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RISE Magazine is published by Office of the Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Research and Innovation) with aims to highlight a research and innovation on multidisciplinary expert of fields in UiTM. It serves as a platform for researcher to showcase their high quality and impactful findings, activities and innovative solution through publication. Contribution of these ideas come from academicians, researchers, graduates and universities professionals who will enhance the visibility of research and stride to elevate Universiti Teknologi MARA to global standards. This is an effort to promote research as a culture that is accepted by all expertise.

ABOUT UiTM

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Bismillahirrahmanirrahim.

Alhamdulillah, all praises to Allah SWT and a heartfelt congratulations to the Office of Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Research and Innovation) on the publication of RISE Magazine (October Issue, No. 2) in promoting visibility for UiTM's research and its researchers.

I am thrilled to have witnessed a growing number of article publications and research innovations endeavoured by our fellow researchers. Thank you for all the effort, time, and energy that you have selflessly spent for the university.

The sustainability theme chosen for this edition is wise, apt, and timely. While striving to become a Globally Renowned University (GRU) and attaining Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), we must ensure that our research activities are in line with the 17 goals set by the United Nations (UN) as well as the university's strategic plan.

UiTM is proud with the progressive development of renewable energy and currently 7 campuses are equipped with solar photovoltaic rooftops. This supports Malaysia's noble cause of becoming a carbon-neutral nation by 2050. Green Retrofit Framework for Sustainable Residential Refurbishment Project was also initiated with

plausible effectiveness to increase the number of green buildings and eventually will help reduce the emission of Green House Gases (GHG).

Our researchers have also begun to use Green Polysaccharides material for wound healing which is greener and environmentally benign. Other noteworthy projects are the use of Resistograph to assess the accuracy of Wood Density (WD) prediction, the application of 3D printing technology in simulating real experiences of halal animal slaughtering, as well as lipid reduction via systematic screening to make our planet more sustainable.

I am delighted with the research ambience that has now become an acceptable culture in UiTM. GRU2025 is definitely achievable with continuous effort and dedication made by members of UiTM as we work towards helping the nation and the world to achieving SDGs by 2030.

Thank you.

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FOREWORD

Congratulations to the editorial team on the publication of RISE magazine Issue 2, 2022, serving as a platform to showcase our pride in UiTM research and innovations.

We chose *Sustainability* as the theme for this edition. Despite its definition that may be contextual and vary across the field, we can't deny its essence and impacts on our daily life, and that every one of us should gracefully embrace.

Under this umbrella, we have witnessed an array of projects carried out by UiTM researches in various genres of research, driven to help the community in the short and long run. Flipping each page of this magazine and seeing how far we have become as a university sends unflagging goosebumps- signaling how proud I am to be part of this huge family.

Research has no longer been alien to us. We could see that the propagated activities in the quest of finding answers to problems have mushroomed over the years. It has become somewhat the bread and butter of academics other than teaching and learning. Its role has been significantly proven to elevate teaching community to a better level.

TNCPI Office seeks continuous support from every researcher, academician, and administrator to keep your momentum in doing research and innovations. Perhaps, through a stronger research ecosystem, this will help us to become a Globally Renowned University by 2025. We will keep providing supports, rewards and facilities needed in boosting the morale of our researchers.

Lastly, I hope RISE can be the front page of UiTM exhibiting the business that we are doing. Every time you go for a conference or any meeting with potential collaborators, please share RISE with them. We never know how much opportunities that will come knocking our doors just from that gesture.

Thank You.

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MESSAGE FROM THE CHIEF EDITOR

Alhamdulillah

It gives me great pleasure to see RISE issue # II published. We have received a huge number of impactful submissions to be featured as our #KeluargaUiTM's research stories. Despite the difficult circumstances of post-covid19, UiTM researchers are proactive in carrying out research activities and events within their respective capacities.

Allow me to express my heartfelt gratitude to all of the authors of the articles in this magazine. Not to forget all editorial members who worked hard to ensure its publication was on schedule. The publication of this issue would have been far more difficult to achieve without their contributions. In this edition, we feature seven researchers from both science and technology and social sciences disciplines with their views and experiences in sustainability-related research and their efforts for mobilising sustainable development. Also, RISE II presents the achievements of the multidisciplinary domains by distinguished UiTM research groups.



I believe that sustainability should be the nucleus of any research agenda. Prominent researchers around the world are focusing on the call to address global livelihood and wellbeing. Hence, we at UiTM should embed and embrace the principles of Sustainable Development Goals in our research efforts.

To all researchers out there, we hope that the amazing stories in RISE II will rekindle our enthusiasm for research. We sincerely hope to bring you more research news from the #keluargaUiTM in the coming issues. I invite you to discover RISE II and be inspired. Enjoy reading!

