

# KUKUM - Research & Innovation Expo 2006



The R&D Unit with the cooperation of the office of Deputy Rector Research & Innovation and the Research Cluster Unit organized an expo on research & innovation, which was held on 9th November 2006. The event started with a seminar titled 'Maximizing Research Impact' by Assoc. Profesor Dr. Ahmad Farhan Sadullah from USM. The main purpose of organizing this expo was to select good and high potential research in KUKUM as a preparation to participate in a number of national and international research competitions in 2007. The organizing committee had also invited several experts from others institutions to aid in judging the research outputs.

There were 49 research outputs that were exhibited in the expo and an interesting fact is that the majority came from young researchers. More than half of the participants won medals comprising 2 gold, 8 silver and 16 bronze medals. The gold medals were won by Mr Murray Hunter; from the 'Sensor Technology and Applications' Cluster with his invention entitled 'An Integrated Essential Oil Extraction System' and Mr. Mohd Mustafa Al-Bakri Abdullah, from the 'Sustainable Engineering' cluster with his invention, 'Sound Cool Concrete Block'.

Assoc. Prof. Dr. Zul Azhar Zahid Jamal, Deputy Rector (R&I) presented certificates for winning entries during the closing ceremony. The expo was also covered by electronic and print press such as TV Pendidikan Perlis, RTM Perlis, Bernama, Utusan Malaysia and Kosmo. A press conference was also held immediately after the closing ceremony to further highlight the exposition aims and results.