

AGREEMENT BETWEEN Vanderbilt University Medical Center (VUMC) AND THE UNIVERSITAT DE VALÈNCIA (UV)

On the one hand, ESTEBAN MORCILLO SÁNCHEZ, honourable Rector of the Universitat de València as its representative, addressed in Valencia, Avda. Blasco Ibáñez, 13,
On the other, JEFFREY R. BALSER, M.D., Ph.D., Vice Chancellor of the Vanderbilt University Medical Center as its representative, addressed in Nashville, Tennessee.

STATE

That drawn by the willingness to reinforce the existing academic relationships and establish new ones, and with the necessary mutual legal capacity to sign the present agreement on behalf of the institution that they represent, agree

CLAUSES

FIRST

The present agreement has been designed to facilitate university cooperation in both research and academic fields, during the three cycles of higher education. While setting out a framework of intended cooperation, the terms of the present agreement are not legally binding on either party.

SECOND

In order to carry out this cooperative programme, both parties agree to make reasonable efforts to:

- 1) Communicate the results of their pedagogical experiences (courses, seminars, etc.).
- 2) Inform the partner institution about any congresses, debates, science meetings and seminars organized by each university, and exchange those documents and publications resulting from their activities.
- 3) Promote, according to each country's regulations, lecturers' participation in courses, conferences, seminars and congresses organized by the partner institution, as stated in the yearly cooperative programmes.
- 4) Promote, according to their possibilities, lecturers' exchanges for a specified period of time, being academic or research activities their main objectives. Exchanges shall be subject to the policies of the departments involved.

5) Accept summer research interns from the sister institution provided they meet the requirements in force established by the host institution and under suitably established conditions. As regards medical insurance, the students shall be under the rules in force drawn up by the receiving institution.

6) All the concrete cooperation programs and the actions for students Exchange, and any other activities undertaken between the parties will require the execution of specific agreements that will include, at least, the number of students to be exchanged, the duration, the mechanism of funding, and any information that should be taken under consideration.

THIRD

The specific cooperative programmes shall be drawn up annually and appended to this agreement by the signature of specific agreements.

FOURTH

Each institution will appoint a representative in order to define and organise the cooperation programmes between both institutions.

1. Julie Hudson, M.D., M.A., Assistant Vice Chancellor for Health Affairs, is appointed as representative by the Vanderbilt University Medical Center and Prof. Juan Bautista Saus Mas from the Department of Biochemistry and Molecular Biology as a representative by the Universitat de València.

2. The representatives will be in charge of drawing up the annual work calendar and deal with unsettled questions. They shall meet alternatively at both institutions or by teleconference unless otherwise stated.

FIFTH

The present agreement shall be passed by each institution's relevant Bodies and signed by their respective Rectors or heads and shall enter into on the date of the final signature hereto.

The duration of this agreement is four (4) years and it will be automatically extended by equal periods, unless denounced by three (3) month written notice prior to its end and without affecting the completion of any activity underway at the time.

SIXTH

Any modification to this agreement, by common consent with both institutions, shall require the same proceedings as for its initial drawing up.

SEVENTH

A Joint Committee for Supervision and Control is created, formed by those responsible for it mentioned in Clause Fourth. This committee shall be in charge of the resolution of problems that may arise regarding its interpretation and enforcement.

The agreement has been signed in Valencia and Nashville, two copies for each language, all of them being identical and equally valid.

**THE VANDERBILT UNIVERSITY
MEDICAL CENTER**

UNIVERSITY OF VALENCIA

**Jeffrey R. Balsler, M.D., Ph.D.
Vice Chancellor for Health Affairs**

**Prof. Dr. Esteban Morcillo Sánchez
RECTOR**

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