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#TECH: Malaysian scientist honoured with prestigious MIT award

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This highly regarded accolade celebrates her innovative contributions to sustainable energy harvesting and environmental remediation through the upcycling of plastics.

The TR35 Award acknowledges 35 outstanding young innovators across the region who have made remarkable strides in diverse fields such as biotechnology, materials science, energy, and transportation, showcasing their ingenuity and entrepreneurial vision.

Kong's work has attracted international attention for its potential to revolutionise the way we handle plastic waste and its implications for sustainable energy.