



MOU Signing Ceremony between Universiti Malaysia Sabah, Malaysia, and Khon Kaen University

Universiti Malaysia Sabah (Malaysia) and Khon Kaen University (Thailand) met to strengthen academic ties and develop collaborative research.



On February 28 (2013), Associate Professor Dr. Kittichai Triratanasirichai, President of Khon Kaen University, Associate Professor Thawalwong Ratanasiri, Vice President for International Relations and Cooperative Strategy, Professor Pisake Lumbiganon, Dean of the Faculty of Medicine, Associate Professor Witoon Prasertcharoensuk, Associate Dean for International and Special Affairs, and staff from the Faculty of Medicine welcomed Professor Dr. S. Abd Ka-dir Omang, Deputy Vice Chancellor (for Academic and International), Professor Dr. D. Kamaruddin D. Mudin, Dean of the School of Medicine, Mr. Lugman R. Arman, Head of the Human Resources, Dr. Freddie Robinson, Deputy Dean School of Medicine (for Research and Postgraduate Affairs), Dr. Rajesh Kumar Muniandy, International Affairs and Networking Officer, Madam Justina John, Assistant Registrar (Academic Unit), School of Medicine and Mr. Herman Salah, Assistant Registrar of the Chancellery Office from Universiti Malaysia Sabah, MALAYSIA.

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Welcoming administrators from Kathmandu University, Nepal



An MOU between our two schools was signed in August of 2012. The current visit aimed to enhance academic cooperation and research collaborations. Two of the professors from Kathmandu University kindly presented a special lecture for the International Students Program at the Department of Community Medicine.

At the Nhong Waeng Meeting Room, February 26, 2013, **Associate Professor Witoon Prasertcharoensuk**, Associate Dean for International and Special Affairs, and Faculty staff, welcomed **Professor Ram KM Shrestha**, Vice Chancellor, **Professor Suresh Raj Sharma**, Founding Vice Chancellor, **Professor Panna Thapa**, Dean of the School of Science, and **Associate Professor Rajendra Koju**, Administrative Director from Kathmandu University, NEPAL.





Faculty of Medicine welcomes Professor Michael Lloyd Bentz, University of Wisconsin-Madison, USA



On February 1, 2013, **Professor Sopit Wongkham**, Associate Dean for Research Affairs greeted **Professor Michael Lloyd Bentz** (MD, FACS, FAAP) Professor of Surgery, Pediatric and Neurosurgery; Chairman, Division of Plastic Surgery; Vice Chairman Clinical Affairs, Department of Surgery, **University of Wisconsin-Madison, USA**. Dr. Bentz was a Visiting Professor at the Department of Surgery and delivered lectures on “**Pediatric and Craniofacial Plastic Surgery**” between January 28 and 31, 2013. Also in the picture are **Professor Bowornsilp Chowchuen**, Head of Plastic Surgery Unit, and staff from the Department.



Collaboration between the University of London and the our Department of Physiology



January 24, 2013 — **Professor Pisake Lumbiganon**, Dean of the Faculty, **Associate Professor Upa Kukongviriyapan**, Assistant Dean for Academic Affairs, **Associate Professor Wilaiwan Khrisanapant**, lecturer at the Department of Physiology, and **Assistant Professor Parichat Prachaney**, lecturer at the Department of Anatomy, welcomed **Professor Stephen E. Greenwald**, Professor of Cardiovascular Mechanics, **Barts & The London School of Medicine and Dentistry**, Queen Mary University of London. Professor

Greenwald is helping with academic and research collaborations in his role as an overseas visiting professor. He provided special lectures on, “**Non – invasive measurement of conduit arterial function**” and “**Ageing of large arteries and the effect on blood pressure and cardiovascular risk**”. Professor Greenwald is also facilitating for students who will attend an elective at Barts & The London School of Medicine and coordinating an MOU between our two schools.

