Rejuvenating scientific culture in Indonesian medical physicists and biophysicists: the role of Journal of Medical Physics and Biophysics

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In seek of the improvement in medical physics and biophysics, scientific culture must be present and expressed in the form of research. But beforehand, there must be an effort to make such media available. Therefore, two years after the birth of the Indonesian Association of Physicists in Medicine, we initiated our very first annual scientific meeting held in Depok, Indonesia, in August 2017. Hosted by Universitas Indonesia, AIPFMI and AFISMI, the meeting welcomed 51 manuscripts presented orally, and the Journal of Medical Physics and Biophysics (JMPB) received the honor of being the official scientific publication media for the meeting besides its official proceeding. The success of the meeting includes being attended and participated by 179 participants from 94 institutions (104 academic, 58 clinical, and 17 others) from all over Indonesia. The meeting was honored by Prof. Dale Bailey (University of Sydney), Prof. Djarwani Soejoko (Universitas Indonesia), Suhartati (Ministry of Health), Dr. Akhiruddin Maddu and Dr. Hafiz Zin (Universiti Sains Malaysia) as the keynote speakers.

In total, 20 manuscripts were accepted for publication in JMPB from the meeting, covering 6 papers in radiotherapy, 9 papers in diagnostic and interventional radiology, as well as 5 papers from biophysics track. All papers will be published in multiple issues of the journal starting from this back-issue of August 2017. The association, in turn, plays its part by awarding extra CPD credits for member with papers accepted in JMPB.

We are more than delighted to observe how JMPB can take part on this major step of scientific culture rejuvenation, and we oversee a wider definition of JMPB's contribution in the future. Furthermore, I invite scientists to submit their works to JMPB and take this opportunity to contribute on our lively scientific rejuvenation.

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