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January 07, 2026

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UP BIOCHEMISTRY SOCIETY WEEK

1. With reference to the request letter of MIN KYUNG LEE, Vice President for External Affairs, 2025-26 UP Biochemistry Society, this office announces the invitation to the BCS Week Celebration also known as Haykpanayan 2026
2. Participation in this activity is voluntary and shall be subject to the provisions of DepEd Order 9, s. 2005 "Instituting Measures to Increase Engaged Time-On-Task and Ensuring Compliance Therewith."
3. For details and information, please contact:

UP Biochemistry Society
Email Address: externals.upbcs@gmail.com
4. For information and appropriate action.



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[UP Biochemistry Society Week] DepEd Region IV-A Endorsement for Haykapnayan 2026

1 message

UP Biochemistry Society Externals Committee <externals.upbcs@gmail.com>

Sat, Nov 15, 2025 at 8:00 AM

To: region4a@deped.gov.ph

Bcc: imus.city@deped.gov.ph

Greetings!

We are the **University of the Philippines Biochemistry Society**, an accredited, non-profit, socio-scientific organization of the **College of Arts and Sciences, University of the Philippines Manila**. The organization aims to promote academic excellence by providing means to understand the application of Biochemistry for the individual and for the society.

Annually, the UP Biochemistry Society (UP BCS) celebrates its **BCS Week**, also known as **Haykapnayan 2026**. For the upcoming academic year, the event will be held from **January 26 to January 30** at the **UP Manila grounds**. This week-long celebration seeks to develop the skills of aspiring young biochemists. Once again, we are pleased to **welcome high school students** to participate in our key activities: the **National Biochemistry Quiz Bee** and **Likha: A SciComm Poster-Making Contest**.

In line with this, we respectfully request your **region's endorsement** to high schools within your jurisdiction. Such endorsement will greatly assist us in **formally inviting both public and private schools to participate**, in accordance with DepEd policies on co-curricular and inter-school activities.

Further information about our organization may be found on our official Facebook page:

♥ [facebook.com/upbiochemsoc](https://www.facebook.com/upbiochemsoc)

For complete event details, please refer to the attached file. Should you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact us at externals.upbcs@gmail.com.

Thank you very much for your time and consideration. We look forward to the opportunity to collaborate with you.

In honor and excellence at the molecular level,

**Min Kyung Lee**

Vice President

for External Affairs, 2025-26

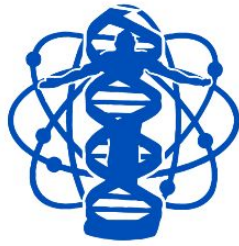
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The University of the Philippines Biochemistry Society (UPBCS) is a socio-scientific non-profit organization based at the University of the Philippines Manila College of Arts and Sciences.

We, members of the University of the Philippines Biochemistry Society, are drawn together in pursuit of academic excellence and desire to embody our principles and ideas to further the cause of science and technology in our University and in our society.

Executive Committee
AY 2025-2026

November 11, 2025

Arwenn Jermoinee Ticman
President

Dear Regional and Division Offices,

Megan Marie Sio
Vice President for Internal
Affairs

Greetings!

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Carl Vincent San Juan
Vice President for Finance and
Logistics

From January 26 to January 30, the UP Biochemistry Society will hold its annual **BCS Week**, known as **Haykapnayan 2026**. This event will be held at the **University of the Philippines Manila** (UP Manila).

Chelms Matthew Abas
Vice President for Publications

Samantha Portes
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BCS Week is an annual, week-long event organized by the University of the Philippines Biochemistry Society focused on propagating the field of Biochemistry not just to the UP Manila community, but also to the general public.

Leah Danielle Malogao
Auditor

Enrique Recio
4th Year Batch Representative

Specifically, BCS week aims to:

Lorenz Jhavy Bumagat
3rd Year Batch Representative

Helaena Lorainne Garcia
2nd Year Batch Representative

Jude Elisha Aquino
1st Year Batch Representative

Dr. Christopher Jay Robidillo, PhD
Adviser

- (1)** Showcase the different research trends and innovations in the field of chemistry and biochemistry;
- (2)** Hone and develop young minds as future chemists and biochemists of the country by instilling the value of public service;
- (3)** Create a sense of community and belongingness among the students of the organization.

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In view of the above, **we respectfully request the endorsement of the Department of Education in your respective regions for Haykapnayan 2026.** Your endorsement will assist us in formally inviting public and private schools to participate in accordance with DepEd policies on co-curricular and inter-school activities.

For your reference, attached below is a copy of the schedule for the whole week.

Date	Event	Venue
January 26, 2026	Opening Ceremony 9:00AM - 12:00NN	CAS Little Theatre
	Bugso: Chemazing Race 1:00PM - 5:00PM	UPM Grounds
January 27, 2026	Tatak Biochem!: A UP BS Biochemistry Research Symposium 1:00PM - 4:00PM	CAS Little Theatre
	Fund-raising Event for UPM CAS Maintenance Staff	UPM Rizal Hall Lobby
	Welcoming Assembly 12:00NN - 2:00PM	CAS Little Theatre
January 29, 2026	National Biochemistry Quiz Bee Eliminations 3:00 PM - 5:00 PM	CAS Little Theatre
	Likha: A SciComm Poster Making Contest 3:00PM - 5:00PM	Gusaling Andres Bonifacio
	January 30, 2026	National Biochemistry Quiz Bee Semifinals and Finals Semifinals: 8:00AM - 11:00AM Finals: 12:00NN - 3:00 PM
	Closing and Awarding Ceremonies 3:00PM - 5:30PM	CAS Little Theatre

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The **National Biochemistry Quiz Bee and Likha: A SciComm Poster Making Contest** are open for **high school students in the Philippines**. Hence, your endorsement in this event will be a great help in disseminating our events.

Below is the summarized description of both events for your reference.

Event	Description
National Biochemistry Quiz Bee	The National Biochemistry Quiz Bee is a national quiz bee organized by the UP Biochemistry Society, as part of the organization's annual Biochemistry Week. It aims to heighten the knowledge in Chemistry and Biochemistry of high school students. It fosters healthy competition and interaction among students from different high schools around the nation.
Likha: A SciComm Poster Making Contest	Likha is a SciComm poster-making contest, organized by the University of the Philippines Biochemistry Society, as part of the organization's annual BCS Week. The contest aims to showcase the creative interpretations of young Filipino high school students of the contest's theme using various art techniques. In addition, this event serves as a way to explore the intersection between arts and science in the eyes of young, modern Filipinos.

We look forward to your favorable response and participation! Thank you very much.

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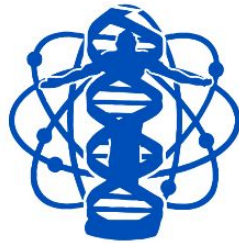


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President, UP BCS AY 2025-2026

Noted by:



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