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AGA129 COLLABORATIVE TEACHING EVENT HIGHLIGHTS REAL-WORLD CHEMISTRY APPLICATIONS

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On 13th January 2025, the Chemistry & Herbals – Bridging Organic Chemistry and Toxicology Program was successfully held as part of the collaborative teaching initiative for the AGA129 course: Introduction to Chemistry for Herbal Production. This hybrid event was moderated by Chemistry Lecturer Ms. Nurain Johar, with guest speaker ChM. Siti Hajar Hairi, a chemist from Jabatan Kimia Malaysia, Negeri Perak, who delivered her session via Google Meet while the students participated on campus from Room TEC 2, Faculty of Applied Sciences (FSG).

The three-hour session began with a syllabus-based lecture on the Introduction to Reactions of Organic Compounds, providing students with foundational knowledge aligned with their coursework. Following this, ChM. Siti Hajar, who has served as a professional chemist since 2013, conducted an insightful sharing session covering toxicology in herbal products, the importance of organic chemistry in toxicological analysis, and her hands-on experience with analytical instruments such as Gas Chromatography Mass Spectrometry (GC-MS) and Gas Chromatography-Flame Ionization Detector (GC-FID).

The program concluded with a Q&A session. Students from the ATI22 Diploma in Herbal Production Technology program eagerly asked questions to the speaker about the future of herbal products in Malaysia, regulatory enforcement, and career opportunities within Institut Kimia Malaysia, including potential internship pathways. This enriching session reinforced academic learning and inspired students to explore future roles in Malaysia's growing herbal and analytical chemistry sectors.



Interactive Q&A with guest speaker via Google Meet



Students engaged during the hybrid Chemistry & Herbals session