## MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

between

## SCHOOL OF BIOMEDICAL SCIENCES AND PHARMACY, COLLEGE OF HEALTH, MEDICINE AND WELLBEING, UNIVERSITY OF NEWCASTLE

(Newcastle, Australia)

and

## INSTITUTE OF CELL BIOLOGY OF THE NATIONAL ACADEMY OF SCIENCES OF UKRAINE

(Lviv, Ukraine)

Following a mutual desire to promote activities between the School of Biomedical Sciences and Pharmacy, the University of Newcastle and the Institute of Cell Biology of the National Academy of Sciences of Ukraine, the two institutions agree to the following statement of intent on cultural, educational, and research cooperation.

Cooperation and development of activities may extend to any fields and subjects in which the two institutions may identify shared interests. The initial area of cooperation is to conduct mutual scientific research, educational programs, and exchange of resources.

The two institutions agree to cooperate in the following general areas:

- 1. Sharing information, academic materials, expertise, and publications related to mutual interests.
- 2. Facilitating visits of scholars and scientists to the University of Newcastle for collaborative research.
- 3. Arranging programs for lectures and short-term visits to the University of Newcastle.
- 4. Encouraging student participation.
- 5. Extending invitations to scientists for conferences and symposia.

Both parties agree that all financial arrangements necessary to implement this General Agreement or any subsequent agreements must be negotiated according to the regulations of each institution and will be dependent upon the availability of funds. Both parties recognize that this General Agreement establishes a foundation of mutual understanding and interest and does not in itself entail any financial obligations to either organization.

Each institution will appoint a liaison who will be responsible for the coordination and administration of the collaboration. Each liaison will be responsible for providing his/her counterpart with information about the academic background, records, and interests of proposed participants in the program. It is understood that both institutions will nominate only individuals of the highest scholastic standing and potential.

Any intellectual property arising from joint research projects shall be governed by separate agreements between the parties, taking into account the contributions of each party.

This agreement for partnership, cooperation, and scientific exchange shall remain in effect for a period of five (5) years from the date of the last signature, with the understanding that it may be terminated by either party giving three (3) months written notice to the partner institution.

The parties agree that this Inter-institutional agreement only expresses the intention of the parties, and is not binding and does not create any legally enforceable obligations between the parties.

The agreement has been drawn up in two original copies, one copy for each party. The agreement is written in English. In case of any conflict or contradiction, legal interpretation will be determined according to this version.

This agreement may be amended with the consent of both institutions through a written addendum executed by authorized individuals from both institutions.

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