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## Find Out More About Air Pollution at Free Lecture

Is it safe to breathe the air? A question many of us have asked when we smell, and sometimes even see, the air around us.

An answer to this question about air quality will be provided at the Hong Kong University of Science and Technology's Popular Science Lecture on Sunday, September 22. The lecture is one of a series specially designed to explain science and technology topics to non-scientists.

In "Atmospheric Aerosols: Nature, Importance and Health Effects", Dr Chak-Keung Chan, Assistant Professor of Chemical Engineering at HKUST, will discuss aerosols--small, airborne particles--explaining how they are formed and what their effects are on the environment and the public.

Dr Chak-Keung Chan

Dr Chan was educated in Hong Kong before studying chemical engineering in the United States. After graduating, he worked in a petrochemical consulting company before joining HKUST in 1992.

Dr Chan's research into aerosols has expanded recently, and he is now investigating the use of aerosol techniques to produce catalysts and pharmaceuticals.

Program details are as follows:

Lecture:	Atmospheric Aerosols: Nature, Importance and Health Effects
Date:	Sunday, 22 September 1996
Time:	11 am - 12:30 pm
Venue:	Lecture Hall, HK Science Museum, Tsim Sha Tsui East
Language:	Cantonese
Admission:	Free

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