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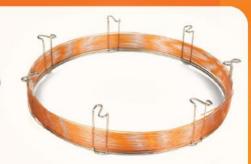


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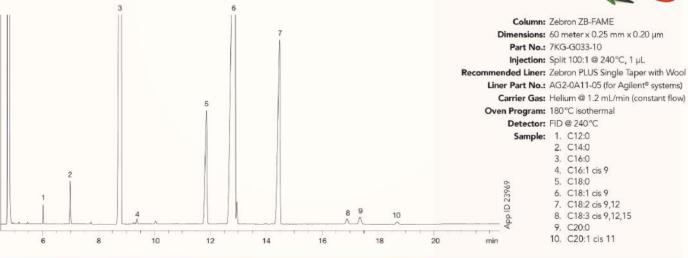
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#### Message from the President



2020 - A Year of consolidation?

2020 is supposed to be good year signifying the start of the new decade. But the onslaught of the Covid-19 pandemic at the beginning of the year has changed everything. So what do we expect of 2020?

#### 1. Current Covid-19 pandemic in the world and in Malaysia

The first Covid-19 cases started in the City of Wuhan, China in late 2019 and it spreads very quickly in China and a number of Asian countries from January 2020 onwards. The viral disease reached a peak in middle of March 2020 with more than 80,000 cases and 3,000 deaths.

However, while Covid-19 is being brought under control in China, it spread like wild fire in Europe and North America. As of this moment, USA has more than 200,000 cases while Italy has the highest number of deaths of more than 11,000.

In Malaysia, we have a slow start of up to 30 cases at the end of February 2020 but it started to surge from March onwards. Now we have more than 3,000 cases with 45 deaths.

When do we expect Covid-19 to come to an end? No body has got the answer but according to medical experts and virologists, we are looking at June 2020 for the disease to tailor off and maybe by the end of the year, we can bring it under control. Of course, many groups of medical experts and scientists are working very hard to find a vaccine for Covid-19.

As for Malaysia, we are looking towards mid-April to bring the disease under control and hopefully by June, everything will be back to normal.

#### 2. So, what is for IKM in 2020?

So we have lost half a year due to Covid-19. Many of our major events and activities are being postponed to later part of year due to the Movement Control Order (MCO) imposed by our Government. These include the 53rd Annual General Meeting which, most likely, will be held at the end of May or early June.

We also postpone our flagship events, the International Congress of Pure and Applied Chemistry (ICPAC KK) and the Malaysian International Chemistry Congress (MICC) 2020 in Kota Kinabalu, Sabah to 20 – 23 October 2020.

There are also other events and functions that we have to postpone, including some courses at the IKM Professional Centre.

But all is not lost, we still have the second half of 2020 to recoup our losses.

#### 3. 2nd Half of 2020 - Consolidation

We would be going full steam ahead as soon as the Movement Control Order is lifted, but still cautious and vigilant about the further spread of Covid-19.

First is the 53rd AGM which will take place in early June. A date would be announced soon. All members must come to support IKM.

Then ICPAC KK & 20MICC 2020 will be held from 20 - 23 October 2020 in Pacific Sutera Hotel, Kota Kinabalu, Sabah. We are expecting a good turn-up this time to compensate for the lost time due to Covid-19 pandemic. We also appeal to our members to participate in these two scientific meetings, especially 20MICC 2020.

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We will also have our flagship Malam Kimia 2020 which is our annual social event where we recognise excellence in chemistry and present various IKM awards. Malam Kimia 2020 will be held on 4 December 2020 at the Berjaya Times Square Hotel, Kuala Lumpur.

In conjunction with Malam Kimia 2020, we are organising the 6th Conference of Asian Science Editors (6CASE) from 3 – 4 December 2920 at the same venue.

The other programmes and activities will go on as planned including those postponed due to the MCO.

#### 4. IKM Covid-19 Fund

Due to the Covid-19 pandemic, thousands of people lost their lives and the whole world will be in an economic recession soon. In Malaysia, we are similarly affected with loss of lives and economic depression. Businesses are being seriously affected and people lost their jobs. The Government has to come up with a number of stimulus packages to help businesses and people to tie over this difficult period. What can IKM and our members do?

