



*In The Name Of God*

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

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*2<sup>nd</sup> Affiliated Hospital of Xi'an Jiaotong University (XJTU), Shaanxi, China*

*and*

*Brain and Spinal Cord Injury Research Center of Tehran University of Medical Sciences (TUMS); Tehran, Iran*

2<sup>nd</sup> Affiliated Hospital of Xi'an Jiaotong University (XJTU) and Brain and Spinal Cord Injury Research Center of Tehran University of Medical Sciences (TUMS), hereby agree upon the following terms and conditions as set forth in this Memorandum of Understanding in April 2015.

PURPOSE

2<sup>nd</sup> Affiliated Hospital of Xi'an Jiaotong University (XJTU) and Brain and Spinal Cord Injury Research Center of Tehran University of Medical Sciences (TUMS), (hereinafter referred to as "the Parties"), realizing the great potential brought forth by the development of science and technology in addressing health and medical issues in two countries; guided by the willingness to strengthen existing cooperation and collaboration between their respective countries in the field of health and medical sciences; with the aim of enhancing and promoting research and development in this field; have agreed upon the followings:

ARTICLE I

The Parties intend to enhance and expand cooperative efforts in health and medical sciences according to the following general principles:

- a) To conduct all activities in the spirit of partnership, mutual cooperation, and scientific excellence.
- b) The cooperation provided for in this MoU does not affect relations currently established between institutions or individuals of 2<sup>nd</sup> Affiliated Hospital of Xi'an Jiaotong University (XJTU) and Brain and Spinal Cord Injury Research Center of Tehran University of Medical Sciences (TUMS) rather the Parties intend to identify new areas for joint activities.

ARTICLE II

The Parties plan to provide for an expansion of cooperation across a broad range of mutual interests. Initial efforts are to be directed at developing joint activities, addressing common research interests in:

- 1) Scientific cooperation and exchange in the field of medicinal education and research;
- 2) Visits to the other institution by faculty members and researchers for conferences, seminars, lectures and discussions;



- 3) Exchange of academic materials and academic publications, information and technology in support of research activities;
- 4) Coordinating joint scientific programs and research projects;
- 5) Exchanging and training of scientists and delegations;
- 6) Holding meetings, workshops and scientific conferences.

#### ARTICLE III

For each area of cooperation, the Parties or their designees intend to identify an appropriate coordinator to take the lead in overseeing the practical implementation of activities. The appropriate coordinator of the two Parties shall be responsible for coordinating communications and activities with their counterparts and should be responsible for fulfilling mutually decided responsibilities.

#### ARTICLE IV

All activities undertaken, pursuant to this MoU, are to be conducted in accordance with the laws and regulations of China and Iran and are subject to the availability of personnel, resources, and appropriated funds. The expenses arising from cooperative activities under this MoU will be covered by both Parties. Projects under this MoU are to be implemented based on consultations between the Parties and project arrangements signed by relevant participants.

#### ARTICLE V

This MoU should come into force upon signature by the designated representatives of both Parties and shall remain in force for a period of 3 years. It may be extended for additional 2 years by the mutual written consent of the Parties. This MoU may be amended by mutual written consent of the Parties.

#### COORDINATORS

Both parties will appoint a coordinator to facilitate the communication between them.

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