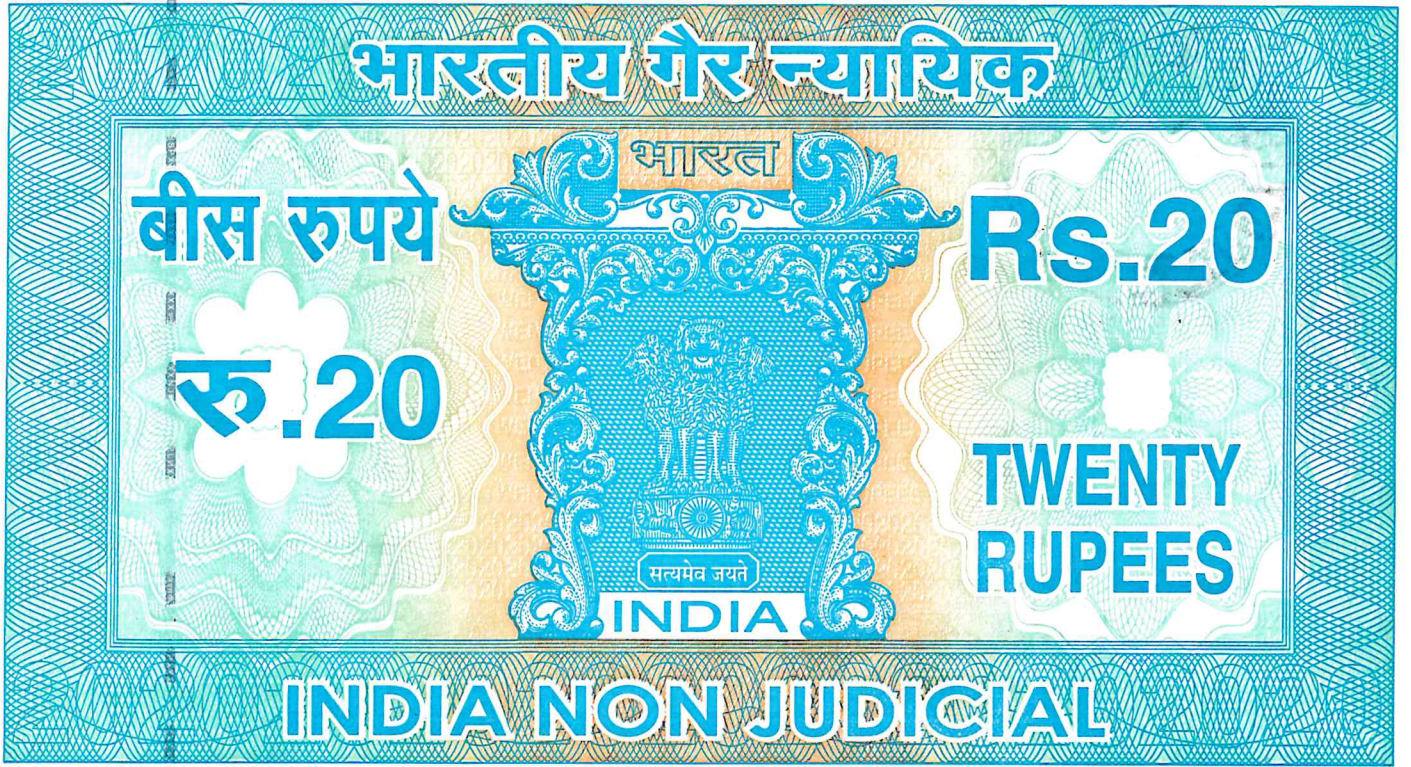




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Memorandum of Understanding
Between

Vellore Institute of Technology
(Estd.u/s of UGC Act 1956)

Vellore
and

Christian Medical College, Vellore

This memorandum of understanding (MoU), effective as of the last dated signature below,

between

Vellore Institute of Technology, a Centre of Excellence for Higher Technical Education in the country located at Vellore in Tamil Nadu, , represented by its Registrar Dr. T. Jayabarathi, (which expression shall where the context so admits include his successors and permitted assigns) hereinafter referred to as VIT


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and

Christian Medical College, Vellore an institution owned and administered by The Christian Medical College Vellore Association, a society with registration no.5 of 1947, registered as per the provisions of the Societies Registration Act, 1860 having its Registered Office at Ida Scudder Road, Vellore 632 004, represented by its Principal Dr. Solomon Sathishkumar, (which expression shall where the context so admits include its successors and permitted assigns) hereinafter referred to as "CMC".

Whereas, both parties have mutual desire to promote cooperation between VIT, Vellore and Christian Medical College, Vellore,

Whereas, both parties are desirous of entering into a formal statement of collaboration in the form of this Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) for the purpose of academic and research interactions.

TITLE OF THE RESEARCH:

HIV-associated chronic immune activation influences TB pathogenesis and outcome.

1. LEAD PERSONNEL :

- a. Dr. George Priya Doss C, Associate professor, Laboratory of Integrative Genomics, Department of Integrative Biology, SBST, VIT Vellore and
- b. Dr. John Fletcher and Dr. Rajesh Kannangai Professor, Department of Clinical Virology, Christian Medical College, Vellore.

2. AREAS OF COLLABORATION :

The primary objective of this MOU is to create a means for cooperative efforts between Christian Medical College (CMC) and Vellore Institute of Technology (VIT) to affect the academic and clinical interchange of academic and research information between the two Institutions. Christian Medical College and VIT will undertake joint research work in the areas of mutual interest.