The IKM Council has decided to establish an **IKM Covid-19 Fund** with a donation of RM50,000 from IKM. We are also appealing to our members to contribute to this **Fund**. The monies raised from this **Fund** will be given to the Government Covid-19 Fund. Our monies are to be used mainly for the purchase of Personal Protective Equipment (PPE), medicines and other medical equipment.

We are targeting to collect up to RM100,000. So please donate generously. We are doing our part to fight against this deadly Covid-19 pandemic.

#### 5. IKM 2021

For 2020, we are consolidating our resources to tie over the difficult time. We are looking forward to 2021 being an eventful and successful year for IKM.

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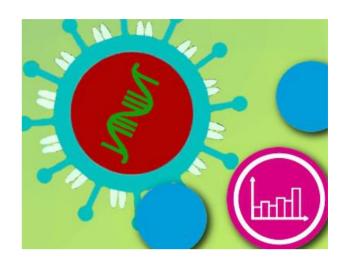
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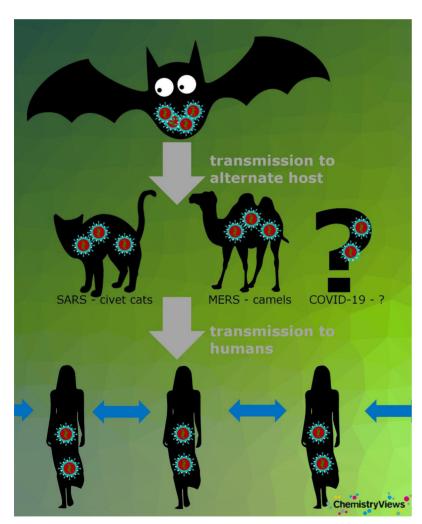
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#### Coronavirus Entering and Replicating in a Host Cell

We still don't know everything about the coronavirus (SARS-CoV-2) causing the current COVID-19 outbreak, but research is progressing rapidly. We know, for example, that SARS-CoV-2 shares a strong homology with its better-studied cousin SARS-CoV, responsible for an outbreak of SARS (Severe Acute Respiratory Syndrome) between 2002 and 2003. MERS-CoV, another member of this genus, has caused the Middle East respiratory syndrome (MERS) first reported in 2012

Most coronaviruses are known to infect only non-human species.





#### How Did the Coronavirus Get to Humans?

Zoonotic diseases such as those caused by coronaviruses are infectious diseases caused by viruses, bacteria, or other parasites that spread from animals to humans. These animals, called reservoir hosts, often are adapted to the virus. Often these are bats or fruit bats (flying foxes). The crossspecies jump into humans of a virus often occurred via an intermediate species (referred to as a vector), which sometimes can carry the disease pathogen without getting infected. Examples of vector species include monkeys (Ebola, HIV), swine (H1N1),horses (Hendra virus).

Bats and fruit bats are a major reservoir of many strains of coronaviruses.

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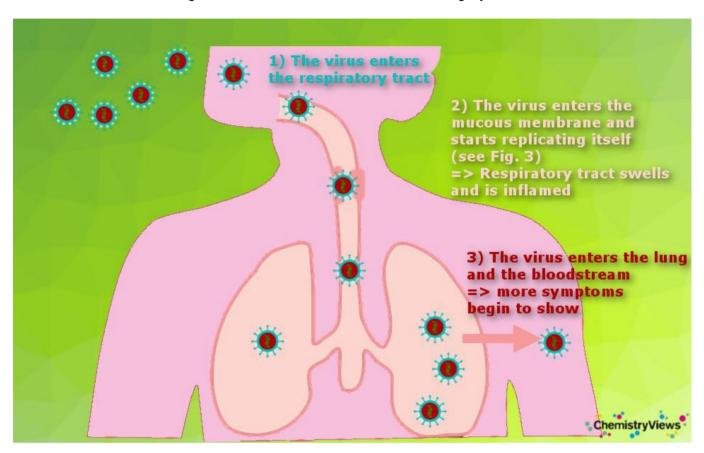
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#### How Does a Coronavirus Enter the Human Body?

