

# Asia Pacific Clinical Nutrition Society

## Award for 2010

### Dr Wen-Harn Pan

BS (National Taiwan University), MS (Cornell University), PhD  
(Cornell University)



**Dr Wen-Harn Pan, PhD** graduated from the Department of Agricultural Chemistry, National Taiwan University in 1976 and obtained both her MS degree in Nutritional Biochemistry (1979) and her PhD degree in nutrition epidemiology (1983) from Cornell University. She undertook NHLBI post-doctoral training in the fields of cardiovascular epidemiology, biostatistics, nutrition and preventive cardiology at the Department of Preventive Medicine, Northwestern University from 1983 to 1986.

She was appointed an Associate Research Fellow in the Institute of Biomedical Sciences, Academia Sinica, Taiwan, in 1987 and Research Fellow in 1994. She is also an Adjunct Professor of the Institute of Epidemiology and the Department of Biochemical Science and Technology, National Taiwan University. Most recently, she has been appointed to lead the National Health Research Institutes' Nutrition Program with extensive inter-institutional and multi-disciplinary linkages.

Dr Pan established a community-based cardiovascular cohort study in Chu-Dong and Putze (abbreviated as CVDFAC TS) in 1989. She has led the Nutrition and Health Survey in Taiwan since 1992 and has completed four national surveys. The national data are archived in the Center of Survey Research in Academia Sinica for promoting secondary data analysis. The survey findings have been included in three special journal issues: one published by Nutritional Sciences and the other two by the Asia Pacific Journal of Clinical Nutrition. She has also established the Han Chinese DNA and Genome Bank which is an open-domain facility for gene-mapping of important diseases in Han Chinese. Dr Pan has more than 150 publications in international journals of nutrition, cardiovascular epidemiology, and genetics.

She was awarded the Outstanding Research Award by the Taiwan Society of Nutrition in 2004 and has served on various national and international committees concerned with Nutrition policy, collaborative cardiovascular epidemiology and genomic research. For example: she has been a Taiwan Department of Health Food and Nutrition Council member, chairperson of the nutrition evidence and policy section in the Healthy Taiwan 2020 initiative, and a Board Member of the Asian Pacific cohort study collaboration. She also serves on several editorial boards of international journals and as a grader for the American Heart Association meetings and grant reviewer for various foreign research foundations such as the National Heart Foundation of Australia, Wellcome Trust Foundation, and Research Grants Council (RGC) of Hong Kong.

Wen-Harn Pan exceeds the expectations of an Asia Pacific Clinical Nutrition Society awardee in her contributions to the nutritionally-related health and well-being of peoples in the Asia Pacific region. The Society is privileged that she is the 2010 recipient of its annual award. (<http://www.apcns.org.cn/Award.html>)

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