

L'Oréal and NUS Medicine launch joint laboratory for healthy longevity research

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Multi-year partnership will integrate skin, scalp and hair assessments with broader biological ageing measures



Global beauty leader L'Oréal Groupe and the NUS Academy for Healthy Longevity at the Yong Loo Lin School of Medicine, National University of Singapore (NUS Medicine) have announced a multi-year strategic research partnership to advance healthy longevity science, and the opening of a joint laboratory dedicated to understanding what skin, scalp and hair reveal about how the body ages.

Based on the campus of NUS Medicine, the new laboratory is anchored at the Healthy Longevity Clinical Trial Centre under the NUS Academy for Healthy Longevity, where L'Oréal's advanced skin, scalp and hair evaluation capabilities have been integrated into the Centre's comprehensive suite of longevity assessments within the clinical research workflow.

While skin assessment is already a core component of the Academy's trial protocols, the co-location of the new joint laboratory enables skin to be characterised directly from research participants alongside their cardiovascular, metabolic, cognitive and musculoskeletal measures. By capturing these multidimensional metrics within the same individuals and protocols, researchers can directly correlate skin data with systemic health indicators rather than relying on comparisons across separate studies.

Through collaborative longevity studies and clinical trials, the L'Oréal-NUS Medicine partnership also aims to uncover new insights that underscore the role of skin in enhancing quality of life from the skin inwards.

L'Oréal currently invests €1.3 billion annually in research and innovation, supported by 4,000 scientists across 22 research centres worldwide.

Image caption- (Left to right) Dr Angeline Tay (Head of Advanced Research at L'Oréal Research & Innovation in Singapore) and Professor Andrea Maier (Oon Chiew Seng Professor in Medicine, Healthy Ageing and Dementia Research

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