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Project Title

Elucidation of the inhibition mechanism and release kinetics of nanoemulsified Polygonum minus Huds. essential oil for functional food packaging

Funding Approved (RM) 172,800.00



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Project Title

Food insecurity, malnutrition and climate/weather variability among urban poor adolescents living in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia.

Funding Approved (RM) 131,650.00



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Project Title

Psychometric properties of Salt@home and Salt@shopping approaches for investigating dietary salt consumption and sources in the diets of urban-poor Malaysian population

Funding Approved (RM) 127,000.00



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Project Title

Evaluation of electric fields incorporated aqueous two-phase system for keratinase separation and bioconversion

Funding Approved (RM) 121,200.00



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Project Title

An Artificial Intelligence System for the Automated Detection of Diabetic Retinopathy using Machine Learning Algorithms and Complex Fuzzy Logic

Funding Approved (RM) 96,000.00



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Project Title

Expediting the mass adoption of Green Practices for Environmental and Economics Sustainability of Malaysian Agro-Entrepreneurs using Machine Learning Algorithms

Funding Approved (RM) 114,000.00



Assistant Professor Dr Ganesh A/L Ramasamy

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Project Title

A mix-method instrument for sustainable water conservation effort among generation Y in Malaysia: An approach of social cognitive theory

Funding Approved (RM) 91,250.00



Associate Professor Dr Cheah Shiau Chuen

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- Associate Professor Dr Wong Pooi Fong (University of Malaya)
- Heng Win Sen (University Medical Centre Groningen)

Project Title

Identifying the Signature Biomarker(s) of Early Metastasis Event in Nasopharyngeal Carcinoma using Heterotypic Multicellular Tumour Spheroid

Funding Approved (RM) 244,800.00



Assistant Professor Dr Normina Binti Ahmad Bustami

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Project Title

Prenatal exposure to heavy metals and its association with fetal growth, telomere length and DNA damage in newborns

Funding Approved (RM) 130,900.00



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- Professor Dr Abdul Latif Ahmad (Universiti Sains Malaysia)
- Professor Dr Lim Jit Kang (Universiti Sains Malaysia)
- Assistant Professor Dr Toh Pey Yi (Universiti Tunku Abdul Rahman)

Project Title

Evaluation of Hetero-Interfacial Interactions in Graphene/Conductive Polymer System Towards Sensitivity of a Flexible Sensor

Funding Approved (RM) 108,812.00



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Project Title

Robust Deep Learning-based Calibration for Data-Driven Spectroscopy

Funding Approved (RM) 67,200.00



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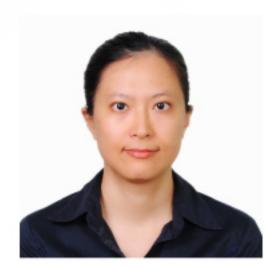
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Project Title

Meaning in Life and Optimism as Intervention for Happiness of Adolescent Delinquents in Juvenile Detention Center

Funding Approved (RM) 69,400.00



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- Associate Professor Dr Norhayati Binti Ibrahim (Universiti Kebangssan Malaysia)
- Professor Dr Lee E. Waters (University of Melbourne)
- Dr Uma Visvalingam (Hospital Putrajaya)

Project Title

Establishing a novel Family-Healthcare Stress Model: Does Strength-Based Parenting mediate between caregiver mental health and adolescent psychiatric patient outcomes?

Funding Approved (RM) 63,900.00