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SILVER JUBILEE SPARK: IPNaCS & IPoPS 2026 IGNITES 25 YEARS OF UiTM's PHARMACY EXCELLENCE

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What began as a faculty milestone became a showcase of how pharmaceutical sciences are being reshaped by digital innovation, global partnerships, and the next generation of researchers.

UiTM's Faculty of Pharmacy marked its Silver Jubilee with IPNaCS and IPoPS 2026, a two-day international conference held from 13 to 14 August 2026 at Mercure Kuala Lumpur Glenmarie, Shah Alam. Bringing together researchers, industry representatives, and postgraduate scholars, the event celebrated the faculty's 25-year legacy while highlighting digital transformation in wellness, longevity, therapy, and the future of pharmaceutical sciences.

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HONOURING LEGACY, IGNITING THE FUTURE

The event was deeply rooted in shared history. As Conference Chairperson, Professor Dr. Mizaton Hazizul Hasan reflected that both IPNaCS and IPoPS trace their origins to 2012 and 2010, respectively, when they were visionary initiatives by the late Professor Dr. Aishah Adam, former Dean of the Faculty. Carrying her spirit of global collaboration forward, this milestone gathering was supported by the Dean, Professor Dato' Dr. Abu Bakar Abdul Majeed, and strengthened through partnerships with Tokyo University of Science, Japan (TUS), Universitas Indonesia (UI), Chulalongkorn University (Thailand), University of Santo Tomas (Philippines), and International Medical University (IMU, Malaysia).



IPNaCS & IPoPS 2026 highlighted over a decade of collaboration in pharmaceutical, nutraceutical, and cosmeceutical sciences with Tokyo University of Science, International Medical University Malaysia, Chulalongkorn University, University of Santo Tomas, and Universitas Indonesia.

The conference brought together more than 150 participants and contributors from UiTM's academic community, public and private universities in Malaysia and abroad, government agencies, and industry partners. Japan and Indonesia led the international representation, joined by researchers from Iraq, the Philippines, Singapore, Russia, and the United States.

The conference opened with a keynote lecture by Dr. Azuana Ramli, Director of Pharmaceutical Services and Deputy Director General of Health (Pharmacy) at the Ministry of Health Malaysia (MOH). Across the sessions, delegates engaged with developments in pharmaceutical nanotechnology, nutraceutical formulations, cosmeceutical science, advanced drug delivery systems, biotechnology, and regulatory science.

The scientific calibre was showcased through 44 oral presentations and 54 poster presentations, offering dynamic platforms for emerging and established researchers alike. The event culminated in an inspiring Closing Plenary Talk, delivered as a distinguished professorial lecture by Professor Dr. Kalavathy Ramasamy, which capped off the scientific sessions on a high note.

CELEBRATING ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE: AWARD WINNERS

The conference recognised scientific excellence by presenting certificates and monetary prizes to outstanding researchers in the poster and oral presentation categories.

● **Poster Presentation Award Winners:**

1st Place: Mohd Radzi bin Ab. Aziz (UiTM)

2nd Place: Larasati Arum (UI)

3rd Place: Nur Asyiera Amiruddin (Universiti Sultan Zainal Abidin)

● **Oral Presentation Award Winners:**

1st Place: Shu Obana (TUS)

2nd Place: Rickha Octavia (Sekolah Tinggi Ilmu Farmasi Riau)

3rd Place: Dr. Hisyam Abdul Hamid (UiTM)

The complete range of scientific work presented, from keynote addresses and plenary lectures to invited speaker presentations and participant abstracts, is available in the official Abstract Book.

A TRIUMPH OF TEAMWORK & DEDICATION

Behind the seamless execution of this landmark event were months of preparation and commitment. The success of IPNaCS and IPoPS 2026 was made possible by the organising committee, faculty members, academic and support staff, and postgraduate students, who worked together from February 2026 to bring the conference to life.

As the Faculty of Pharmacy UiTM closes the chapter on its first 25 years, IPNaCS and IPoPS 2026 stand as more than a celebration of past achievements. They mark a renewed commitment to global collaboration, digital transformation, and scientific discovery for the future of healthcare.



IPNaCS & IPoPS 2026 brought together participants, speakers, and organisers in a vibrant celebration of research, collaboration, and academic achievement.

8th IPNaCS & 11th IPoPS 2026



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