



**Joint IKM & RSC Prize in Polymer Science  
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**Invitation to submit nomination**

**1. Introduction**

The annual Prize is intended to reward the best PhD student in the field of Polymer Science at a Malaysian Institution of Higher Learning. The Prize will be awarded to the PhD student who has displayed an outstanding ability across a range of criteria through his/her PhD thesis. The recipient will receive a cash prize and a certificate to be presented at the IKM's Annual Chemistry Night (Malam Kimia).

**2. Prize Value:                   MR2,500**

**3. Nomination**

The Prize will be opened to candidates who have received their PhD from a Malaysian based institution. Self-nomination is acceptable. Nomination should consist of the following:

- i) Completed Nomination Form together with supporting documents;
- ii) A statement of support (not more than 300 words) from the Nominator, or in the case of self-nomination, from the Nominee; and
- iii) A copy of the PhD certificate from the University (stating the date of award)

**4. The prize will be judged by a Panel of Judges based on the following criteria:**

- i) Confirmation of the award of PhD between Jan 1<sup>st</sup> and Dec 31<sup>st</sup> of the previous year from a Malaysian Institution of Higher Learning (i.e. the prize to be awarded in 2016 will be based upon the nominee obtaining his/her PhD degree in 2015);
- ii) The PhD thesis topic must be related to Polymer/Macromolecular Science;
- iii) Evidence of transition to independence by the student in the PhD research programme;
- iv) The quality and quantity of publications / outputs;
- v) The novelty of the student's work and
- vi) The student's contribution to the advancement and communication of science in general.



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**NOMINATION FORM**

<b>Item</b>	<b>Description</b>
Name of Nominee	:
IC No. / Passport No.	:
Nationality	:
Cell-phone No.	:
Email	:
Title of Thesis	:
University	:
Faculty/Department	:
Duration of candidature	: No. of Years: _____ End date (Senate Approval date): _____
Main supervisor	:
Co-supervisor(s)	: i. _____ : ii. _____
ISI/Scopus-index journal publications	: _____ : _____ : _____
Other publications/outputs	: _____
Awards & Patents (if any)	: _____ : _____
Presentations in conferences and other scientific meetings	: _____

In addition, please also provide the following documents:

<b>Appendix</b>	<b>Description</b>
A	: External Examiner's report
B	: Letter of award of the degree from the University (stating the date of award or Senate Approval date in the year of 2015)
C	: Thesis abstract
D	: A brief (1 - 4 page) CV of the nominee
E	: List of ISI/Scopus-index journal publications (as first author, co-author and/or corresponding author)
F	: Patents Certificates (if any)
G	: Awards Confirmation (if any)
H	: One hardcopy of thesis

I hereby nominate \_\_\_\_\_ as candidate for the **Joint IKM & RSC Prize in Polymer Science 2016**.

Signature of nominator : \_\_\_\_\_  
Name of nominator : \_\_\_\_\_ (Authorised stamp)  
Designation : \_\_\_\_\_  
University : \_\_\_\_\_  
Email : \_\_\_\_\_

**Important note: Completed Nomination Form must reach IKM Secretariat latest by 30th August 2016**