MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING (MoU) between the College of Public Health, China Medical University (CMU), Taiwan and Asbestos Diseases Research Institute (ADRI), Australia

To promote cooperation in education, academic exchanges, and scientific research in the field of asbestos diseases between **CMU** and **ADRI**, (individually a "party" and collectively "parties") the following types of collaboration will be pursued:

- 1. Exchange of researchers and students to participate in programs for research;
- 2. Joint research projects in the field of asbestos diseases research;
- 3. Joint conferences, seminars, symposia, and workshops; and
- 4. Exchange of academic materials and other information.

This MoU expresses the intentions of the parties and places no financial obligations or supplementary funding commitments on either party. The terms of cooperation for each specific activity contemplated under this MoU shall be mutually discussed and agreed by both parties prior to the initiation of that activity. Each institution shall designate a liaison officer to oversee development and coordination of the specific activities agreed upon.

This MoU will become effective upon the date of signature by both parties and shall remain valid for a period of five years from the date of the last signature. The MoU may be modified by the written mutual consent of both parties. Either party may terminate it by giving the other party six months' written notice, unless an earlier termination is mutually agreed upon.

Each party shall not make any public announcement or statement or publish or release any information in relation to any proposed activity or proposed collaboration without the prior written approval of both parties. Each party shall keep confidential any information that it received from the other party which is marked confidential or which a party notifies the other party is confidential.

This MoU is completed in English and is hereby signed in two (2) copies with one (1) copy remaining in the possession of each party.

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Appendix One

The above Memorandum of Understanding focuses on building a strong and long-term relationship between the College of Public Health, China Medical University (CMU), Taiwan and the Asbestos Diseases Research Institute (ADRI), Australia.

1. Exchange of Researchers and Students to Participate in Programs for Research

The exchange of researchers and students for the purposes of joint research and academic development incorporates the following principles:

1.1. Programs

- 1.1.1. The number of researchers and students and duration of their visits will be mutually agreed upon by both parties prior to the visit taking place;
- 1.1.2. Both parties agree to undertake necessary measures to ensure the fulfillment of agreed expectations and work/research to be completed prior to any researcher and students visit commencing;
- 1.1.3. The host institution provides a suitable working environment, including office and computer facilities (with internet access) for the researchers and students;
- 1.1.4. The host institution is responsible for the implementation and administration of the research standards, quality assurance, and other related procedures;
- 1.1.5. No degree will be conferred on students by the host institution;
- 1.1.6. The research project offered in the host institution should both be in line with the student's thesis project and further research goals of the mentor of host institution.
- 1.1.7. No persons shall be accepted as participants under the exchange program unless they have the language capability necessary to carry out the proposed work plan.

1.2. Visa/Immigration Requirements

- 1.2.1. Exchange researchers and students are responsible for complying with all visa/immigration requirements, laws, and regulations of the host country, including obtaining and maintaining any visas and/or permits needed for participation in the exchange program during the entire exchange program period.
- 1.2.2. The host institution shall bear no responsibility for exchange researchers and students who fail to obtain and maintain visas and/or permits or who fail to comply with visa/immigration requirements, laws, and regulations of the host country.
- 1.2.3. Each exchange researchers and students must keep the host institution informed of any changes in his/her visa status.

1.3. Local Costs/Expenses, Accommodations/ Medical Insurance and Costs

- 1.3.1. Neither party shall be responsible for local costs/expenses;
- 1.3.2. The host institution will assist exchange researchers and students in obtaining accommodations to the extent feasible;
- 1.3.3. The home institution pays for the travel expenses and salary/scholarship of its exchange researchers and students whilst at the host institution.
- 1.3.4. The host institution will assume no obligations for payment of medical insurance and medical or dental treatment costs of exchange researchers and students.

2. Research Collaboration

- 2.1. Both parties agree to work together to obtain possible funding for joint research programs;
- 2.2. Both parties agree to provide all possible support to each other in pursuit of collaborative research and related activities;
- 2.3. The joint research programs are run in conformity with the local regulations and the requirements of the specific funding agencies;
- 2.4. Both parties agree to work towards collaborating in each other's respective research topics;
- 2.5. Both parties agree to work towards participating in each other's academic conferences, symposia, and seminars.

These activities outlined in Appendix One will become effective upon signing by representatives of the College of Public Health, China Medical University, Taiwan and the Asbestos Diseases Research Institute, Australia.

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