

## US NAM elects HKU Professor as Member

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Professor Gabriel Leung of the University of Hong Kong (HKU) has been elected a member of the US National Academy of Medicine (NAM), an achievement that is considered one of the highest honors in the fields of health and medicine. Leung is dean of medicine, inaugural Helen and Francis Zimmern Professor in population health, and chair professor of public health medicine at HKU.

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