

15 UMS scientists ranked among world's top two pct

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KOTA KINABALU: Universiti Malaysia Sabah (UMS) has once again made the state proud after 15 of its scientists were named among the World's Top 2% Scientists for 2025 — a prestigious international recognition published by Stanford University in collaboration with Elsevier.

According to UMS, 14 of its researchers were listed in the Single Year Citation Impact category for 2024, while six others appeared in the Career-Long Citation Impact category. Several

outstanding academics made it into both lists, bringing the total number of recipients to 15.

UMS Vice-Chancellor Prof Datuk Dr Kasim Hj Mansor described the milestone as proof that the university is on par with the world's leading research institutions.

"We are extremely proud of this achievement. It proves that UMS scientists are on par with the world's best researchers, demonstrating that knowledge and innovation from Borneo

can contribute to solving global challenges," he said in a statement here on Tuesday.

Prof Kasim said the recognition is not merely an international accolade but also a catalyst to strengthen collaborations at various levels.

He noted that locally, UMS would continue working with communities, government agencies and industries in Sabah and across Malaysia.

"At the Borneo regional level, UMS aims to strengthen its

network with academic partners in Sarawak, Brunei and Kalimantan. Globally, our main focus is to build collaborations with universities and international organisations in research, academic mobility and innovation.

"This success is just the beginning. With expertise across various fields, UMS will continue to serve as a bridge of knowledge between Sabah, Borneo and the world," he added.

Among those listed under the Single Year Citation Impact

category are Prof Dr Hanudin Amin, Dr Teo Siow Hwa, Prof Dr Jason Teo Tze Wi, Prof Ts Dr Zainul Amiruddin Zakaria and Assoc Prof Dr Christophe Patrice Andie Wiart. Also recognised were Prof Dr Md Shafiquzzaman Siddiquee, Dr Noora Barzkar, Assoc Prof Ts Dr Rovina Kobun, Prof Ir Dr Rosalam Hj Sarbatly, Prof Dr Md Lutfor Rahman, Assoc Prof Dr Shigeharu Sato, Prof Ts Dr Uda Hashim, Prof Dr Rayner Alfred and Dr Nurul Elyani Mohamad.

Meanwhile, those listed in the

Career-Long Citation Impact category include Prof Ts Dr Zainul Amiruddin Zakaria, Assoc Prof Dr Christophe Patrice Andie Wiart, Prof Dr Jason Teo Tze Wi, Prof Dr Md Shafiquzzaman Siddiquee, Prof Ir Dr Rosalam Hj Sarbatly and Prof Dr Md Lutfor Rahman. Prof Kasim said the international recognition further strengthens UMS' reputation as the "Brain of Borneo", in line with its mission to elevate research and innovation from the region to the global stage.