



(From left) Prof. dela Peña, Dr. Abad, Ms. Jose, Engr. Ysulat, Ms. Cortez, Mr. Yow.

## **DOST-ITDI wins 3<sup>rd</sup> Best Poster at 72<sup>nd</sup> PhilAAST Annual Convention**

Researchers at the Standards and Testing Division (STD) of DOST's Industrial Technology Development Institute (ITDI) earned Third Best Poster at the 72<sup>nd</sup> Annual Convention of the Philippine Association for the Advancement of Science and Technology (PhilAAST) held at the Centennial Hall of The Manila Hotel on September 22, 2023.

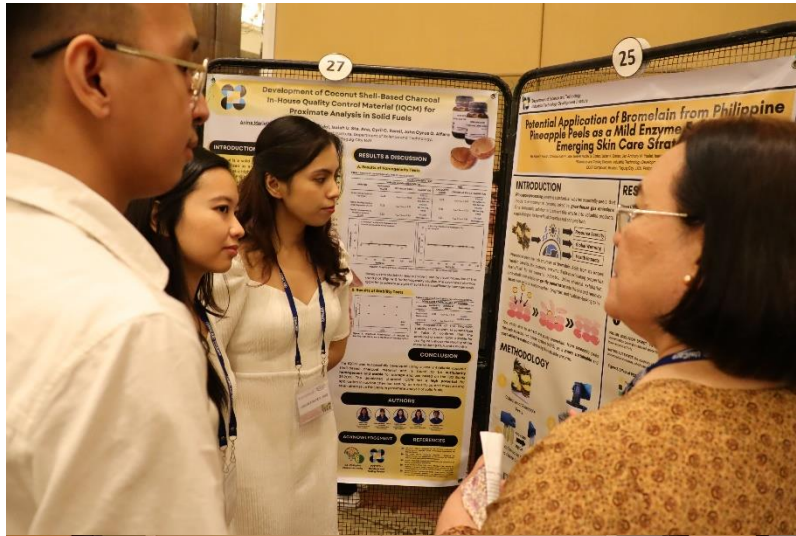
Titled, "*Potential Application of Bromelain from Philippine Pineapple Peels as a Mild Enzyme Exfoliant for Emerging Skin Care Strategies*", the team working on the project was composed of Ma. Rachel V. Parcon, Chelsea Kate F. Jose, Geaver Nicolei G. Cortez, Jan Anthony N. Ysulat, Isaiah U. Sta. Ana, John Cyrus O. Alfaro, and Mark Nicholas L. Yow. The team received the award from PhilAAST President and former DOST Secretary Prof. Fortunato T. dela Peña and Poster Committee Chair Dr. Lucille Abad.

About 39 posters were submitted, six of them by DOST-ITDI researchers. The winning team was only surpassed by researchers from Pampanga State University and University of Santo Tomas, who finished second and first, respectively.

Congratulations, ITDI-STD!

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