The most commonly reported symptoms include fever, dry cough, and tiredness. Other symptoms include difficulty breathing, sputum production, runny nose, pneumonia, diarrhea. The disease in severe cases may ultimately lead to organ failure. Some cases are fatal. Symptoms may appear 2 to 14 days after exposure. Long-term consequences are unknown.

Older people and those with pre-existing medical conditions such as cardiovascular disease, chronic respiratory disease, or diabetes are at higher risk for severe disease. Women seem slightly less vulnerable than men.



#### What Does the Coronavirus Do in Humans?

Coronaviruses (CoV) are viruses with an RNA genome surrounded by a nucleocapsid of helical symmetry.

SARS-CoV-2, causing the current COVID-19 outbreak, shares a strong homology with its better-studied cousin SARS-CoV responsible for SARS (Severe Acute Respiratory Syndrome).

ACE2 receptors are found in ciliated epithelial cells in the upper and lower airway and in type II pneumocytes in the alveoli in the lower airway. Type II pneumocytes produce lung-lubricating proteins important for lung function.

Four proteins, the spike, 3CLpro, PLpro, and RdRp, are essential for the virus. Therefore, therapeutics targeting one of these proteins are currently being tested as a possible treatment for SARS-CoV-2. The SARS-CoV-2 spike is significantly different from the SARS-CoV spike, especially in two regions when binding to ACE2. Therefore, previously developed antibodies and therapeutic peptides for the SARS-CoV spike cannot be used for SARS-CoV-2.



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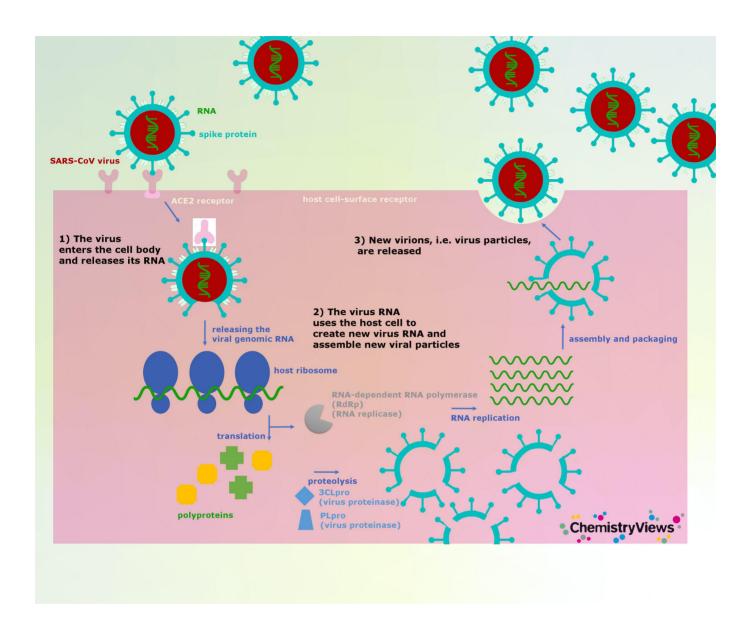
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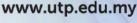




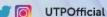










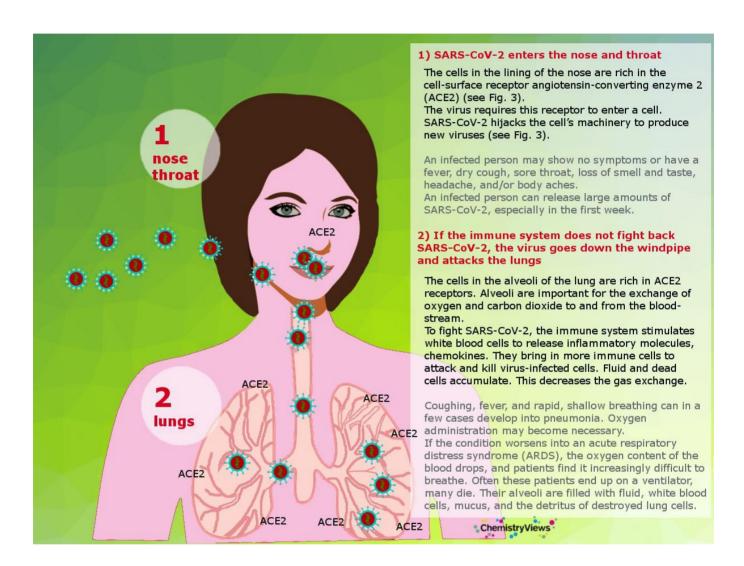


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#### Update: How Does a Coronavirus Enter the Human Body?

