

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

BETWEEN

SHAHID BEHESHTI UNIVERSITY OF MEDICAL SCIENCES, IRAN

Represented by Babak Sharif Kashani, MD

AND

MEDICAL UNIVERSITY OF VIENNA, AUSTRIA

Represented by Michaela Fritz, PhD

This Memorandum of Understanding is intended to promote international collaboration between Shahid Beheshti University of Medical Sciences, Iran, located at 7th Floor, Bldg No.2 SBUMS, Arabi Ave, Daneshjoo Blvd, Velenjak, Tehran, Iran, represented by Babak Sharif Kashani hereinafter referred to as "SBUMS" and Medical University of Vienna, located at Spitalgasse 23, 1090 Vienna, Austria hereinafter referred to as "MUV" represented by Michaela Fritz.

(SBUMS and MUV are hereinafter individually referred to as a "Party" and collectively referred to as the "Parties")

Purpose of Agreement

1. The purpose of this agreement is to establish academic and educational collaboration between the Parties, to cooperate in the field of higher education, specifically in areas which both Parties jointly identify as areas of mutual interest and of reciprocity and mutual benefit.
2. The Parties wish to establish mutual contribution to the academic research and education and science of both Parties.
3. The Parties wish to encourage and establish collaborative scientific research.
4. The purpose of the Memorandum of Understanding is to establish a framework for collaboration between SBUMS and MUV, which will provide the basis for the application of joint research projects, exchange of staff, students, and visiting professors, and development of ideas for other training courses and workshops for the mutual benefit of both Parties.
5. This MOU expresses the future intention of the Parties to cooperate, but is not intended to create any legal binding rights or obligations.
6. SBUMS and MUV have the common objectives to promote and accelerate the progress of research, education and training in various disciplines of research in the different fields of medical sciences.

Terms

The Parties hereby agree to the following scope of collaborations (hereinafter referred to as "Collaboration"):

Article 1: Joint Research Projects

Collaboration in research-related activities might be organized in areas of mutual interest. Including joint research projects between the Parties for which Parties will apply for governmental subsidy funds in Iran, Austria and at the EU level (f.e. Horizon Europe).

Article 2: Exchange of Academic Staff

The Parties will endeavor to develop a mechanism for exchange of academic staff for mutual benefit of both Parties.

Article 3: Faculty Members Visits

The Parties will make every reasonable effort to establish joint programs. The Parties will support arrangement for such visits.

Article 4: Collaboration

This cooperation will solely involve MUV and SBUMS. Other Parties may participate by mutual written agreement at any time.

The specific arrangements, terms and obligations concerning the Collaboration must be defined in a separate written agreement. Such agreement must be concluded between the Parties before the start of the cooperation.

Implementation and Funding

1. Each Party will designate one officer who will regularly exchange information to identify priorities for cooperation on the field of mutual interest.
2. All cooperative activities under this MOU will be subject to the availability of funds to the Parties. The Parties, separately or jointly, will try to raise funds.

Amendments and Disputes

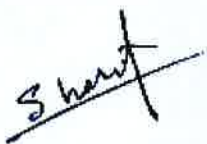
This Memorandum of Understanding may be amended by written agreement signed by the representatives of the Parties. Any dispute arising out of the interpretation and/or implementation of this Memorandum of Understanding shall be settled amicably in good faith through consultation or negotiation between the Parties without reference to any third party or any international tribunal. All applicable items of this agreement will remain in force, but only for the continuation of the current year.

Duration, Renewal and Termination of Agreement

This Memorandum of Understanding will come into effect immediately on the date of last signature of this Memorandum of Understanding by the representatives of Shahid Beheshti University of Medical Sciences, Iran, and Medical University of Vienna, Austria and shall remain in force for a period of three (3) years. Both Parties may renew the agreement upon mutual written consent at least six (6) months prior to the date of termination. Any modification to the present agreement shall be undertaken by mutual decision in writing and any new changes will start on a date agreed by both Parties. Either Party may terminate this agreement by giving three (3) months' notice in writing. Termination of the agreement is subject to finalization of decided common projects and activities.

This Memorandum of Understanding is four (4) pages and signed in two (2) originals in English, both texts being equally valid.

Tehran, March 22, 2021



Shahid Beheshti University of Medical Sciences
Babak Sharif Kashani, MD
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Vienna, March 22, 2021



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