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Dr. Fong Tsai, chairman of UC Irvine's radiology department and a well-known expert on stroke, has been named the Hasso Brothers Endowed Chair in Radiologic Sciences.

The Hasso Brothers Foundation, headed by former UCI radiology chairman Dr. Anton N. Hasso and his wife, Dr. Peggy Fritzsche (Hasso), established the chair in 2002 with a pledge of \$1.4 million.

The chair was created to support clinical activities and research initiatives in the department of radiology, and to strengthen ties with specialists in head and neck surgery.

"I'm delighted and grateful to receive this support from the Hasso Brothers Foundation," Tsai said. "The endowment will go a long way toward developing research programs in radiology and furthering our expertise in diagnosing and treating stroke, as well as other vascular disorders in the brain."

Tsai was named chairman of the radiology department in January 2002. He came to UCI from Medical College of Pennsylvania-Hahnemann University in Philadelphia in 2000, where he also chaired the radiology department. His work in minimally invasive

treatments of severe stroke has received international recognition. He has authored two books and written more than 100 papers and 19 book chapters. He has also received residency teaching awards from USC, UCI, and the University of Missouri.

Tsai earned his medical degree from Taipei Medical College and completed his residency and fellowship training at Thomas Jefferson University in Philadelphia. He is board certified in diagnostic radiology and neuroradiology.

"This endowment strengthens the ties between two very strong departments at UCI— radiology and head and neck surgery," said Dr. Thomas C. Cesario, dean of the College of Medicine. "As radiologic techniques become more precise and become as much a part of surgery as a scalpel or a laser, we will be well-poised to take a leadership role in exciting developments for diagnosing stroke and other head and neck disorders."

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