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Dr Ma's research focuses on the epidemiology and genetics of diabetes and its complications, gestational diabetes and epigenetics. He is currently leading a multi-disciplinary project team to identify novel molecular markers for diabetic complications. Another major focus of recent work is long-term follow-up on offspring of GDM mothers. He has published over 200 research articles in international peer-reviewed journals and authored 10 book chapters. Dr Ma is a recipient of several awards, including the Young Investigator Award from the International Diabetes Epidemiology Group (IDEG), Ten Outstanding Young Persons Award, Hong Kong (2009), the Albert Renold Fellowship from the European Association for the Study of Diabetes (2010), the Research Excellence Award (2011) and the Outstanding Fellowship of Faculty of Medicine from the Chinese University of Hong Kong (2014), and the Sir David Todd Lectureship from the Hong Kong College of Physicians (2015).

Leadership roles include serving as the immediate Past President of the International Diabetes Epidemiology Group (IDEG), and currently serving as the President of the Hong Kong Society of Endocrinology, Metabolism and Reproduction (HKSEMR), a member of the Executive Board, the Asian Association for the Study of Diabetes (AASD) and Council Member of the International Society for Developmental Origins of Health and Disease (DOHaD). He has served on the World Health Organization Working Group on Science and Evidence to End Childhood Obesity (ECHO), and as co-chair of the International Federation of Gynaecology and Obstetrics (FIGO) Working Group on Adolescent, Preconception and Maternal Nutrition. He is an invited reviewer of >20 journals including *the Lancet* and *Lancet Diabetes Endocrinology*, and is an Associate Editor of *Diabetic Medicine*, Academic Editor for *PLoS Medicine*, and editorial board member of *Obesity Reviews*, *Nutrition Metabolism and Cardiovascular Diseases*, and *Journal of Diabetes Investigation*.