

# UGM Launches Gama-CHA

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JAKARTA - Universitas Gadjah Mada has launched one research finding in the form of human bone engineering that is named as Gama-CHA. Developed by a lecturer in Faculty of Dentistry, drg. Ika Dewi Ana, Ph.D., the tool has undergone laboratory and clinical tests and registered at the Health Ministry for mass production by Kimia Farma pharmacist. The launching is done in Borobudur Hotel, Jakarta, on Monday (18/8), attended by State Owned Enterprise Minister, Dahlan Iskan; Deputy Minister, Ali Ghufron Mukti; and Director of Kimia Farma, Rusdi Rosman.

Ika Dewi Ana said to journalists after the launching on her welcoming the announcement of the mass production of her research that had last for years. She hopes this would minimise dependency on imported products.

Ika said the Gama-CHA enables dentists to use it in the therapy to quicken the growth of lost bones without having to take other healthy bones from the human body.

The CHA technology can also improve jaws after tooth extraction and wound healing in bone tissue as the Gama-CHA contains carbonat, cristalinity, and polymer contents that are adjusted to bone composition.

State Owned Enterprises Minister Dahlan Iskan appreciated Ika Dewi Ana that can turn her research into a useful product for society. According to Dahlan, no less important is the increasing number of medicines and health products coming out of campuses can reduce dependency on imported products.



Deputy Health Minister, Ali Ghufron Mukti, also welcomed the product, adding that people very much need medicines and health products after the implementation of National Health Security.

Vice Rector for Cooperation and Alumni, Prof. Dr. Dwikorita Karnawati, M.Sc., Ph.D, currently there are 8 research products of UGM ready to be marketed. UGM work in partnership with the industry for mass production of those products. By working with partners and the industry, UGM research products can be used by society.

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