

# Asia Medical Forum, first in China



At yesterday's opening of the The Lancet Asia Medical Forum on Stroke, the first such Forum to be held in China, Dr Bill Summerskill, executive editor at *The Lancet*, said that he had great expectations for the future control, research and treatment of stroke in Asia. Describing the journal's commitment to Asia he said "during this year, *The Lancet* has published papers from 13 countries in the region, the quality and richness of these making *The Lancet*, the influential journal it is today". This year, *The Lancet* is publishing a series on Health System Reform in China, with plans for similar series focusing on other Asian countries in the near future. Dr Summerskill closed with a recent quote from the journal: "China has the opportunity to lead the world not only in research quantity, but also in quality".



*The Forum has attracted in excess of 2000 delegates with most Asia-Pacific countries represented, including China, Hong Kong, Korea, Malaysia, Brunei, Thailand, Indonesia, India, Pakistan, Sri Lanka, Japan, Australia, and New Zealand.* ■