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Salam Sejahtera and greetings

Welcome everyone to yet another annual event of the 18th Dental Student's Scientific Conference, by the Faculty of Dentistry University of Malaya to showcase the research findings of our final year students.

As the Dean of the Faculty, I take enormous satisfaction that our undergraduates have had the opportunity to learn the process of research by undertaking elective projects, thereby enhancing their learning, that they may fully appreciate the intricate relationship between the ever-changing landscape of research, technology and oral health. The theme for this year, "Innovative Research for Dynamic Oral Health" is apt for the latest generation of young researchers, looking back at previous trends of research and adapting the latest technology trends to the changing pattern of oral health. I would like to congratulate the supervisors for their tremendous effort in guiding the students into putting what they learn about research into practice.

This event has been made possible through the enthusiasm, dedication and hard work of the organizing committee who have worked relentlessly for the past several months amid the numerous challenges faced.

Lastly, I wish the final year students all the best in translating your findings into best practices to address current oral health concerns. To all other participants, I sincerely hope that attending this conference will prove to be a valuable and enriching experience that will enhance your knowledge and experience of both laboratory-based and clinical research.