

Mahidol University (Thailand)

TMDU PRESIDENT YOSHIZAWA and other professors visited Mahidol University in November 2017. Delegates from TMDU made a courtesy call on President Banchong, the new President of Mahidol University, and strengthened the relationship and cooperation between both institutions. Siriraj Hospital and TMDU mutually confirmed the outline of the Joint Degree Program (JDP) and agreed to launch JDP in 2020.

Also, they had a ceremony for opening a new office the "TMDU- MU Partnership Siriraj Office," which was established at Siriraj Hospital, Mahidol University. In December, Professor Prasit, Dean of the Faculty of Medicine of Siriraj

Hospital, and delegates visited TMDU. Our mutual understanding was even more promoted by discussing and exchanging ideas further on matters of JDP.



With President Banchong (at Salaya Campus)



The opening ceremony for the new office (at Siriraj Hospital)



Professor Prasit and President Yoshizawa (in front of the new office)



Professor Prasit and delegates from Mahidol University with Professor Tanaka (TMDU Executive Director) and the surgery team from TMDU (at TMDU)

Brazil-Japan Joint Symposium on Adhesive Dentistry 2017

THE BRAZIL-JAPAN Joint Symposium on Adhesive Dentistry 2007 was held on Oct. 31st to Nov. 1st at the University of Campinas, Piracicaba (UNICAMP), Sao Paulo, Brazil. This event was supported by the Japan Society for the Promotion of Science (JSPS) and the Sao Paulo Research Foundation (FAPESP). The coordinators for Japan and Brazil are Professor Junji Tagami (Cariology and Operative Dentistry, TMDU) and Professor Marcelo Giannini (UNICAMP). The purpose of this program was to encourage young researchers to share knowledge, experience and ideas in the research areas

stipulated in the call for proposals, to provide them with a career development opportunity, and to build networks for future collaborations among them that may lead to the development of new research areas.

A total of 304 researchers and clinicians, including 14 Japanese researchers from 6 Universities participated this workshop. From TMDU, Professor Tagami (coordinator), Dr. Toru Nikaide (mentor) and the three young researchers; Drs. Rena Takahashi, Takaaki Sato (excellent presentation award) and Juri Hayashi (excellent presentation award) joined the workshop.



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Japanese and Brazilian presenters of the Brazil-Japan Joint Symposium on Adhesive Dentistry 2017

Joint Degree Program (JDP) in Medicine with the University of Chile-A big Chance for an International PhD, Medical Specialties and Clinical Experience Abroad

IN 2015, TMDU was approved to start JDP courses with the University of Chile (UCh), which was established in 1842 and is one of the most historic and renowned universities in Latin America. JDP students join in collaborative research work in Japan and Chile and consequently achieve a Ph.D. degree accredited by TMDU and UCh, as a "Joint Degree". This is the first trial in Japan to begin this kind of collaborative project. The students can earn not only an international diploma, but also medical specialties in Upper Digestive Surgery, Colorectal Surgery or Gastroenterology.

In 2016, the first student from UCh, Dr. Diego Zamorano, enrolled in a Colorectal Surgery course, and has already start-

ed to learn in class and clinical training. Moreover, this year, two more doctors entered the JDP scheme, Dr. Yuriko Matsumiya from TMDU, and Dr. Rafael Zanabria from UCh, who are also preparing their investigations and clinical activities.

The committee members of JDP from TMDU and UCh frequently visit each other to have direct talks on improving the program, in addition to a monthly meeting via teleconference.

In November, TMDU and UCh professors gathered at the "Joint Workshop 2017" at TMDU. Experts from both universities made wonderful presentations in each field, followed by meaningful discussions with the participants.



Paying a courtesy call on President Yoshizawa



President Yoshizawa and Dr. Matsumiya (JDP student from TMDU)



Joint meeting at UCh, Santiago

Joint Degree Program (JDP) in Dentistry between Chulalongkorn University and TMDU

FOR THE 2ND year of the Joint Degree Program (JDP) in Dentistry between Chulalongkorn University (CU) and TMDU, which was launched in August 2016, three Thai students (out of six competitive applicants) were newly matriculated after a strict admission examination. In October, Prof. Ono and Prof. Moriyama held a freshman orientation for them and introduced actual activities through the program and talked about research life at TMDU.

Another three students who were enrolled in the program a year ago passed the qualifying examination and successfully

advanced to the 2nd year of the 5-year program. For the 2nd year, they will spend a whole academic year at TMDU to pursue their study and research work either in the labs at the Department of Orthodontic Science or at the Department of Maxillofacial Orthognathics.

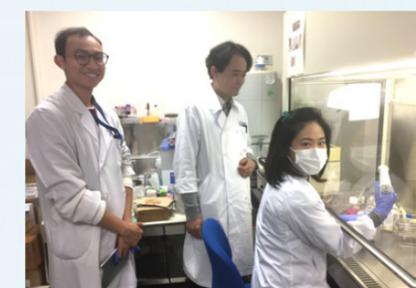
After accomplishing the very first academic year of the program, from August 2016 to July 2017, the Liaison council, self/external assessment, and faculty development seminar will be held in February 2018 and will expect to enhance the program through multilateral reviewing.



Newly enrolled students with Prof. Ono and Visiting Assist. Prof. Issareeya



Prof. Moriyama with students after the freshman orientation



Research work at Department of Maxillofacial Orthognathics