Faculty of Medicine welcomes President of Youjiang Medical University for Nationalities



On January 22, 2013, at the See Than Meeting Room, on behalf of Dean Pisake Lumbiganon, **Associate Professor Witoon Prasertcharoensuk**, Associate Dean for International and Special Affairs, welcomed **Professor HUANG Cenhan**, President of Youjiang Medical University for Nationalities, PR China. Present were (1) **Dr. ZHAO Junyao**, Director of the Administration Office; (2) **Professor LI Xuebin**, Chief Physician, Vice Director of the Clinical College/Affiliated Hospital, Master Instructor; (3) **Professor HUANG Fangyan**, Dean of the Nursing School; (4) **Associate Professor WEI Xianggang**, Director of Foreign Affairs Office, Dean of International Education Faculty; and, (5) **Mr. LIN Shike**, lecturer. The delegation observed medical services at Srinagarind Hospital and activities at the Nursing Division, International Program for students from Guangxi University of Chinese Medicine, PR China, now in its 8th year. Discussions included plans for further collaborations with Youjiang Medical University for Nationalities.



Visit by Professor Hallgrimur Benediktsson, Global Health, University of Calgary, Canada



On January 14, 2013, Associate Professor Charnchai Panthongviriyakul, Director, Srinagarind (University) Hospital, and Associate Professor Supinda Koonmee, Head of the Pathology Department, welcomed Professor Hallgrimur Benediktsson, Assistant Dean, Global Health, University of Calgary, and lecturers from Lao PDR at the See Than Meeting Room. Discussions focused on medical services provided at Srinagarind Hospital and in Lao PDR and on the possibility of enhancing ties between our two institutions.



Welcoming administrators from Guangzhou University of Chinese Medicine, PR China



On January 7, 2013, Associate Professor Witoon Prasertcharoensuk, Associate Dean for International and Special Affairs, Mrs. Jintana Boonchan, Vice Director for Administration at Srinagarind Hospital, and staff, welcomed Professor XU Nenggui, Vice President, and administrators from Guangzhou University of Chinese Medicine, PR China, at the KaweeTungsubutr Meeting Room. The administrators from Guangzhou University of Chinese Medicine visited the Hospital to observe medical services and other activities there.



MOU Signing Ceremony between Arokhayasarn Khampramong Temple and the Faculty of Medicine, KKU



Khampramong Temple uses a holistic approach to treat the physical, emotional and spiritual needs of terminally ill patients. Care is free and Thai traditional herbal medicines are used.

On December 28, 2012, **Professor Pisake Lumbiganon**, Dean of the Faculty of Medicine, **Associate Professor Witoon Prasertcharoensuk**, Associate Dean for International and Special Affairs, **Associate Professor Songsak Kiatchoosakun**, Director of Queen Sirikit Heart Center of the Northeast, **Associate Professor Surapol Virasiri**, Associate Dean for Quality Improvement, and staff from the Faculty, welcomed **Phra Paponpatchara Pibanpaknatee**, Abbot of the Khampramong Temple, Phannanikom district, Sakonnakorn Province, including volunteers from the Temple.





The two Deans discussed highlights and progress of the longstanding collaboration between our two universities, both in academic and medical service. On this occasion, the team from Mie University visited the Department of Orthopaedics. The delegates from Mie University also toured Srinagarind Hospital, led by Associate Professor Witoon Prasertcharoensuk. The tour started at the main reception hall and included observation of both In-patient and Out-patient services, the treatment system, and medical instrument usage. This was followed by a campus tour and a tour of the city.

On December 22, 2012, the Mie delegates visited Ubolratana Hospital, where we have a learning center dedicated to sustainable community medicine based on the principles of economic self-sufficiency. In the afternoon, the delegates visited Khon Kaen Hospital, the main provincial hospital, which offers a full range of care.

At the Nong Waeng Meeting Room on December 21, 2012, **Professor Pisake Lumbiganon**, Dean, Faculty of Medicine, Khon Kaen University, **Associate Professor Witoon Prasertcharoensuk**, Associate Dean for International and Special Affairs, **Associate Professor Potchavit Aphinives**, Associate Dean for Planning and Development, and lecturers from the Faculty of Medicine, Khon Kaen University, welcomed **Professor Tsutomu Nobori**, Dean of Mie University's Faculty of Medicine and Professor in the Department of Molecular and Laboratory Medicine; **Dr. Keiji Nakai**, Deputy Director and Chief Physician of Kinan Hospital; **Professor Yuichi Kasai**, Department of Spinal Surgery and Medicine Engineering; and, **Mr. Yusuke Kojima**, Administrative Official.

