

## 10th BRI Postgraduate Seminar 2012

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The 10th BRI Postgraduate Seminar was successfully held on the 28th and 29th of June 2012 at the BRI's auditorium. This was the second BRI Postgraduate Seminar held this year, which marks the continuation of BRI's decision to organize the seminar on a bi-annually basis.

The seminar provided BRI's students a platform to showcase their research findings in the field of biotechnology as well as provide an opportunity to enrich their skills and self-confidence through oral presentations. Postgraduate students of BRI were evaluated based on their research knowledge, research methodology, organization and presentation of data as well as ability to address research questions with scientifically sound arguments. In addition to that, students' soft skills such as language, voice, body language and personal attire were also observed. A total of 23 presenters comprising of 19 MSc., 1 MPhil. and 3 PhD. students were involved in the oral presentation. The seminar was officiated by Assoc. Prof. Dr. Ho Chong Mun, Deputy Dean for Centre of Postgraduate Studies (Academic & International). Dr. Ho in his opening remarks emphasized that students should take the seminar as an opportunity to improve their presentation skills and at the same time utilize the feedback given by the evaluators to further improve their research outputs. The two-day event was vibrant, interactive and informative as students competed among themselves for the Best Presenter award. BRI's Acting Director, Assoc. Prof. Dr. Vijay Kumar commended the organizing committee of the 10th BRI Postgraduate Seminar for working together to hold another successful postgraduate seminar. According to him, the students' performance has improved tremendously compared to last year and many were highly confident during the oral presentation and were able to answer questions raised by the audience competently. The Best Presenter award was awarded to Mr. Ahmad Zaidi Tani a final year MSc. candidate and the three runner-ups were Mr. Yew Chee Wei (PhD.), Ms. Jenny Teo Kim Chee (MSc.) and Mr. Ahmad Mukhlis Abdul Rahman (MSc.).



Photo session with CPS Deputy Dean, BRI staffs and students



Assoc. Prof. Dr. Ho Chong Mun receiving a token of appreciation from Assoc. Prof. Dr. Vijay Kumar



Mr. Yew Chee Wei receiving the award (Runner-up) from Assoc. Prof. Dr. Vijay Kumar, Acting Director of BRI







