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FACULTY OF PHARMACY, UTM POSTGRADUATES TRIUMPH AT THE 6TH INTERNATIONAL PHARMACEUTICAL RESEARCH CONFERENCE

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The Faculty of Pharmacy, Universiti Teknologi MARA (UiTM), proudly marked another achievement in research excellence through its outstanding representation at the 6th International Pharmaceutical Research Conference (iPRC 2025), hosted by the University of Cyberjaya from 19 to 21 September 2025. The active involvement and outstanding achievements of UiTM's postgraduate students and academic staff underscored the faculty's growing leadership and reputation in the regional and global pharmaceutical research community.



Carrying the theme "Innovating for a Sustainable Future: New Paradigms in Pharmaceutical Sciences," the conference served as a premier platform for academicians, researchers, and healthcare professionals to exchange innovative ideas and share recent advances that are shaping the future of pharmaceutical sciences. The event commenced with a pre-conference workshop day, which offered hands-on sessions on aseptic compounding, sustainable cosmetic formulation, and scientific writing. The main scientific proceedings were organised around four major tracks: Hospital & Clinical Pharmacy, Pharmaceutical Chemistry & Pharmacology, Pharmacy Practice & Education, and Drug Discovery & Delivery.

The conference was officially inaugurated by Tan Sri Dato' Seri Dr. Noor Hisham Abdullah, Chancellor of the University of Cyberjaya, who delivered a keynote address titled "Innovating Beyond Boundaries: Improving Accessibility, Affordability, and Equity in Hepatitis C Treatment in Malaysia." In his keynote, Tan Sri Dr. Noor Hisham emphasised the importance of innovation in enhancing accessibility and equity in healthcare delivery, particularly through the application of evidence-based pharmaceutical practices and collaborations between academia, healthcare institutions, and industry. His inspiring message resonated strongly with the conference's theme, reinforcing the shared vision of sustainability and innovation in pharmacy. The scientific discourse throughout the conference was further enriched by plenary and parallel sessions featuring both international and local experts, encouraging knowledge exchange and fostering multidisciplinary collaborations.

A highlight of iPRC 2025 was the recognition of exceptional research presentations. Two postgraduate students from the Faculty of Pharmacy UiTM received the Best Oral Presenter Award for their excellent work. Mr. Muhammad Najmie Aliff Kamaruddin, from the Master of Clinical Pharmacy (PHM777) programme, presented his study titled "Mobile Self-Care Application for Heart Failure: Development, Validation, and Usability in Malaysia." His research showcased the innovative integration of digital health technology in chronic disease management, promoting patient empowerment and self-care through accessible mobile platforms. Meanwhile, Mdm. Rosmaliah Alias, a PhD (Clinical Pharmacy) (PHC960) candidate, delivered her presentation titled "Translation and Psychometric Validation of the Malay Care Transition Measure (CTM-15-MY) in Older Adults." Her research contributed significantly to improving healthcare quality among Malaysia's ageing population by developing and validating a culturally adapted instrument to assess care transitions.

Their achievements reflect UiTM's strong commitment to nurturing excellence in pharmaceutical research through rigorous academic training, effective mentorship, and a culture of innovation. The conference concluded with an awards and closing ceremony celebrating collaboration, innovation, and knowledge sharing. The success of the Faculty of Pharmacy UiTM delegation brought immense pride to the university and reaffirmed its role as a leading institution in pharmaceutical education and research. Through active engagement in international academic platforms, the Faculty of Pharmacy, UiTM, continues to advance its mission of promoting innovation, global visibility, and impactful research that supports the nation's healthcare transformation agenda.

