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Currently interdiciplinary studies on ageing are very important to cope with international and national policies and programmes on ageing, related to to global ageing which indicated by the significant increasing of older population. In Asia and the Pacific, the number of older persons is growing rapidly, from 410 million in 2007 to about 733 million in 2025, and to an expected 1.3 billion in 2050. In terms of percentages, older persons will constitute about 15 per cent of the total population in 2025 and up to nearly 25 per cent by 2050, from over 10 per cent now. Indonesia is the fourth most populous country in the world, and tenth largest elderly population. In 2020, the number of older people will steadily increase to 28.8 million (11% of total population) while the under five population will gradually decrease in number. Since 2000, ageing studies have been conducted cotinuesly in the Center for Health Research University of Indonesia in collaboration with international and national institutions, in which some PhD students involve. Those studies have been relatively comprehensive in health and socio – economic aspects. Some of those studies are as follows: Ageing in Indonesia 1, 1997 - 2002; . Ageing in Indonesia 2, 2002 - 2004 ; Ageing in Indonesia 3, 2005 - 2006; Case Study Citengah Village; Elderly People in Rural West Java, Indonesia: Perceptions and Interpretations of Health and Illness, 2007. 5. Ageing in Indonesia 4 (Elderly People), 2007; Relationship of Salivary Phytoestrogens to agRelated Cognitive Decline and Possible Dementia in Indonesia (Jakarta, Sumedang dan Yogyakarta), 2006. This year the follow up study on Ageing and Dementia is conducting in Borobudur and Jakarta. This study will be integrated with osteoporosis study. Collaborative Institutes: Oxford Institute of Ageing, University of Oxford, UK; Department of Human Sciences, Loughborough University, UK and Leicester University, UK.