

## Agilent, Monash University collaborate to build Malaysia Integrated Biology Centre

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## To accelerate biology research over the next three years



Agilent Technologies has entered a new strategic partnership with Monash University Malaysia (Monash) to build a Malaysia integrated biology centre. Through the integrated laboratory, Agilent will build local research capabilities, host scientists across Malaysia, and provide greater research outcomes.

As part of the partnership agreement, over the next three years, Agilent and Monash will combine their respective strengths in analytical techniques and biomedical knowledge to accelerate science R&D. The R&D environments will provide analytical expertise for small and large molecules, and advance scientific knowledge on the development of anti-venom as well as other areas of applied biology research.

Sharing insights in University's strategic plan, Impact 2030, Professor Matthew Nicholson, President and Pro Vice-Chancellor of Monash University Malaysia, said "with Impact 2030, the University aims to contribute actively to addressing the global challenges and is committed to establish an integrated biology centre here in the heart of ASEAN'.

Commenting on the partnership, Chai Meng Fee, Malaysia general manager of Agilent, said, "This collaboration reflects Agilent's commitment to raising local science R&D capabilities and delivering advanced analytical solutions".

Over the last 20 years in Malaysia, Agilent has expanded into a 200,000 sq ft facility in Penang with more than 630 skilled scientists, engineers, and employees. The site hosts instrument manufacturing, a global instrument design centre, a biochemical reliability lab, and a global supply chain hub. The company has made significant contributions with ongoing academia, government, and industry collaborations, positioning Malaysia as a beacon of innovation.