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Stakeholders Site-level Workshop for Project Ecosystem Service Assessment in The Central Forest Spine (CFS) Selangor using Toolkit for Ecosystem Service Site-based Assessment (TESSA)



Ecosystem service assessment in the Central Forest Spine (CFS) Selangor using TESSA Toolkit project was funded by Yayasan Hasanah with the collaboration between South East Asia Rainforest Research Partnership (SEARPP), Selangor Forestry Department and Universiti Teknologi MARA (UiTM), Shah Alam. This three-year project aims to identify and assess the ecosystem services in the ecology corridor of CFS B-SL1 Selangor: Raja Musa Forest Reserve – Gading Forest Reserve – Bukit Tarik Forest Reserve, Selangor by focusing on the three main ecosystems; climate regulation, water and nature-based recreation. This project is led by Ts. Dr Nor Hanisah Mohd Hashim, a senior lecturer from Centre of Studies for Park and Amenity Management,

Faculty of Architecture, Planning and Surveying, UiTM Shah Alam.

Prior to the implementation of the ecosystem services assessment, a site-level workshop was conducted on 15th March 2022 at the *Dewan Balai Raya Kampung Pasir Putih, Kalumpang*. This one-day workshop involved active participation from different stakeholders who played their own part in the CFS implementation in Hulu Selangor such as officers from Hulu Selangor Forestry Department, Department of Orang Asli Department (JAKOA), Hulu Selangor Municipal Council, Selangor Agricultural Development Corporation (PKPS), community leaders from *Majlis Pengurusan Komuniti Kampung (MPKK)* and chalet operators.

The workshop was officiated by Mr Syed Mohd Adzha Syed Khalid, a Senior Assistant Director from Forest Planning and Certification, Selangor Forestry Department and continued with a brief presentation on the implementation of this project by the project leader, Ts. Dr Nor Hanisah. The committee of the workshop consisted of three lecturers from Centre of Studies for Park and Amenity Management: Madam Nurul Akmaniza Mohd Nasir, Mr Firdaus Chek Sulaiman and Mr Nawfal Kamarul Bahrain. The highlight of the workshop was a discussion session where all participants are required to answer a structured questionnaire that was designed specially to give an opportunity for stakeholders to write their own opinion on ecosystem services assessed, types of threats or activities that they anticipated might destruct the ecosystem service thus affecting their quality of life.

This workshop is a success and it give an insight to participants on the importance of ecosystem services assessment project and encourages stakeholders' engagement during the process to ensure the sustainability of corridor ecology in the CFS Selangor. Additionally, it is a great forum for the identification, discussion and resolution of issues by using inputs from different levels of stakeholders group. This session helps in breaking down barriers and improving communication between researchers, agencies and the local community.



