

Chinese American Hematologist and Oncologist Network 美国华裔血液与肿瘤专家学会

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Dear CAHON Members,

With the support of the CAHON Board of Directors, I am pleased to announce the appointment of Hongtao Liu, MD, PhD to serve as the Vice President for the 2022-2024 term. Together with the President, the Vice President provides leadership to the CAHON Executive Team which is comprised of the CAHON Committee Chairs.

Dr. Liu has been an active member of CAHON since 2015 and served as the chair of the Events & Education Committee for 2020-22. As such, he took a leading role in organizing the 2020, 2021 Winter Synposium, and discussions of challenges in managing hematologic malignancies during the COVID-19 pandemics. His great leadership skills and his passion to serve CAHON have been very well demonstrated through his contribution to many CAHON activities.

Dr. Liu is a hematologist and medical oncologist, specializing in the diagnosis and treatment of leukemia, stem cell transplantation and cellular therapy. Dr. Liu is currently associate professor of medicine at University of Chicago. He received MD and PhD in immunology from Beijing Medical University, he finished his hematology/oncology fellowship training at University of Chicago. In addition to his clinical role, Dr. Liu is an active researcher. He aims to develop novel therapy including immunotherapy to eliminate minimal residual diseases after chemotherapy or stem cell transplant to fight cancer cells and prevent disease relapse. Dr. Liu has received funding for his work from prominent organizations, including the American Cancer Society, Cancer Research Foundation, and K12 Paul Calabresi Career Development in Clinical Oncology Award. He has been the principal investigator for several investigator-initiated clinical trials focusing on immunotherapy and maintenance therapy to prevent disease relapse in acute leukemia after chemotherapy and stem cell transplantation.

CAHON has enjoyed tremendous growth over the past two years. With the strong leadership and dedication of the 2020-2022 Board of Directors and Executive Team, by partnering with EDI for administrative management, and with the dedication and support of our members, CAHON reached new heights and established clear strategic goals for the next several years. There has never been a better time to consider lending your time and expertise to help shape the direction of the organization.

Please join me in congratulating Dr. Liu on his new appointment.

Best regards,

Bo Zhao, MD President