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- A. CMC agrees to offer the following to VIT:
- i. CMC would be the primary institute to generate experimental data and to experimentally validating the datasets obtained from the global data set.
- B. VIT agrees to offer the following to CMC:
- i. To perform the required bioinformatics on global and CMC generated data sets.
 - ii. The data obtained from CMC will not be distributed by the receiving party within VIT, or any other governmental or private institutions.
 - iii. All research will be carried out as per the research protocol approved by the institutional review boards of both CMC and VIT.
 - iv. The concerned scientists of CMC and coordinating faculty members of VIT will formulate research projects and HRD plans for joint work with due approval of both the participating institutions.
 - v. In such joint projects between the two Institutions, any resulting publications shall include authorship of the respective personnel of each institution in accordance with standard scientific practices.

3. CO-ORDINATION COMMITTEE :

The following will constitute the co-ordination committee to monitor and review the collaborative programme between the two institutions

- i. Dr. Siva. R, Dean, SBST, VIT, Vellore, or his Nominee;
- ii. Dr. Solomon Sathishkumar, Professor, Department of Physiology, Christian Medical College, Vellore, or his Nominee.

4. COORDINATORS :

- i. Dr. George Priya Doss C, Department of Integrative Biology, SBST, VIT Vellore;
- ii. Dr. John Fletcher and Dr. Rajesh Kannangai, Professor, Department of Clinical Virology, Christian Medical College, Vellore.


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5. CONFIDENTIALITY AND IPR-PROTECTION:

5.1. Both parties hereunder agree that any information disclosed by one party to the other under this MoU shall be maintained as proprietary confidential information and that such information shall be disclosed only to the authorities as required in the relevant statutory regulations. All such proprietary information shall be kept in confidence and the party receiving such information agrees to prevent disclosure to any other person(s) except to the personal authorized by either of the parties on need to know basis for execution of work under this MoU.

5.2. Each party agrees that it shall not file any application seeking Intellectual Property Rights (IPR) in its own name or in the name of its associates or any other person(s), in relation to any joint activity covered or information disclosed under this MoU. However, they can seek intellectual property rights on joint names of the parties as mutually agreed on case to case basis on such terms and conditions as may be mutually agreed.

5.3. Intellectual Property generated during the activities under this MoU shall be owned jointly. The extent of ownership shall be decided mutually depending upon the relative intellectual inputs made by the parties. The expenditure incurred and to be incurred for the maintenance of IPR shall be borne by each party equally or in proportion to the extent of ownership as may be decided by the Steering Committee as may be provided for in a separate agreement to that effect.

6. PUBLICATION:

Publications, if any, in respect of the activity under this MoU shall be in the name of personnel involved from both the parties. In all publications (papers, reports, etc.,) it will be duly acknowledged that the work has been carried out by CMC and VIT under this MoU.

Wherever there is an intent to publish, there should be IRB clearance.


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7. NON-EXCLUSIVELY:

Nothing in the terms of Agreement shall restrict either party from having such arrangement with any other institution.

8. MONITORING, REPORTING & EVALUATION:

Both the Institutions shall meet once in three months to monitor, report and evaluate the progress as envisaged under the MoU.

9. DURATION:

This Memorandum of Understanding shall be valid for a period of five years from the date of signing of the same, and thereafter can be renewed for further period subject to such other terms and conditions as may be mutually agreed upon by the parties hereto.

10. TERMINATION:

Notwithstanding clause 8, this MoU may be terminated by either party by giving three months' notice in writing to the other party. Either of the parties shall honour within a mutually agreed period, the outstanding commitments, if any, as on the date of termination. Such termination shall in no manner affect the mutual right on IPR produced till then.

11. NOTICES:

All notices and other communications required to be served under the terms and this MoU shall be considered to be duly served, on CMC, if the same is delivered at, or posted by registered mail to CMC at its office in (Address) Similarly, any notice to be given to VIT shall be considered as duly served, if the same is delivered at or posted by registered mail to VIT at its registered office at Katpadi-Thiruvalam Road, Vellore 632014.


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12. ARBITRATION:

In the event of any dispute or difference between the parties hereto, such disputes or differences shall be resolved amicably by mutual consultation. Where it could not be resolved so, then it shall be referred to arbitration by sole arbitrator appointed by mutual consent of the parties. The venue of arbitration shall be at Vellore and the arbitration proceeding shall be as provided under the Arbitration and Conciliation Act, 1996.

13. JURISDICTION:

All legal disputes shall be subjected to the jurisdiction of the Courts in Vellore only.

14. MODIFICATION:

No modification to this MoU shall be binding unless it is made in writing and signed by both parties.

15. FORCE MAJEURE:

Any of the parties hereto shall not be released from its obligations for any reason except for force majeure such as war, strike, fire, acts of God or other causes beyond the control of the parties hereto.

This MoU is made out in 2 (two) original copies, one for each of the Parties. All original copies hereof are identical and legally equal.

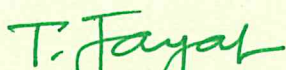

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In witness whereof, the parties here to cause this instrument to be executed as of the day, month and the year indicated below:

For, VIT, Vellore

For Christian Medical College, Vellore


Dr. T. Jayabarathi

Registrar, VIT, Vellore

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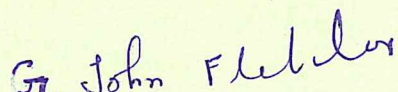
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WITNESSES:

1. Signature : G. Mohanraj
Name : Mohanraj G
Residential address : VIT, Vellore

2. Signature : Tamizhini
Name : Tamizhini L
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