A lot has happened in research since the beginning of March. We have decided to update Figure 2.



According to the World Health Organization (WHO), most people who contract COVID-19 only experience mild flu-like symptoms. For severe cases, the main point of attack seems to be the lungs, but other organs are also affected by COVID-19. It is still unclear how. ACE2 receptors are also present in the neural cortex and brain stem, the lining of the heart and blood vessels, the kidneys, the lower gastrointestinal tract.

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#### **Federation of Asian Chemical Societies** 20th General Assembly [20GA] & 18th Asian Chemical Congress [18ACC] 2019

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The Federation of Asian Chemical Societies (FACS) held its 20th General Assembly (20GA) on 8th December 2019 while the 18th Asian Chemical Congress (18ACC) was organized from 8 - 12th December at the Taipei International Convention Center, Taipei, Taiwan.

#### **FACS 20GA**

Malaysia was represented by Datuk ChM Dr Soon Ting Kueh as the FACS Treasurer, Assoc Prof ChM Dr Edward Juan Joon Ching as the Representative from IKM and Datin ChM Dr Zuriati Zakaria, the FACS Citation Awardee 2019.

The 20GA, among many agenda items, approved the following:

- 1) The adoption of a new FACS Statute
- 2) Approval of a revised Operation Manual
- 3) Approval of new Fees for FACS Membership
- 4) Accepted the Membership application of the Chemical Society of Timor Leste
- 5) Selected Chemical Society of Thailand as the host of FACS 22nd General Assembly (22GA) & 20th Asian Chemical Congress (20ACC) in 2023 in Bangkok, Thailand



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FACS will be signing a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with the Royal Society of Chemistry (RSC) London on 10th December 2019. The MoU is for a period of two years. The 20GA also elected the following FACS Executive Committee for 2019 – 2021. IKM representative, Assoc Prof ChM Dr Juan Joon Ching was elected FACS Treasurer. Datuk ChM Dr Soon Ting Kueh retired from FACS EXCO after serving seven terms in the FACS EXCO since 2005. The 20GA adjourned at 5.00 pm to be followed with a 18ACC Welcome Reception.

#### **FACS 18ACC 2019**

The FACS 18th Asian Chemical Congress (18ACC) was organized by the Chemical Society Located at Taipei (CSLT) at the Taipei International Convention Centre, Taipei, Taiwan from 8 – 12th December 2019. The Opening Ceremony was held at 9.00 am on 9th December 2019 and at the Ceremony, Prof Reuben Hwu, FACS President, presented the following FACS Awards:

- ◆ FACS Foundation Lectureship Award 2019 to Prof Vivian W W Yan of Hong Kong
- FACS Distinguished Young Chemist Award 2019 to Prof Rei Kinjo of Singapore
- FACS Distinguished Contribution to Chemistry Education Award 2019 to Dr David Warren of New Zealand
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- ◆ FACS Citation Award 2019 to Datin ChM Dr Zuriati Zakaria of Malaysia.







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This was followed by a Plenary Lecture by Nobel Laureate Prof Yuan T Lee. After the break, Nobel Laureate Sir Prof J Fraser Stodhart delivered the 2nd Plenary Lecture. There were a total of 9 plenary lectures. The lecturers include Prof Qi-Feng Zhou, President of IUPAC, Prof Dr Bonnie A Charpentier, President of American Chemical Society (ACS), Prof Chi-Huey Wong, Past President of Academia Sinica, Dr Marinda L Wu, Past President of ACS and Prof W W Yam, FACS Foundation Lecture Awardee from University of Hong Kong. At the Presidential Symposium, Datuk ChM Dr Soon presented a lecture on "FACS: Forty Year of Advancing Chemistry in Asia and the Pacific".

