

# Collaborating to enrich knowledge

BP Food Testing Sdn Bhd (BPFT), a subsidiary of BP Healthcare Group, signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with Universiti Putra Malaysia (UPM) during a ceremony at UPM recently. BP Food Testing Sdn Bhd director Joevy Beh signed the MoU with UPM vice-chancellor Datuk Mohd Fauzan Hj Ramlan. The ceremony was also attended by BP Healthcare Group chairman Datuk Beh Chun Chuan, group executive director Chevy Beh and UPM dean Professor Mohd Yazid Abd Manap.

The MoU was signed with the

purpose of fostering collaboration between both parties, and as such, three main agendas have been agreed upon:

- ▶ Analysis of food testing results will be conducted by BPFT.
- ▶ A student internship programme has been established whereby UPM students will be sent to BPFT for internship and training opportunities.
- ▶ UPM's Science and Food Technology Faculty staff will provide consultancy services for BPFT and vice versa on issues such as commercialisation of services. The MoU will be valid for a

period of two years, with an option of extending the partnership for a further one year. Both UPM and BPFT hope this collaboration will pioneer a new level of cooperation between their organisations and serve as a catalyst for further programmes together.

BP Healthcare remarked that they are proud to be collaborating with UPM to not only train and equip future graduates with the skills essential for the working world, but also to allow knowledge transfer through the sharing of consultancy services from both sides.



Fruitful venture... (from left) Mohd Yazid, Mohd Fauzan, Beh, Joevy and Chevy at the signing ceremony.