NUS best university for medicine in Asia

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THE National University of Singapore (NUS) has topped the charts as the best university for medicine in Asia, in the new Quacquarelli Symonds (QS) World University Rankings by Subject for Life Sciences and Medicine.

NUS was ranked 18th globally. The rankings looked at universities worldwide, based on their academic reputation, employer reputation and research citations.

NUS was also placed 22nd for Psychology and 28th for Biological Sciences.

Dean of NUS Yong Loo Lin School of Medicine Professor John Wong, who is also deputy chief executive of the National University Health System, said that he is honoured for the school to be ranked among the top medical schools in Asia.

He said: "We are privileged to be recognised for the impact that our great faculty and students have made, and continue to make, in our common vision of doing our very best, be it in patient care, education, or research."

Topping the worldwide charts for medicine is Harvard University, followed by University of Cambridge and Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

NUS deputy president (academic affairs) and provost Professor Tan Eng Chye said that they are delighted to have once again been placed among the best universities in Asia, and the world.

"With the continued support of our outstanding faculty, staff and students, NUS is well-poised to ensure that our education and research continue to be at the cutting edge, as well as locally and globally relevant."

NUS has also performed well for other sets of rankings. The university was placed seventh globally for civil and structural engineering, 10th for chemical engineering, and 12th for computer science and information systems.