A partnership with Proton would be a favourable venture since Proton planned to introduce its electric car next year. Proton was now waiting for the government’s nod and support before going ahead with the project.

As the biggest car manufacturer in Malaysia, Proton was in the driver’s seat, taking the lead in research and development including producing a green energy car.

With its 8,000-strong engineers, Proton was confident that it could be a leader in the automotive sector for the next 10 years.

In reciprocating the potential business-academia links, UMP agreed to provide the support and would stay committed in its role of producing competent and efficient graduates for the job market. They would be the next engineers for Proton.

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**ANTI-HYSTERIA KIT LAUNCHED**

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Putrajaya, April 30 – Universiti Malaysia Pahang (UMP) continues to give the support and space for its researchers to work on their scientific researches that will not only have high impact on the university but also findings that can benefit the society.

One of the researches involved was an anti-hysteria kit, a product created following studies conducted by Centre of Modern Languages and Human Sciences lecturer and Centre of Islamic and Human Development Director Dr. Mahyuddin Ismail.

It was an upgraded version of the old methods and techniques used to treat the condition. He introduced techniques and methods of treatment that uses tangible and more user-friendly items such as pepper spray and formic acid.

The launching of the kit was held in conjunction with the official opening of a seminar, ‘Tackling Hysteria as Easy as ABC’ by Malaysia Education Director Raihana Khudri, who represented the ministry’s Higher Education Department Director General Prof. Dato’ Dr. Asma Ismail.

It was held at the ministry’s Zaaba Hall in Putrajaya.

Among the participants were school teachers, lecturers, counsellors and psychology officers. They also shared their experience in tackling hysteria.