



Memorandum of Understanding

between

Medical University – Plovdiv (Bulgaria) and Tehran University of Medical Sciences (Iran)

In accordance with a mutual desire to promote international academic, cultural and scientific exchange, Medical University – Plovdiv, with administrative office in Bulgaria, 4000 Plovdiv, 15A Vassil Aprilov blvd. and duly represented by Prof. Maria Kukleva-Todorova DDM, PhD, DMsc, Vice Rector of Student Affairs, acting for and on its behalf and Tehran University of Medical Sciences having its administrative offices in Iran, Tehran, North Kargar Street and duly represented by Dr. Mohammad Bayat, DDS, MSc, Dean of School of Dentistry, enter into this Memorandum of Understanding.

The representatives of both institutions, for the purpose of furthering cooperation through both educational and academic exchanges, hereby affirm their intent to promote such exchanges as will be of mutual benefit for their respective institutions. Educational and academic exchanges are considered here to include but not be limited to:

- Exchange of students and academic staff;
- Exchange of academic staff and research assistants for the main purpose of academic research;
- Exchange of specialists, new scientific and technological achievements;
- Exchange of documentation, academic information and research materials;
- Joint scientific research with PhD students and young scientists;
- Reciprocal assistance for visiting academic staff (postgraduate researchers), faculty members and administrative staff;
- Implementation of lectures and symposia, organization of scientific conferences and publication of joint study results;
- Implementation of collaborative research projects and programs on medicine (education and research), exchange of scientific information and results;

Both parties decide by mutual consent that all the financial and specific research agreements will have to be negotiated and will depend on the availability of funds.

Concerning research collaboration both parties hereby declare that:

1. Each common research initiative shall be appropriately described in a research plan with the activities to be implemented.
2. Details of each research program or research project shall be arranged by mutual consent by the relevant departments, centers, etc. of both parties subject to the approval of the higher authorities of each party.
3. Relevant academic materials, technical information including research reports, periodicals etc. and other information available to each party shall be exchanged between the parties.



4. All information and/or data that may be exchanged, acquired and shared in connection with the areas of cooperation between both parties pursuant to this Cooperation Agreement shall be treated strictly confidential and shall not under any circumstances be divulged by the receiving party unless such information has already been in public domain.
5. Any cost and expenses that may be incurred by jointly performing research programs and research activities shall be negotiated and agreed upon to the satisfaction of both parties before starting such programs and activities.
6. Each research project shall be the subject of a specific research agreement, containing at least the above mentioned issues and clauses with regard to the ownership of research results, obtainment of intellectual property rights and valorisation.

For Medical University – Plovdiv, the responsible academic staff member will be Prof. Maria Kukleva-Todorova.

For Tehran University of Medical Sciences, the responsible academic staff member will be Dr. Mohammad Bayat.

This Memorandum of Understanding as well as succeeding plans concerning the concrete proposals of cooperation shall be effective after approval of the terms of the specific research and exchange agreement by the appropriate authorities of the universities. It will remain in effect for a period of 3 (three) years. Thereafter, it will be reviewed and can be amended or renewed as agreed by both parties.

FOR MEDICAL UNIVERSITY – PLOVDIV

ON BEHALF OF FACULTY OF DENTAL MEDICINE
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