-field performance.

Thirteen Highly Cited Researchers of HKU (please click their names for their bios)

Category: Agricultural Sciences

[Professor Nagendra P. SHAH](#)

School of Biological Sciences, Faculty of Science

Category: Cross-Field

[Professor GUAN Yi](#)

School of Public Health, Li Ka Shing Faculty of Medicine

[Professor Joseph S. M. PEIRIS](#)

School of Public Health, Li Ka Shing Faculty of Medicine

[Professor YIU Siu Ming](#)

Department of Computer Science, Faculty of Engineering

Category: Computer Science

[Dr HUANG Kaibin](#)

Electrical and Electronic Engineering, Faculty of Engineering

Category: Environment and Ecology

[Professor ZHANG Tong](#)

Department of Civil Engineering, Faculty of Engineering

Category: Economics & Business

[Professor Kevin ZHOU Zheng](#)

Faculty of Business and Economics (Management and Strategy)

Category: Engineering

[Professor James LAM](#)

Department of Mechanical Engineering, Faculty of Engineering

[Professor Dennis Y. C. LEUNG](#)

Department of Mechanical Engineering, Faculty of Engineering

Category: Geosciences

[Professor SUN Min](#)

Department of Earth Sciences, Faculty of Science

[Professor ZHAO Guochun](#)

Department of Earth Sciences, Faculty of Science

Category: Physics

[Professor YAO Wang](#)

Department of Physics, Faculty of Science

[Professor Xiang ZHANG](#)

President and Vice-Chancellor, the University of Hong Kong

Moreover, [Professor Ester Cerin](#), Honorary Professor of Public Health at the School of Public Health, Li Ka Shing Faculty of Medicine, HKU is also named a highly cited researcher under the Category of Cross-Field. Professor Cerin is currently the Programme Leader - Behaviour, Environment and Cognition at the Mary MacKillop Institute for Health Research (MMIHR) of Australian Catholic University.

For more details please go to:

<https://clarivate.com/news/global-highly-cited-researchers-2019-list-reveals-top-talent-in-the-sciences-and-social-sciences/>.

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