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VISIT FROM DEPUTY VICE-CHANCELLOR-RESEARCH & INNOVATION UITM TO IMMB AND FACULTY OF MEDICINE. IMMB is proud to receive the Deputy Vice-Chancellor-Research & Innovation UiTM, Prof. Ts. Dr Mohd Nazip Suratman to IMMB on 12 November 2021. This visit was also attended by the top management of the Faculty of Medicine namely Prof. Dr. Ariza Adnan (Deputy Dean Industry, Community and Alumni Network), Assoc. Prof. Dr. Thuhairah Hasrah Abdul Rahman (Deputy Dean Research & Innovation), Prof. Dr. Rohana Abdul Ghani (Deputy Dean Postgraduate & Professional Training) and Prof. Dr. Ahmad Nazrun Shuib (Deputy Dean Student Affair). A lot of matters were discussed for research improvements including research facilities, collaborations, and linkages. Furthermore, our IMMB Student Lounge was proudly officiated by Prof. Ts. Dr Mohd Nazip Suratman.

IMMB INTERNATIONAL WEBINAR SERIES 07/2021 was successfully conducted on 1 November 2021. The invited speaker was Dr. Tasneem Khanam from University Hospital Muenster, Germany. She shared with the audience her expertise on the topic entitled "Integrative Genomic Analysis of Pediatric T- cell Lymphoblastic Lymphoma Reveals Candidates of Clinical Significance". This talk was chaired by Dr. Navindra Kumari Palanisamy and was attended by 45 participants.





IMMB BASIC LECTURE 2021 was conducted on 10 November 2021. The invited speaker was Mr. Johnson NG from Dino Lite Handheld Microscope, Malaysia. The title of his presentation was "Dino-Lite Digital Microscope". This is a very important topic especially for students who are working with microscope and microscopic images in their research. This talk was chaired by Mr. Mohd Ameer Azeezy and was attended by 35 participants.

The FUN International Webinar Series 13 organized by FUN Entomology Lab in collaboration with IMMB was successfully conducted on 23 November 2021. The invited speaker was Dr. Paula A. Magni from Murdoch University, Australia. She is also one of our IMMB External Advisors. The title of her presentation was "Aquatic Forensic: Investigating Crimes in the Blue Planet." PhD student, Nurul Azmiera Zamri, was the moderator for this webinar session and it was attended by 93 participants.



ACTIVITIES, INITIATIVES & INVOLVEMENT



IMMB WEBINAR IN COLLABORATION WITH THE FACULTY OF ART AND DESIGN was conducted on 15 November 2021. This is our first webinar with speakers from a nonscience faculty. We were lucky to have 3 speakers who are experts in their respective fields. We have Assoc. Prof. Jalaini Abu Hassan who talked on "Visual Competence in Art Making." Second speaker Assoc. Prof. Ramlan Abdullah who shared his expertise titled "Way of Inquiry in the Creativity Process" while third speaker Assoc. Prof. Dr Rafeah Legino who talked about "Potential Collaboration on Micro Image as Artistic Innovation". This webinar was attended by 88 participants including those from Indonesia, and was moderated by Dr. Heo Chong Chin.

IMMB JOURNAL CLUB 2021 was conducted on 17 November 2021. The invited speaker was **Nur Fatihah Binti Ronny Sham** (PhD Student). She is under the supervision of **Assoc. Prof Dr. Muhammad Johari Ibrahim**. She had shared her research findings on **"Molecular Markers of Radioresistance In Breast Cancer".** This research outcomes will be beneficial for breast cancer patients by improving oncological outcomes and enhancing patients' quality of care. This talk was chaired by Mrs. Roslina Ali and was attended by 31 participants.





IMMB BASIC LECTURE 2021 was conducted on 24 November 2021. The invited speaker was Dr. Mohd Danial Bin Mohd Efendy Goon (Postdoctoral I-Pperform, UITM). The title of his presentation was "Are You Ready For Viva Voce? Here's How." This is a very important topic especially to postgraduate students as a preparation for their viva at the end of their study. This sharing session was moderated by Mrs. Norita Salim and was attended by 35 postgraduate students and staff.

Muhd Zulfiqah Sadikan, who is under the supervision of Dr. Nurul Alimah Abdul Nasir passed his PhD VIVA VOCE (MD990) on 1 December 2021. His PhD research title is "Mechanisms Underlying The Protective Effect of Tocotrienol–rich Fraction Against Retinal Oxidative Stress, Inflammation, Apoptosis and Angiogenesis In Streptozotocin-induced Diabetic Retinopathy Rats". Throughout his PhD, he had successfully produced 4 manuscripts, published in Biomolecules (2020), Asian Journal of Medicine and Biomedicine (2021), Neuroscience Research Notes (2021) and Asia Pacific Journal of Clinical Nutrition (2021).



SPRING CLEANING DAY – ARCHIVE ROOM, GF, IMMB (Consumable Storage). This bi-annual event was conducted on 25 November 2021. Around 15 users were present during this cleanup session according to the Covid-19 SOP. The cleaning process involved the removal of unused or expired consumables to optimize the storage space. This allows more consumables to be stored in an organized manner, and easily accessible. This conducted activity was and supervised Ummu Fatin by Mrs. Maghfirah.



"Above all, don't fear difficult moments. The best comes from them"- Rita Levi-Montalcini





UPCOMING EVENT!

INTERNATIONAL WEBINAR SERIES 8/2021

Dr. Leonny Hartiadi Vice Rector of Academics, Pharmacy Department, Indonesia International Institute of Life Science 16 Dec 2021 (Thursday) 12PM(Malaysia Time)

Junior Scientist Day- Crime Scene Investigation (JSD-CSI) 22 Dec 2021 (Wednesday) 9AM-12PM

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