

## New treatment for superbugs discovered?

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**PETALING JAYA:** Malaysian doctorate student Lam Shu Jie (*pix*) was ecstatic to know that the public is interested in the potential of her medical research.



The 25-year-old Johorean, who is based with a 10-person team of researchers at the Melbourne School of Engineering, may have discovered a new treatment for the antibiotic-resistant bacteria known as "superbugs".

The method uses star-shaped structures called structurally nano-engineered antimicrobial peptide polymers (Snapps), which meant it was very effective as it did not hurt healthy cells, she told *theSun* yesterday.

She says it is important for her to have outside interests due to the long hours of research work and the possibility of failure.

"I've just watched the Korean movie called *Train to Busan*. I also like trying new cuisines and exploring cafes here because the food culture's very strong," she laughed. She lamented that the initial experiments were daunting, which left her in fear. "My experiments kept failing, but later I learned what went wrong. I like the investigating part of research. It's beyond being in the labs or reading books and also allows me to speak with other experts," she said. The second child of three siblings still has strong ties with home.

"I try to come back for Chinese New Year each year because I miss my family."

# MyHero Award 2.0 winner's 1Malaysia spirit

> Businessman raises 11 adopted children of various races

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**PETALING JAYA:** Raising one adopted child may already be too much of a task for many, but not for MyHero Award 2.0 winner Tan Bee Seng (*pix*).

The 67-year-old businessman who adopted 11 children of different races took the "One Malaysia" spirit to another level by raising them under one roof in his home in Kuantan.

Tan, who is married with one child, decided to adopt children from the 1970s onwards with his eleventh and last child being adopted in 1994.

Tan made sure that all his children were given the opportunity to excel in education and they have grown up to be successful people today.

"All my adopted children received the same love and also studied in Chinese schools," he said, adding that they are able to communicate fluently in Mandarin.

He said he did not stop any of his adopted children from finding their biological parents which some of them did. "I will not stop them from getting back together with their biological families, and will continue to give them my support," he added.

Tan attributed his efforts for making



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the world a better place to the advice of his now 95-year-old mother, who encouraged him to make a contribution to society.

Living in a diversified family has enabled him to learn about the unique personalities and strengths of other races.

Admitting that it was not an easy task to raise the big family as he had to spend a lot monthly, his perseverance and commitment allowed him to strive against all odds.

Tan expressed his willingness to adopt another child in future if his health permitted.

On receiving the MyHero Award 2.0,

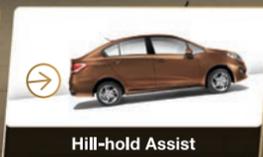
which came with a trophy, certificate and RM5,000 on Sept 6, Tan was appointed a National Unity Ambassador by Minister in the Prime Minister's Department Tan Sri Joseph Kurup.

Tan promised to continue to play his role in enhancing national unity and inspiring Malaysians through his story.

The award, which is jointly organised by the Chinese Chamber of Commerce and Industry of Kuala Lumpur and Selangor (KLSCCI) and *Nanyang Siang Pau*, is supported by the National Unity and Integration Department, The Associated Chinese Chambers of Commerce and Industry of Malaysia (ACCCIM) with corporate partner Sunsuria Bhd and prestige sponsor Bank of China.

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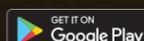
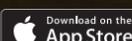
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