



MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING ON ACADEMIC CO-OPERATION

between

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Institute of Biophysics and Biomedical Engineering, Bulgarian Academy of Sciences, Sofia, Bulgaria

Burdur Mehmet Akif Ersoy University, Burdur, Türkiye and Institute of Biophysics and Biomedical Engineering at the Bulgarian Academy of Sciences, Sofia, Bulgaria, hereinafter referred to as "the Parties", recognizing the benefits to both scientific organizations from the establishment of an international link, conclude this Memorandum of Understanding (MoU).

1. The Purpose of Memorandum of Understanding

The purpose of this MoU is to develop academic, cultural and social cooperation and to promote mutual understanding between the two Parties.

2. The Content of Memorandum of Understanding

Both Parties agree to develop the following collaborative activities in the academic areas of mutual interest, on a basis of equality and reciprocity:

- 2.1. Exchange of academic and administrative staff;
- 2.2. Exchange of students;
- 2.3. Promoting cooperation in the field of student placements and thesis research;
- 2.4. Conducting collaborative research projects;
- 2.5. Conducting lectures;
- 2.6. Organizing social, cultural, and scientific meetings such as symposiums, congresses, conferences;
 - 2.7. Exchange of academic information and materials;
 - 2.8. Promoting collaboration in fields of mutual interest;
 - 2.9. Promoting other academic cooperation as mutually agreed.

3. Financial Rules

- **3.1.** The implementation of any of the types of cooperation stated in item 2 shall depend upon the availability of resources and financial support at the Parties concerned.
- **3.2.** Financial details about the bilateral visits shall be solved by written agreements between the two Parties.

4. Period of MoU

This MoU shall be valid for five (5) years from the date the representatives of both Parties signed it.



This MoU may be renewed after being reviewed and renegotiated by both Parties.

5. Remarks

- 5.1. If the collaborative research activities under the MoU result in any potential intellectual property, both Parties shall seek an equitable and fair understanding as to the ownership and other property interest that may arise.
- 5.2. All publications within the MoU depend on the bilateral negotiation between the two Parties. Within the publication period, both Parties' benefits shall be considered.
- **5.3.** This MoU may be amended or modified by a written agreement signed by the representatives of the two Parties.
- 5.4. The development and implementation of specific activities based on this MoU shall be negotiated separately and agreed upon between the faculties, academies, or institutes that carry out the specific projects.

Both Parties agree to carry out these activities after full consultation and approval in accordance with the laws and regulations of the respective countries.

- 5.5. This MoU may, at any time during its period of validity, be terminated by one of the Parties upon prior notice to the other one in writing not later than six months before the termination date.
- 5.6. The written agreements between the two Parties shall determine the number of students, academic staff, and administrative staff who may benefit from the mobility specified in items 2.1 and 2.2.

6. Operative Effect

This MoU is prepared as two (2) copies in English and it will become effective after being signed by the representatives of the two Parties.

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