Datin ChM Dr Zuriati also presented her FACS Citation Award 2019 Lecture on Technologies in Meeting the Sustainable Development Goals in a Tropical Climate. Assoc Prof ChM Dr Juan also made an oral presentation on Photocatalytic Activity of Mesoporous Material for Sustainable Wastewater Treatment.

On the evening of 9th December 2019, President Reuben Hwu hosted a Chairman's Dinner at The Grand Hotel Taipei for invited guests. On 10th December 2019, IKM hosted a dinner for our guests from Cambodia, Indonesia and the Philippines. The guests were treated to a sumptuous seafood steamboat dinner. A Culture Tour was organized for the overseas delegates on 11th December 2019.





The Gala Dinner & Celebration of 40th Anniversary of FACS was held at DEN WELL, Taipei for invited guests and conference participants. At this function, Datuk ChM Dr Soon presented a slide show on 40 Years of FACS. The Closing Ceremony of 18ACC was held on 12 December 2019 at 3.00 pm. The next FACS 21GA and 19ACC will be held in Istanbul, Turkey from 4 – 10th September 2021 to be hosted by the Turkish Chemical Society. All in all, close to 2,000 participants took part in 18ACC with about 650 coming from overseas. There were a total of about 850 presentations.

A report by:

Datuk ChM Dr Soon Ting Kueh Date: 30th December 2019 **BERITA IKM** March 2020 Issue No. 138

## 16<sup>th</sup> Pacific Polymer Conference 8th to 12th December 2019, Singapore

The 16th Pacific Polymer Conference (PPC16), a biennial international event, was held at the Suntec Singapore Convention and Exhibition Centre from 8<sup>th</sup> to 12<sup>th</sup> December 2019. 2019 marked the 30th year anniversary of the PPC, under the custody of the Council of the Pacific Polymer Federation (PPF), which has emerged as a leading international conference in polymer science and engineering.

The PPF is an active regional organization with primary focus of driving and synergizing efforts in polymer research and innovation. To date, PPF counts numerous scientific societies across 16 different countries bordering the Pacific Rim as its proud members. Since its inception in 1987, the PPF has grown rapidly into a renowned organization which provides multiple enabling platforms and opportunities to fulfil the ambitions of its members, as well as bridge international polymer research organizations for value addition.

The inaugural PPC was held in Maui (Hawaii). USA in 1989. Since then, the conference has been organized every 2 years by various Pacific Rim countries. The following is a list of the host countries and the venues of the various editions of the PPC:

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PPC-15 Xiamen, China (2017)

PPC-16 Singapore (2019)



Prof. Dr. Xiao Hu, organizing chair of PPC16 (left) and Prof. Ts. ChM. Dr. Chan Chin Han (right)

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Prof. Dr. Valentina Vladimirovna Vasilevskaya, Moscow State University, Russia (left) and Prof. Dr. Atsushi Kajiwara, Nara University of Education, Japan (center) – regular speakers for conferences organized by IKM over the years

PPC16 had the following symposia:

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- Polymer synthesis and characterization
- Polymer physics: structure, properties, and processing
- Polymer surfaces and interfaces
- Functional and self-assembled materials
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- ♦ Polymers in 3D/4D printing and additive manufacturing
- Polymers for biomedicine and personal care
- Polymers and the environment
- Polymers for optoelectronics, smart electronics and enerav
- Polymeric membranes: Innovations and applications
- Women in Polymer Science
- Cyber Physiochemical Interfaces: Flexible Electronics

Prof. Ts. ChM. Dr. Chan Chin Han from Faculty of Applied Sciences, Universiti Teknologi MARA (UiTM), council member of Institut Kimia Malaysia (IKM) presented one invited lecture entitled "Low frequency dielectric relaxation and conductance of polymer electrolytes of neat polymers and its blends". Prof. Dr. Ho Chee Cheong, from Universiti Tunku Abdul Rahman and council member of IKM, attended PPC16 Council Meeting. He is the IKM representative of the PPF Council. He presented his invited lecture entitled: "Interfacial phenomena underpin innovation in dipping of medical gloves".