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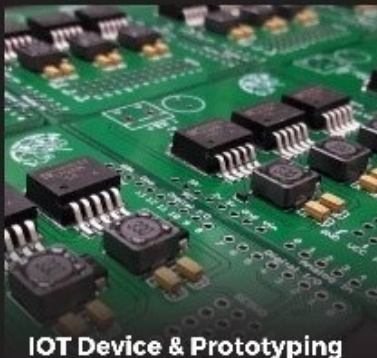
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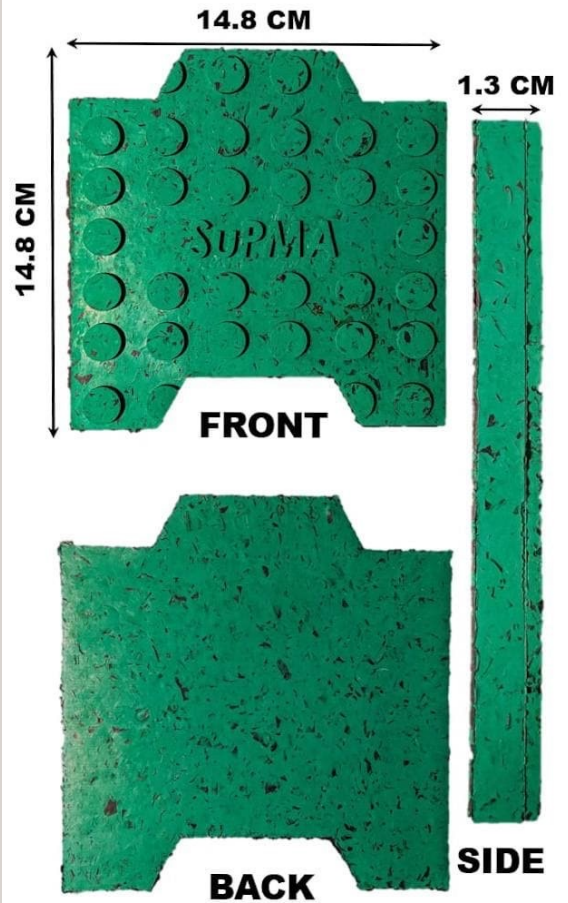
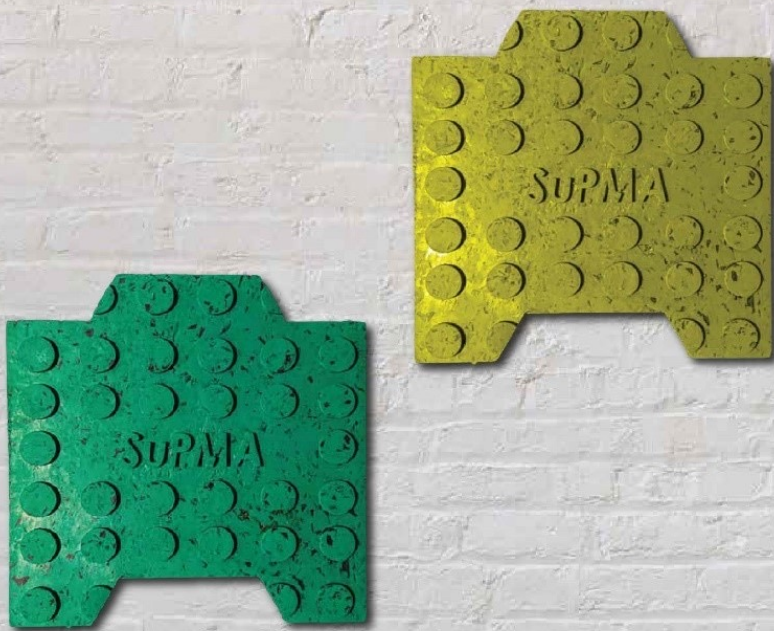
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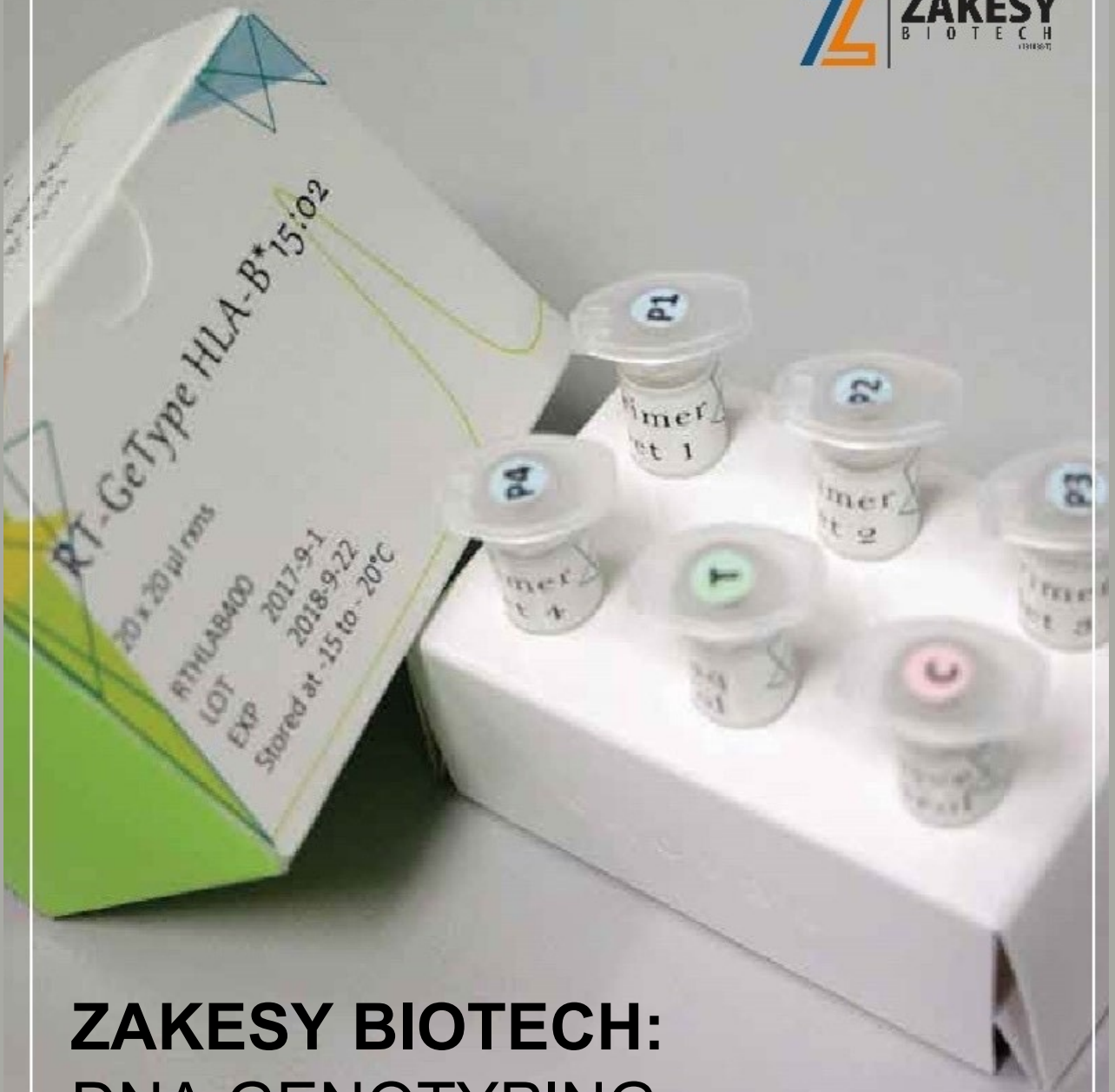
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