



Memorandum of Understanding between Tehran University of Medical Sciences and Zhengzhou University

Objective

This MOU aims to establish a framework for collaboration and exchange between Tehran University of Medical Sciences (thereafter TUMS) and Zhengzhou University in China (thereafter ZZU). The parties agree to promote academic cooperation, joint research, and faculty and student mobility.

Main Objectives

1. Faculty Exchange and Communication

1.1. Exchange Visits: Both institutions shall facilitate reciprocal visits of faculty members for academic purposes.

1.3. Areas of Collaboration:

- · Joint research projects
- Curriculum development
- · Guest lectures, workshops, seminars and speeches
- · Participation in academic events
- · Participation as jury members

2. Student Exchange and Training

2.1. Visiting Students (6-12 Months):

- TUMS and ZZU will encourage student exchanges for research and academic projects.
- Students will have the opportunity to work on their projects and collaborate on joint initiatives at both institutions according to separate agreements between principal investigators.
- All academic activities are followed under the regulations of both institutions.

2.2. Dual graduate program Degree (cotutelle):

• TUMS and ZZU will explore dual degree programs for students:





- o Taking Courses in Iran:
 - Students will complete coursework at TUMS in English.
 - Upon successful completion, they will receive a degree from TUMS.
- Research in China:
 - Students will conduct research at ZZU.
 - Upon successful completion of their research, they will receive a degree from ZZU.

3. Financial Support

3.1 Visits by faculty members:

- TUMS will provide support for accommodation and domestic transportation for the entire duration of the visit by members of ZZU to Iran.
- ZZU will extend similar support to TUMS faculty members visiting China.

3.2. Conference Participation:

Registration fees will be fully waved by the host of the conference.

3.3. Publications:

- TUMS and ZZU will encourage collaborative research leading to joint publications.
- Faculty members and students will actively engage in peer-reviewed publications.

4. Technology and Startup Support

4.1. Startup Facilitation and Localization:

- Both parties will actively support startups by providing resources, mentorship, and networking opportunities.
- Efforts will be made to facilitate the establishment of startups in both countries. This may
 include settlement in science parks, establishing joint incubators, and joint accelerators.

4.2. Patent Support for Startups:

 Parties agree to support legal assistance, funding, and guidance throughout any joint patent process.

5. Intellectual property rights





The Parties recognize and agree that nothing contained in this MOU shall be construed as granting any property rights, by license or otherwise, or affecting any invention or any patent, copyright, trademark, or other intellectual property rights of the parties. None of the Parties may use registered or non-registered logos and trademarks of the other Parties for any purpose whatsoever without the prior written consent of such Party. This Agreement entitles none of the Parties to represent the other Parties in any transaction or to act in its name for any purpose or in any way whatsoever.

6. Duration

This MOU shall be in effect for an initial period of 3 years, with the possibility of renewal upon mutual agreement. It is subject to renewal by mutual written consent of the parties within six months prior to the expiration date. In the event that the Party wishes to terminate this Memorandum of Understanding at the expiration date, they shall do so in writing to the other Party, with a notice period of six months.

7. Conditions

Any difference or dispute between the Parties concerning the interpretation and/ or application of any of the provision of this Memorandum of Understanding shall be settled amicably through mutual consultation and/or negotiations between the Parties without reference to any third party.

This Memorandum of Understanding may be revised with the mutual consent of both parties.

Signatories

Signed on behalf of Tehran University of Medical Sciences

Professor Mohammad H. Ayati

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