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Memorandum of Understanding (MOU)
Between
Damascus University in the Syrian Arab Republic
And
American Arab Academy of Dentistry (AAAD)

Damascus University in the Syrian Arab Republic and American Arab Academy of Dentistry (its address: 6500 Six Mile Ln #1, Louisville, KY 40218, USA), hereinafter referred to as the "Parties"; aiming at developing and deepening their relationships of scientific cooperation and academic exchange,

The Parties have agreed as follows:

**Article /1/
Objective of the MOU**

This MOU aims to enhance scientific and academic cooperation between both parties on the basis of equality and mutual benefit and within the enforced laws and regulations of each party. Goals include:

- Expertise Exchange: Enhancing interaction among faculty and researchers to improve curricula and education quality.
- Joint Scientific Activities: Organizing workshops and conferences for knowledge transfer and research development.
- Student Skill Development: Providing advanced training opportunities to enhance students' academic and professional skills.
- Professional Training: Continuous professional development for faculty and students to improve service quality.
- Material Exchange: Sharing scientific materials to support education and research.
- Advance medical and dental education and foster scientific collaboration for mutual benefit and academic progress.

**Article /2/
Areas of Cooperation**

The parties agree, within their capabilities and within the enforced laws and regulations of each of them, to collaborate in the following areas:

- a. Recruiting international lecturers and trainers for scientific activities.
- b. Co-organizing scientific and practical conferences, seminars, and other events.
- c. Holding joint workshops and seminars.
- d. Developing specialized long-term training programs.
- e. Hosting regular scientific webinars.
- f. Initiating joint research projects.
- g. Offering intensive courses.
- h. Providing free training programs, lectures, and online sessions for students and faculty.
- i. Any other mutually agreed-upon areas.

These areas aim to enhance fruitful cooperation between the institutions, supporting academic and scientific progress to improve continuous medical education quality.

**Article /3/
Financial Conditions**

Financial details will be coordinated between the parties through separate agreements to be determined later, and subject to the rules of professional practice.

**Article /4/
Implementation Mechanism**

- a. With the aim of implementation this MOU, the two Parties agree to sign Executive Programs, based on their desire and the available resources within the enforced laws and regulations of each of them, to determine the mechanisms and details of implementation of the provisions of this MOU.
- b. The Parties shall undertake to support participants in the Executive Programs by providing the information and facilities required for the cooperation and by settling problems related to organizing issues, in accordance with the enforced regulations in both countries.
- c. Each Party may nominate a coordinator (or a management committee) for implementing the MOU through mutual official correspondence within a maximum period of three months from its entry into force.
- d. This MOU does not give any Party the right to be a procurator or a representative of the other Party.
- e. The execution of this MOU is subject to the enforced laws and regulations in both countries.

**Article /5/
Confidentiality**

The Parties shall undertake to observe the confidentiality of all documents, information and other data which are disclosed, in writing or orally, by the disclosing Party to the receiving Party, and neither Party has the right to disclose information confidentially to any third Party without a prior permission of the other Party.

**Article /6/
Intellectual Property Rights**

The two Parties undertake to protect the intellectual property rights in accordance with the relevant laws, national rules and regulations enforced in both countries and the conventions in force between them.

**Article /7/
Settlement of Dispute**

Any dispute that may arise between the Parties regarding the interpretation or the implementation of this MOU shall be settled amicably by direct consultation and negotiations or through diplomatic channels.

**Article /8/
Final Provisions**

- a. This MOU shall enter into force from the date of signing.
- b. This MOU will be valid for a period of five years, renewed automatically for a similar period unless either of the Parties, at any time, notifies the other in writing form about its intention of termination, through diplomatic channels six months prior to its date of expiry.
- c. The termination will not affect the ongoing activities until their accomplishment.
- d. Either Party may amend, change or add any item or Article of this MOU by mutual written consent and through diplomatic channels. These amendments, or changes or additions will enter into force from the date of signing and will be considered as an integrated part of this MOU.

Done and signed in on 2 / 10 / 2024 in two original copies in Arabic and English languages of equal legal force. in case of any divergence in the interpretation, the text in English shall prevail.

**For Damascus University- Faculty
of Dentistry
In the Syrian Arab Republic**

Dean of the Faculty

Prof. Dr. Khaldoun Darwich



**For American Arab Academy of
Dentistry (AAAD)**

Founder of AAAD

Dr. Tareq Al Tinawi

