In memory of

Professor Dr. Aishah Adam

(Dean, Faculty of Pharmacy UiTM, 2009 - 2019)



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It is with deep sadness and a heavy heart that we express our condolences on the passing of Professor Dr. Aishah Adam, an eminent scholar and leader in pharmaceutical education and research.

Prof. Aishah's untimely departure on 22 September 2024 leaves a profound void in the Faculty of Pharmacy, Universiti Teknologi MARA (UiTM), and the wider pharmacy community of Malaysia.

Professor Dr. Aishah's life exemplified excellence and dedication. Her academic journey began in 1977 when she completed her Malaysian Certificate of Education at Tunku Kurshiah College, demonstrating early academic promise. She went on to earn her Bachelor of Pharmacy (Hons) from Zagazig University, Egypt, in 1983, followed by a prestigious PhD in Biochemical Toxicology from the School of Pharmacy at London University in 1989.

Professor Dr. Aishah's contributions to pharmacy education were significant. She played a pivotal role in establishing the B.Pharm program at the University Kebangsaan Malaysia (UKM) as its founding head. Later, she served as Dean of the Faculty of Pharmacy at UiTM from 2009 to 2019. She was always keen on advancing pharmacy education and played a key role in developing and improving the curriculum throughout the years.

Prof. Aishah was passionate about pharmaceutical research. This dedication was evident in her extensive academic contributions. She secured substantial funding for various research projects, supervised many postgraduate students, and mentored numerous scientists and academics. Prof Aishah's research in oxidative stress, antioxidants, efficacy, and safety studies were highly regarded. She authored numerous peer-reviewed journal articles and presented her findings at conferences and seminars. Prof. Aishah's influence extended beyond UiTM. She played a vital role in fostering academic rigor, serving as an external examiner and reviewer across several institutions and publications.

More importantly, beyond these successes and recognitions, Prof. Aishah believed in the importance of her research and how it could help people. She had always strived to apply what she learned from her research in actual life. She had wanted to contribute more, but sadly, it was time for her to meet her Creator.

More than an academic, Professor Aishah was a respected and admired leader. Her approach, described as both strict and motherly, fostered respect and admiration among students and colleagues alike. Her kindness and compassion were evident in her willingness to help others in any way she could, whether it was financially, emotionally, or simply by listening. Most people who knew Prof. Aishah personally would attest to her high expectations. She pushed her students and colleagues to their full potential, her ultimate goal being their success. She was beautiful inside out; more than she gave herself credit, she was selfless and always a giver.

In her final months, she showed great bravery and dignity and was surrounded by love. She never showed pain even in her most excruciating moments. Her passing is an immeasurable loss to all who knew her, but her legacy will live on through all the lives that she touched.

We extend our heartfelt sympathy to Prof Dr Aishah Adam's family, friends, and colleagues during this difficult time. May her soul rest in peace, and may her contributions continue to inspire future generations.

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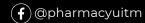
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