

**IMPLEMENTING AGREEMENT
BETWEEN THE
UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN MEDICAL SCHOOL
AND
KHON KAEN UNIVERSITY, FACULTY OF MEDICINE
KHON KAEN, THAILAND**

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Project Description:

This project is initiated under the general Agreement of Academic Cooperation and Exchange between the University of Wisconsin-Madison, USA and Khon Kaen University, Thailand signed by the administrative heads of both universities in 2002. This implementing document outlines conditions for collaboration between two established faculties of medicine, the University of Wisconsin Medical School, and the Khon Kaen University Faculty of Medicine, Thailand, to pursue mutual interests in education and research.

Background

There is an urgent need to create a globally competent medical workforce that is prepared to meet the challenges of an increasingly interdependent world. Khon Kaen University in Thailand has identified the need to increase health professional training opportunities that incorporate modern teaching methods and technologies; the University of Wisconsin aims to develop opportunities for students and faculty to gain experience with tropical diseases, to improve the

health of diverse populations, and to work effectively in the context of scarce resources. Faculty of KKU and UW have complementary strengths in expertise, facilities, and resources. The University of Wisconsin has programs in molecular biology, genetics, pharmacogenetics, and biomedical engineering that are not as well developed in Thailand. In contrast, KKU has medical expertise in infectious diseases and experience in environments that are unfamiliar and poorly understood in Western societies. These complementary strengths provide the rationale for collaboration between the faculty of these two institutions.

Funding:

The collaborating institutions and the faculty and staff at UW and KKU will seek funding to support specific activities in this collaboration. Specific agreements for collaborative research projects will be further defined as goals and funding sources are identified. In the case of implementing the KKU clinical PhD program in particular, funding will be negotiated on a case-by-case basis as the candidates and mentors are identified.

Intellectual Property:

The creation of new intellectual property is possible under this agreement. Ongoing discussions will take place regarding shared ownership of such property should it occur. If a PhD candidate from KKU works on an extramurally funded project at the UW, the intellectual property rights shall be governed by the rules and regulations of the granting agency. By the same token, with collaborative research funded by an extramural agency at KKU, the rules governing the ownership of intellectual property for that project shall be dependent upon those funding agencies' rules.

Summary:

We hereby affirm that we, as Deans of our respective faculties, agree with the above stated intentions to collaborate in a meaningful way and to support progress in shared training and research activities:

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