Prepared by Prof ChM Ts Dr Chan Chin Han 16th December 2019



Prof. Dr. Ho Chee Cheong

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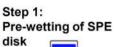
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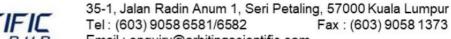
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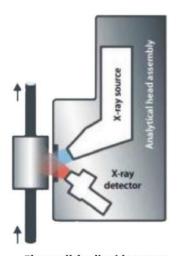


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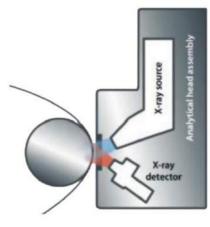
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## Importance of Quantification and Screening for PFAS Analysis

PFAS, or perfluoroalkyl substances, are a group of manmade chemicals that include PFOA, PFOS, and Gen-X.

United States Environmental Protection Agency (U.S. EPA) has published the Program Update February 2020¹ for their PFAS Action Plan which includes issuing groundwater cleanup guidance to propose a positive regulatory determination for both PFOA and PFOS.

Recent estimates suggest that there are at least 6,000 variants of polyfluorinated, linear and branched compounds.

Human exposure to PFAS compounds comes from a wide variety of sources including:

- food packaging materials
- commercial household products
- workplace environments such as the electronics industry
- · drinking water sources
- living organisms in which these substances have been shown to accumulate and persist over time



Reference: U.S. EPA website at epa.gov/pfas/epa-actions-address-pfas

Concern for perfluorinated organic compounds (PFCs) and PFAS have increased dramatically in recent years and the health risks are becoming well known across the globe.

For instance, PFAS compounds have been linked to:

- · low infant birth weight
- effects on the immune system
- cancer (for PFOA)
- thyroid hormone disruption (for PFOS)

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Speaking at the webinar are Matthew MacLennan, Ph.D., Senior Scientist and Director of LC/MS at Pacific Rim Laboratories based in British Columbia, Canada and Richard Jack, Ph.D., Senior Director of Vertical Marketing at Thermo Fisher Scientific.

This free on-demand webinar has attracted participants from around the world who are keen to learn about the following:

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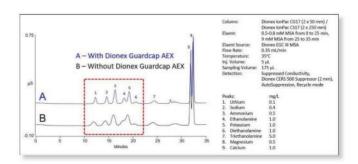


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An Induction Program of IKM was conducted at Hotel UiTM Penang on 11<sup>th</sup> January 2020 and was attended by 46 registered chemists. An outline of the program is as follows:

11:30 am – 12:30 pm: "The Roles and Functions of Institut Kimia Malaysia" Keynote Speaker: *Datin ChM Dr. Zuriati binti Zakaria* 

12:30 pm – 1:30 pm: "Chemist role and contribution in environmental sustainability" Invited Speaker: *ChM. Buvearasan a/l Muniandy* 

1:30 pm – 1:50 pm : Q&A and Concluding Remarks

1:50 pm - 3:00 pm : Lunch

Comments and recommendation received during lunch from participants are encouraging and commendable. Many requested that such a program / seminar is to be conducted at the Northern branch (covering Penang, Kedahard Partic) again.

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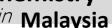


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IKM Terengganu Branch held its 24th AGM on 14th March 2020 at Paya Bunga Hotel, Kuala Terengganu. The AGM was chaired by ChM Teo Chook Kiong, Chairman of IKM Terengganu Branch. He welcomed IKM members with warm greeting and expressed his thanks to all IKM members, particularly the committee members' for their support and commitment towards to the success of IKMTB activities / programs in 2019.

Pre-AGM Talks were conducted by two speakers; ChM Mohd Sabri Yaacob on "Introduction to Asphalt Tipco" and Assoc. Prof ChM Dr Kamarul Ain Mustafa on "Enumbers". A total of 25 members attended and IKM President, Datuk ChM Dr Soon Ting Kueh, officiated the 24th AGM. During his opening speech, the President encouraged IKM members continue to play his/her role in promoting public understanding and appreciation of chemistry to the younger generation.

