

Rebirth of HKI Publications: PICS & JICS

In 1980's, Himpunan Kimia Indonesia (HKI) or Indonesian Chemical Society published one journal in Bahasa Indonesia (Indonesian language). But the journal was discontinued in 1990's. The death of the journal was followed by the interruption of the annual HKI national conferences for all fields of chemistry. In 2002, HKI attempted to restart its annual conferences, *Seminar Nasional HKI* (SNHKI), in Bandung, West Java, and then in Malang, East Java, in 2003. In the following 2 years, 2004 and 2005, no national conferences were conducted by HKI, but in 2006 to 2011, SNHKI were held in Bogor (West Java), Depok (West Java), Denpasar (Bali), Jakarta, Makassar (South Sulawesi), and Pekanbaru (Riau), respectively. In 2006, HKI also started to republished scientific journals, i.e. *Jurnal Kimia Indonesia* (JKI) in Bahasa Indonesia, and *Journal of the Indonesian Chemical Society* (JICS) in English. However, while the annual conferences survive until now, JKI only published for four issues, and JICS only published once.

After SNHKI-2011 in Pekanbaru, Riau, the following HKI annual conferences were held in Malang (East Java), Yogyakarta, Ambon (Maluku), Medan (North Sumatera), Samarinda (East Kalimantan), Palembang (South Sumatera), and lastly Jayapura (Papua) in 2018. However, starting from 2012, SNHKI changed its name to ICICS (International Conference of the Indonesian Chemical Society). This year, ICICS-2019 will be held in Bogor, West Java.

This year, HKI will start again its flagship publication, *Journal of the Indonesian Chemical Society* (J. Idn. Chem. Soc. or JICS). The first issue will be published in August 2019, and then in December, April, and so on. In the same year, HKI also starts *Proceeding of the Indonesian Chemical Society* (Proc. Idn. Chem. Soc. or PICS), so that Indonesian scientists will have various publications to give them more chances to grow in stages, until they can share their result results in more reputed journals. PICS will publish selected articles from HKI conferences, while JICS will have higher priority to accept the best article from HKI conferences, as well as through open submission from researchers other than HKI conference participants.

This is the first issue of PICS, containing 8 articles from HKI past conference that have not been yet published in other publications. In this issue, readers will find 8 articles represent the development of some fields of chemistry in Indonesia, i.e. Analytical Chemistry, Organic Chemistry, and Biochemistry, predominantly related to organisms in Indonesia and the region, with some flavors toward Protium javanicum Burm exploration, organic synthesis, Typhoid recombinant vaccine, green synthesis in nanochemistry, medicinal chemistry, biocatalysis for industry, multi-chromatogram approach, and nitrous oxide sensor.

With this publication, and then *Journal of the Indonesian Chemical Society* that will be published in the next 2 months, we hope that research in chemistry and related-fields, will contribute more actively to the advancement of science in Indonesia, and in the region.

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