

AGREEMENT OF COOPERATION

BETWEEN

KHON KAEN UNIVERSITY

AND

THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS HEALTH SCIENCE CENTER AT HOUSTON

The University of Texas Health Science Center at Houston (hereinafter referred to as UTHSC-H) and Khon Kaen University (hereinafter referred to as KKU) located in Khon Kaen, Thailand enter into an Agreement of Cooperation to establish a program of exchange and collaboration in areas of interest and benefit to both institutions.

I.

The purposes of the cooperation between UTHSC-H and KKU are as follows:

- to promote interest in the teaching and research activities of the respective institutions;  
and
- to deepen the understanding of the economic, cultural and social issues environment of the respective institutions.

II.

To achieve these goals, UTHSC-H and KKU will, insofar as the means of each allow:

- promote institutional exchanges by inviting faculty and staff of the partner institution to participate in a variety of teaching and/or research activities and professional development;
- receive undergraduate and graduate students of the partner institution for periods of study and/or research;
- organize symposia, conferences, short courses and meetings on research issues;
- carry out joint research and continuing education programs; and
- exchange information pertaining to developments in teaching, student development and research at each institution.

### III.

Each institution shall designate a coordinator to oversee and facilitate the implementation of this Agreement. The coordinators, working with other appropriate administrators at the respective universities, shall have the following responsibilities:

- to promote academic collaboration at both faculty, graduate and undergraduate student levels for research and study;
- to act as principal contacts for individual and group activities and to plan and coordinate all activities within their institutions as well as with the partner institution;
- to distribute information to each institution about the faculty, facilities, research, publications, library materials and educational resources to the other institution; and
- to periodically review and evaluate past activities and to work out new ideas for future cooperative agreements.

### IV.

This general Agreement of Cooperation shall be identified as the parent document of any Program Agreement executed between the parties. Further agreements concerning any program shall provide details concerning the specific commitments made by each party and shall not become effective until they have been reduced to writing, executed by the duly authorized representatives of the parties, and approved in writing by the Executive Vice Chancellor for Health Affairs of The University of Texas System.

### V.

This Agreement anticipates no exchange of monies between the parties, unless otherwise provided for in the Program Agreement. Further, neither party guarantees specific funding for the scope of the activities under this Agreement. The scope of activities under this Agreement shall be determined by financial assistance as may be obtained by either institution from external sources.

VI.

All travel and living expenses, including room, board and other locally necessary expenses, will be the responsibility of the individual faculty investigator/clinician or, if external funding is available, his or her home institution. The host institution will endeavor to assist professional staff engaged in teaching or research to find local living facilities.

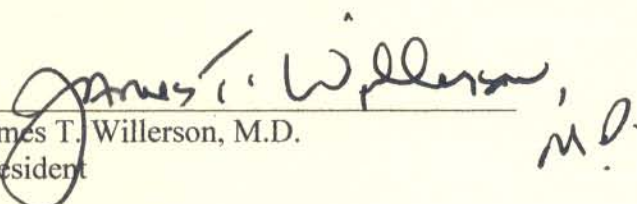
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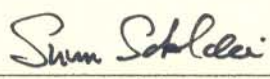
Upon approval by each institution, this Agreement shall remain in effect for a period of five (5) years unless terminated earlier by either institution. Such termination by one institution shall be effected by giving the other institution at least ninety (90) days advance written notice of its intention to terminate. Termination shall be without penalty. If this Agreement is terminated, neither UTHSC-H nor KKU shall be liable to the other for any monetary or other losses that may result.


EXECUTED by The University of Texas Health Science Center at Houston and Khon Kaen University in duplicate copies, this 11 day of JUNE, 2008, each of which shall be deemed an original.

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