

## A resource for academia, industries and STI organisations

The 'Top Research Scientists Malaysia' initiative & database aims to recognise & showcase the accomplishments of Malaysian research scientists as role models of excellence, mentors to the next generation and leaders to forge ahead with the STI agenda of the nation.



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**TOP RESEARCH SCIENTISTS MALAYSIA**  
**TRSM**  
an Academy of Sciences Malaysia initiative

*Harnessing the Best Minds*

The Top Research Scientists Malaysia (TRSM) is an ASM initiative in line with its focus on fostering a culture of excellence in science, technology and innovation (STI). The initiative aims to identify and recognize the leading research scientists in Malaysia. The output of this initiative is a TRSM profile that would provide a centralized point of reference on leading scientists in Malaysia along with information on their research areas. The convention of the best minds in the country would create a hub for knowledge dissemination that can spur the growth of STI in Malaysia.

Malaysian research scientists contribute significantly to the economic growth of the nation via generation and dissemination of knowledge, wealth creation and the productive pursuit of scientific excellence for the benefit of humanity. In relation to this, the TRSM initiative intends to acknowledge their contributions and showcase the accomplishments of Malaysian research scientists as role models of excellence, mentors to the next generation and leaders to forge ahead with the STI agenda of the nation.

The accumulation of expertise through this initiative would simplify the process of identifying areas of need and interest to the country which subsequently allows the selection of the best candidate to pursue those areas. In addition, the TRSM list would serve as a gateway for the international scientific community, in particular academia, industries and international STI organizations that wish to seek top-notch STI expertise in Malaysia. The TRSM initiative would also be a good reference guide to facilitate nomination of outstanding Malaysian candidates for various national and international STI awards.

## Selection Criteria

### Privileges

- Facilitation by ASM for attachment to world-renowned research laboratories and centres of excellence by leveraging on ASM's international and national linkages
- International Fund Facilitation Programme (IFFP) to obtain international R&D grants
- Profiled in leading media
- Featured in STI databases as 'Top Research Scientists Malaysia' for promotion and positioning
- Featured in a book on 'Top Research Scientists Malaysia' to be published by ASM

The Top Research Scientists Malaysia (TRSM) will be selected through an objective and standardised scoring mechanism based on the following criteria:

- Knowledge Generation
- Knowledge Dissemination
- Impact of Research Output

## Eligibility

- The recognition is given to Malaysian research scientists working in Malaysia whose outstanding achievements in STI have been nationally and internationally recognised
- At the time of application, the candidate should be actively involved in research in the last 5 years with at least 10 years cumulative contribution towards the progress of STI
- Beginning 2015, ASM Fellows are not eligible to apply for the Top Research Scientists Malaysia

## Application

- Online application is open throughout the year at [www.mytopscientists.org](http://www.mytopscientists.org)
- Application closes on 30 June 2016

## Objectives

- To develop a list of leading research scientists
- To recognize and showcase top Malaysian research scientists as drivers of the national STI agenda
- To identify Malaysian research scientists with pioneer mindset to move the country forward in an innovation-led economy
- To build a critical mass of leading research scientists