## **BiRDI'S SCHOLARSHIP HARVEST**

Since January 2014 up to now (July 2014), staff and alumni of Biotechnology Research and Development Institute has achieved excellent performances with 20 Master and PhD scholarships from America, Belgium, Japan, Korea, Thailand. Among of them, two lecturers are Mr. Huynh Xuan Phong and Mrs. Tran Thi Giang getting a doctoral scholarship from Khon Kaen University, Thailand and Mr. Pham Hong Quang, who graduated from Advanced Biotechnology Class (ABC) course 32, getting a scholarship for Master of Molecular Biology at Vrije Universiteit Brussel, Belgium.

The alumni going to study abroad also come from Advanced Biotechnology courses 33, 34, 35. Especially, there are two excellent alumni will be trained directly for the doctoral degrees. They are Vo Ngoc Thao Nguyen (Courses 34) with the scholarship for studying Cell and Molecular Biology at University of Arkansas, USA and Nguyen Thi Ngoc Diep (Courses 34) wih the scholarship for studying Chemical Engineering, Kyung Hee University, Korea. Besides, other Master scholarships belong to:

- Nguyen Thi Mai Dan (ABC C34), Biological Chemistry and Biotechnology, The University of Tokyo, Japan;



*Picture 1: Mai Dan with Japanese professors* Tran Non Nuoc (ABC C32), Molecular Medicine, Chonnam University, Korea;



Picture 2: Tran Non Nuoc at Chonnam University, Korea.

- Nguyen Cong Danh (ABC C34), Plant Functional Genomics, Kyung Hee University, Korea;



Picture 3: Cong Danh at Kyung hee University, Korea.

 Nguyen Nhat Nam (ABC C34), Biomedical, Gachon University of Medicine and Scienes, Korea;



Picture 4: Nhat Nam at Gachon University

- Tran Buu Minh and Nguyen Thi Phuong Oanh (ABC C35), Bionano, Gachon University, Korea;
- Pham Minh Tu (ABC C34), Molecular Virology, Hallym University, Korea;
- Nguyen Dan Van (ABC C34), Biotechnology, Khon Kaen University, Thailand;
- Nguyen Minh Đoi, Nguyen Huu Tuong (ABC C34), Phan Le Bao Ngoc (ABC C35), Food Technology, Khon Kaen University, Thailand;



Picture 5: Dan Van, Huu Tuong, Minh Doi, Huynh Nhu, Bao Ngoc participated to Khon Kaen's festival.

- Lam Tien Nga (ABC C33), Biotechnology, Kasetsart University, Thailand;
- Nguyen Thi Huynh Nhu (ABC C34), Biological Science, Khon Kaen University, Thailand;
- Tran Nguyen Nhat Khoa (ABC C34), Tropical Agriculture, National Pingtung University of Science and Technology, Taiwan;
- Nguyen Huynh Quang Dieu (ABC C35), Material Science and Engineering, National Taiwan University of Science and Technology, Taiwan;

Mr Pham Hong Quang shared: "Studying in the Advanced Biotechnology class properly helped me establish a certain foundation of basic knowledge through the beginning as well as specific courses. Moreover, improving English is also an important factor for catching scholarships."

All in all, the achievements mentioned above have contributed to the pride and strong encouragement to all members belonging to Biotechnology Research and Development Institute. From that, staffs and students who are presently working and studying in our Institute will try their best to record more achievements in future.

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