THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS M. D. ANDERSON CANCER CENTER
GLOBAL ACADEMIC PROGRAMS

Memorandum of Understanding

This Memorandum of Understanding ("MOU"), effective as of February 1, 2016 ("Effective Date"), is entered into by and between The University of Texas M. D. Anderson Cancer Center, established under the laws of the State of Texas, USA, with an address at 1515 Holcombe Boulevard, Houston, Texas 77030, duly represented ("MD Anderson") and The University of Patras, established under the laws of Greece, with a registered seat at University Campus, 26504 Rio Achaia, Patras, Greece, duly represented ("UP"). MD Anderson and UP are hereinafter referred to individually as a “Party” and collectively as the “Parties.”

1. MD Anderson is a comprehensive cancer treatment, education, research, and prevention facility and an agency of the State of Texas located in Houston, Texas, USA.

2. UP is an Academic and Research Institution located in Patras, Greece.

3. Medical School personnel are affiliated with the General Regional University Hospital located in Rion, Patras. UP is highly interested in education, training, and research in the field of cancer for the improvement of cancer prevention, diagnosis, and management in Greece.

4. This MOU will serve as the basis for a mutually beneficial relationship among the Parties for their collaboration in developing training programs, faculty exchanges, oncology courses, and collaborative research projects to advance the understanding of cancer and improving cancer care (the “Project”).

5. The primary goal of this MOU is to create a mutual understanding and a framework whereby the Parties will work together on the Project. The Project is intended to build programs to increase the capacity of trained health professionals and investigators in oncology in Patras and Greece and to promote national and international collaboration in the field of cancer with learning and research institutions from other countries with an initial focus on Imaging Physics, Nuclear Medicine, Pathology, Internal Medicine, and Oncology.

6. These programs may include activities such as the following:

   (a) Providing expert advice for planning and implementation of cancer research programs;
   (b) Providing training and observer opportunities for healthcare professionals;
   (c) Developing and implementing online training modules for specific types of cancer care;
   (d) Providing opportunities for faculty exchange visits;
(e) Supporting short-period student exchanges, cooperative mentoring for graduate students;
(f) Conducting conferences, symposia, and workshops; and
(g) Conducting collaborative cancer research.

7. The Parties have identified the following objectives in support of the Project and the goal set forth in Section 5 above:

(a) Mutually strengthen basic, clinical, translational, and interdisciplinary research; and
(b) Develop collaborative, learner-centric educational and training programs related to Imaging Physics, Nuclear Medicine, Pathology, Internal Medicine, and Oncology.

8. The Parties will establish a steering committee for this project, which will serve as the directive body for decisions, implementations, and monitoring activities developed pursuant to this MOU. The Parties will mutually agree on the composition of the steering committee and on the dates and locations of its meetings.

9. The activities contemplated by this MOU shall be implemented as follows:

A. Phase I – Establish a mutually beneficial relationship for collaboration in developing and exchanging educational programs in oncology and providing a platform for academic growth and knowledge production in pursuit of high quality.

B. Phase II – Support collaborative multidisciplinary cancer and cancer-related health research relevant to the Greek population through international research projects.

10. Each Party will designate an individual who shall serve as the primary contact for all communications regarding this MOU. The UP coordinator for this MOU will be Associate Professor Georgios Kagadis.

11. Each Party will bear its own expenses related to its participation in the steering committee. The funding for the Project’s programs, initiatives, and activities will be negotiated by the Parties as needed.

12. No Party nor any affiliate thereof shall use or register any form of any other Party’s name, symbols, trademarks, or service marks in any advertising, promotional materials, or other medium (including but not limited to the internet, domain names, or URL addresses) or for any other purpose without the prior, written consent of any other Party.
13. This MOU will be effective through January 31, 2021 and it may be extended for further periods upon written agreement of the Parties.

14. Any Party may terminate this MOU prior to its expiration as follows:

   1. This MOU may be terminated by mutual written agreement of all Parties.

   2. Any Party may terminate this MOU without cause by giving thirty (30) days’ prior written notice to the other Parties.

   3. Any Party may terminate this MOU with cause by giving ten (10) days’ prior written notice to the other Parties.

15. If any Party wishes to translate this MOU into another language, such Party will do so at its sole expense. Any translation of this MOU shall be used for reference purposes only. In the event of any conflict or inconsistency between the English language version of this MOU and any translation of this MOU, the executed English language version shall govern the interpretation and construction hereof.

16. Any dispute, controversy, or claim arising out of or relating to this MOU shall be settled amicably by the Parties pursuant to mutual, good-faith discussions and negotiations.

17. Any notice under this MOU shall be in writing and deemed sufficiently given when delivered via commercial courier service to the other Parties at their addresses set forth below:

   **MD Anderson:**
   
   The University of Texas
   M. D. Anderson Cancer Center
   Attention: Shubhra Ghosh, M.D. CCRP
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   **With a copy to:**
   
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   M. D. Anderson Cancer Center
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18. This MOU may be executed in two or more counterparts, each of which shall be deemed an original and all of which together shall constitute but one and the same instrument.

AGREED AND ACCEPTED:

THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS
M. D. ANDERSON CANCER CENTER

By:  
Oliver Bogler, Ph.D.
Senior Vice President, Academic Affairs

Date:  January 31st 2016

THE UNIVERSITY OF PATRAS

By:  
Nikolaos Karamanos, Ph.D.
Vice-Rector for Academic and International Affairs

Date:  1st of January 2016

Reviewed and Approved by
UTMDACC Legal Services for
UTMDACC Signature

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