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DEPARTMENT OF STATISTICS AND ACTUARIAL SCIENCE  
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Seminar

**Professor Toshimitsu HAMASAKI**

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will give a talk

entitled

**RANDOMIZATION IN CLINICAL TRIALS:  
ROLE, ISSUES AND CONTROVERSIES**

Abstract

The major objective of a comparative clinical trial is to evaluate whether a treatment is effective for patients. Random allocation of treatments is essential in designing a trial to achieve the objective efficiently under limited resources. The history, role, issues, and controversies surrounding the application of random allocation in clinical trials are reviewed. Why random allocation is necessary, what is the benefit of randomization, and what is the essential of randomization in clinical trials are discussed from statistical and clinical viewpoints.

on

**Friday, March 25, 2011**

**9:30 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.**

at

**Room 501, Meng Wah Complex  
(behind the Chong Yuet Ming Amenities Centre)**

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