In Memory of Prof. Syed Mohsin Syed Sahil Jamalullail (1951-2011)

Syed Mohsin Syed Sahil Jamalullail was a lecturer in health sciences for more than 20 years and was one of the founding members of the School of Health Sciences, Universiti Sains Malaysia (USM). He served as Deputy Dean of the Academic & Student Development, School of Health Sciences for five years (2001-2005) and was promoted as the first Dean of the Biomedical & Health Sciences Research Platform since 2006 until his sudden demise.

Professor Syed Mohsin received his BSc degree from Monash University of Australia, MSc degree in Pharmacology from the University of Melbourne and his Doctor in Medical Science (D.Med.S) from School of Medicine, Kitasato University, Japan. He joined Universiti Kebangsaan Malaysia (UKM) in 1974 before continuing his academic service at USM in 1979 as a lecturer in Pharmacology. He retired as a USM professor in 2007 and was immediately reappointed by USM Senate to further serve the University.

Universiti Sains Malaysia recognized the contributions of Professor Syed Mohsin by appointing him as a member of USM Senate and chairperson of numerous decision-making committees. In the year 2005, Professor Syed Mohsin was awarded the Panglima Setia Kelantan (PSK) by DYMM Sultan of Kelantan. At the national level, he served for many years as the panel member of Malaysian Qualifications Agency. In the field of research, he participated actively as a member of the editorial and advisory board of Biomedical and Pharmacology Journal; appointed as Editor-in-Chief of Health and Environment Journal (HEJ), School of Health Sciences; and published extensively in the field of pharmacology. Professor Syed Mohsin also excelled in football, badminton and shooting; and was elected as the vice president of USM Health Campus Golf Club until his demise. Professor Syed Mohsin Syed Sahil Jamalullail also won several awards related to his publications and research products; appointed as a consultant for several companies and was on honorary member in numerous professional societies. Based on his significant contribution at local, national and international levels, he was nominated by The International Biographical Centre (IBC), Great Britain as one of the top 100 health professional of 2011.

USM community has lost an academician par excellence and a kind man who never failed to see the potential in everyone he met. He will be dearly missed by his loved ones and those whom he had taught, counseled, supported and befriended.