The 2017 Annual Meeting of the Thoracic Surgery Branch of Guangdong Medical Doctor Association and the 5th Summit Forum on Diagnosis and Treatment of Thoracic Surgery ended successfully on 25th March 2017

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The 2017 Annual Meeting of the Thoracic Surgery Branch of Guangdong Medical Doctor Association (GMDA) and the 5th Summit Forum on Diagnosis and Treatment of Thoracic Surgery was held by the Thoracic Surgery Branch of GMDA, co-organized by the Department of Thoracic Surgery of Guangdong General Hospital and the Department of Thoracic Surgery of the Fifth Affiliated Hospital of Zunyi. Attended by 400 thoracic surgeons and 13 internationally reputable scholars and experts, their participation and speeches played a magnificent thoracic surgery academic symphony.

Starlight opening ceremony

During the opening ceremony, encouraging and inspiring speeches were given by Prof. Jie He, academician of Chinese Academy of Sciences (Figure 1); Wu Yan, deputy mayor of Zhuhai Municipal People's Government (Figure 2); Prof. Zhiqiong Wang, permanent honorary president of GMDA (Figure 3); Prof. Tiehua Rong, Chairman of Esophageal Cancer Committee of Chinese Anti-Cancer Association (Figure 4); Prof. Jianguo Li, director of the Fifth Affiliated Hospital of Zunyi (Figure 5); Prof. Gang Chen, Chairman of this summit, Chairman of the Thoracic Surgery Branch of GMDA (Figure 6). They reviewed the history and expected the brilliant future, also warmly welcomed all participants, and delivered expectations on this summit.

Thirteen splendid speeches of the scholars (Figures 7-19)

The summit's theme is "new technology, new progress, mutual learning, and mutual progress". Academic topics cover a variety of thoracic surgery diseases, diagnosis and treatment scheme and surgical technology. Prof. Chen explained that this summit not only carried forward previous advantages but also added new contents, including operative treatment, comprehensive treatment, precision medicine and medical examination. In addition, pathology and other subjects were also covered. Great attention was paid to lung cancer and esophageal cancer as well.

All seats are occupied by the participants who devoted themselves to learning together

The splendid speeches motivated audiences' enthusiasm (*Figure 20*). All guests were inspired to participate in the meeting and join in the discussion (*Figure 21*).

The summary from Chairman Chen: make academic communication from better to best!

At the end of the meeting, Prof. Gang Chen made a brilliant conclusion of the work of the Thoracic Surgery Branch of GMDA in the past year (*Figure 22*), he also shared his feedback and evaluations towards this forum. Prof. Chen



Figure 1 Prof. Jie He.



Figure 2 Mr. Wu Yan.



Figure 3 Prof. Zhiqiong Wang.



Figure 4 Prof. Tiehua Rong.



Figure 5 Prof. Jianguo Li.



Figure 6 Prof. Gang Chen.



Figure 7 Prof. Hitoshi Fujiwara (University Hospital, Kyoto Prefectural University of Medicine) is sharing his experience on the world's first single-port mediastinoscope-assisted transhiatal esophagectomy for thoracic esophageal cancer with the audience.



Figure 8 Prof. Heng Zhao (Department of Thoracic Surgery, Shanghai Chest Hospital Shanghai Jiaotong University) is introducing "Surgical Treatment of Small Cell Lung Cancer".



Figure 9 Prof. Jianjun Wang (Department of Thoracic Surgery, Wuhan Union Hospital) is introducing "Contemplation on the Strategy of Surgical Treatment of Giant Chest Wall Tumour".



Figure 10 Prof. Zhentao Yu (Department of Esophageal Cancer, Tianjin Medical University Cancer Institute & Hospital) is introducing "Adjuvant Therapy for Esophageal Cancer during Perioperative Period".



Figure 11 Prof. Yiliyar Xiaheding (the First Affiliated Hospital, Xinjiang Medical University) is introducing "Advancement in Basic and Clinical Study on Esophageal Disease in the Multiethnic Region of Xinjiang".



Figure 12 Prof. Yanhui Liu (Department of Pathology, Guangdong General Hospital) is introducing "Pathological Issues Worth to Notice in the Surgical Treatment of Lung Cancer".



Figure 13 Prof. Gang Chen (Department of Thoracic Surgery, Guangdong General Hospital) is introducing "Total Thoracoscopic Pneumonectomy".



Figure 14 Prof. Hui Li (Department of Thoracic Surgery, Beijing Chao-Yang Hospital) is introducing "Analysis of the Morbidity and High Risk Factors of the Postoperative VTE in Lung Cancer".



Figure 15 Prof. Yongming Zhang (Department of Thoracic Surgery, Shandong Province Cancer Hospital) is introducing "Type T Gastrostomy on Esophageal Cancer".



Figure 16 Prof. Kaican Cai (Department of Cardiothoracic Surgery, Nanfang Hospital Affiliated to Southern Medical University) is introducing "Advance in the Adjuvant Treatment of Non-small Cell Lung Cancer".



Figure 17 Prof. Keneng Chen (Esophageal Cancer Committee of Chinese Anti-Cancer Association) is introducing "Contemplation on the Issues on Lymph Node Dissection in Esophagus Cancer".



Figure 18 Dr. Ruliang Song (Guangdong Rule of Law Study Center) is introducing "What Legal Rights Should Doctors Safeguard".



Figure 19 Prof. Xuchao Zhang (Guangdong Lung Cancer Study center) is introducing "Application of Gene Detection in the Treatment of Lung Cancer".



Figure 20 Audiences at the corner of the venue.



Figure 21 Participants group photo.



Figure 22 At the end of the meeting, Prof. Gang Chen is making a wonderful summary.

proposed that the work during the previous year mainly focused on primary hospital training, academic conference, and further education program, including the national-level further education project in Gaozhou People's Hospital and Nanfang Hospital Cardiothoracic Forum, all of which have made great achievements. Better stick to it and carry on meanwhile to remedy shortcomings, for instance, be strict with internal construction and discipline within the committee. Uplifting doctors' legal awareness is also a key task. Furthermore, publicity plays an essential role as it attracts more excellent doctors to join the committee and benefits more patients. Prof. Chen concluded this forum as "a complete success", with more than 400 outstanding thoracic surgeons attended that created a prosperous

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thoracic surgery academic event. It's a great opportunity for cultural and educational exchanges as well. The goal of mutual promotion and mutual improvement through this summit has been achieved. A reputable brand has been set.

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