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IKM Perak Branch held its Annual General Meeting on the 14<sup>th</sup> of March 2020 at Kinta Riverfront Hotel, Ipoh. The dinner started at around 7.30 pm and at about 8.30 pm, a physiotherapist, Ms Khor Jai Ying who practises at Pantai Hospital Ipoh gave the attendees an informative talk on *Common Ergonomic Hazards: Neck and Back Pain*.

In her talk, Ms Khor told us the common causes and consequences of neck and back pain, which is mainly our posture when standing, lifting things, lying down and when sitting at the computer, using devices etc. She also told us how we can prevent neck and back pain mainly by improving our posture. These tips were very useful to the dinner attendees as most of the attendees had desk jobs which required long hours at a desk on the computer, or referring to their devices. The informative talk ended at around 9.10 pm.

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Our new Chairman, ChM Khairul Hadi Bin Haji Abd Raof presented Ms Khor with a token of appreciation for graciously attending and giving us this useful information. The dinner ended at around 9.15 pm.



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A Health Talk on Gastroesophageal Reflux Disease was held on 7 March 2020. The speaker was Dr Lim Huey Cheen, General Surgeon, Upper GIT, Bariatric Surgery from Regency Specialist Hospital Masai, Johor. A total of 31 people attended this talk.







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In conjunction with the 34<sup>th</sup> Annual General Meeting (7 Mac 2020), IKM Sarawak hosted a talk on "River Pollution and Conservation – Multisectorial Perspectives" by ChM Dr Lau Seng. ChM Dr Lau shared the overall findings from the Seminar on River Pollution and Conservation, a seminar jointly organized by IKM Sarawak with Natural Resources and Environment Board, (NREB) Sarawak, Department of Environment (DOE) and Universiti Malaysia Sarawak (UNIMAS) on 5 Mac 2020. ChM Dr Lau was the Organizing Chairman of the seminar. The talk covers the management of water resources in the country with specific focus on the status of rivers in Malaysia, the threats encountered, the conservative initiatives and the way forward. The talk was attended by 30 members and 7 non-members.



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### **IKM Perak Branch Outreach Programme**

The workshop on "Basic Laboratory Skills and Chemicals Management" was successfully co-organized with UTP and in collaboration with Kimia Perak on 21<sup>st</sup> October, 2019 at Universiti Teknologi PETRONAS. Fifty schools from nine Pejabat Pendidikan Daerah (PPDs) were invited for the program (Batang Padang, Manjung, Kerian, Kuala Kangsar, Hilir Perak, Larut/Matang/Selama, Perak Tengah, Kinta Utara and Kinta Selatan).

A total of thirty-one schools accepted the invitation and the total participants was fifty-nine. Feedback from participants on the programme was very encouraging. There were requests to conduct similar program in the future with more focus on laboratory skills.











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# Fun Chemistry Demonstration in conjunction with STEM Week at SMK Convent Bukit Nanas

Institut Kimia Malaysia (IKM) was invited to join chemistry sharing session at SMK Convent Bukit Nanas (CBN) in conjunction with STEM week from 24-28 Feb 2020. The event was held on 25 February 2020 at Dewan Perpaduan SMK CBN, starting from 8.00 am to 2.00pm for 890 students from SMK CBN. The team from Malaysian Young Chemists Network (MYCN) took part in this event by displaying Borax Bouncy Ball experiment. This event was led by Assoc. Prof. ChM Dr. Juan Joon Ching (MYCN Chairman) and Dr Lee Hwei Voon together with the MYCN member and postgraduate students from University of Malaya.







Some basic chemistry principles such as borax chemistry and it's uses; polymers and polymerization process; as well as observation on formation of polymer networks that relate to viscosity and elasticity characteristics were explained to the students. The bouncy borax ball is a polymer that is linked together by intramolecular covalent and intermolecular hydrogen bonds. When slight force is applied, it can stretch and bounce due to the elasticity of the polymers.

When stronger force is applied, the polymer chain disintegrates due to cleavage of hydrogen bonds. The students from SMK CBN enjoyed preparing their own borax ball. The hands-on demonstration allow them to understand the concept of polymerisation reaction between borax and Polyvinyl alcohol (PVA).

Prepared by ChM Dr Lee Hwei Voon







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