UCLA Enters Landmark Arrangements with the Cancer Hospital/Institute, Chinese Academy of Medical Sciences (CAMS)

UCLA Ronald Reagan Medical Center including UCLA Hospital System and Jonsson Comprehensive Cancer Center has entered into milestone arrangements with the Cancer Hospital/Institute, Chinese Academy of Medical Sciences (CAMS) to develop collaborations in the field of cancer-focused clinical service and scientific research. These partnerships include a broad range of potential areas of collaboration, including diagnostic consultation, biomarker research, telepathology and survivorship.

Plans include the establishment of a joint Cancer Molecular Diagnostic Center which will provide advanced molecular diagnostic services that will be used for early detection, individualized patient management and prognostic information for individual patients, clinical trial samples, etc., which will benefit patients throughout China, and around the world. By linking the expertise of CAMS and other Chinese professionals with the UCLA Department of Pathology and Laboratory Medicine, the Center will be a premier diagnostic agency where authoritative diagnosis can be rendered for difficult surgical, molecular and genetic cases in China through state-of-the-art telepathology methodology. UCLA will also work with Cancer Hospital/Institute, CAMS to establish a joint tissue/biospecimen repository system that will benefit both entities for cancer biomarker testing and validation studies.

In addition, UCLA Medical Center also entered an agreement with CAMS for a broad and long term partnership in the field of medical research and clinical activities. CAMS is the major academic institution in China with 18 research institutes located in 5 cities and 6 academic hospitals located in 3 cities including the prominent Peking Union Hospital and Medical College, Cancer Hospital/Institute, and Cardiovascular Hospital, etc.