MESSAGE FROM THE CHIEF GUEST

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Research projects have been a significant component of the undergraduate medical curriculum at Peradeniya for many decades. But in the past, only a selected few of these projects were officially presented or documented.

However, in 2022, the Peradeniya Medical School

Annual Research Conference, "PEMSARC", was initiated by the faculty, to enable all the students to share their research findings with a discerning audience. This is a great gift to the medical students at Peradeniya as the work of every one of them, will be heard, appreciated, and documented.

Initially, a medical student-centered event for Peradeniya medical students, PEMSARC is now more inclusive enabling the participation of scientists from all levels of academia.

I congratulate the pioneers of this event and those who strive to sustain it. I extend my best wishes to the organizers and participants of the PEMSARC 24.

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