



SCHOOL OF DENTAL MEDICINE

Office of the Associate Dean
for Global Relations

AGREEMENT OF COOPERATION

BETWEEN

TUFTS UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF DENTAL MEDICINE

AND

HACETTEPE UNIVERSITY FACULTY OF DENTISTRY

The Trustees of Tufts College on behalf of Tufts University School of Dental Medicine ("Tufts"), Massachusetts, USA and the Faculty of Dentistry of Hacettepe University (H.Ü) , Ankara, Turkey hereby enter into an agreement of cooperation, made as of the first day of December 2014, to establish a program of exchange and collaboration in areas of interest and benefit to both institutions.

I.

The purposes of the cooperation between Tufts and H.Ü are as follows:

- to promote interest in the teaching and research activities of the respective institutions, and
- to deepen the understanding at each institution of the economic, cultural and social issues relating to its counterpart.

II.

To achieve these goals, Tufts and H.Ü may investigate opportunities in the following areas, insofar as the means of each allow:

- promote institutional exchanges by inviting faculty and staff of the other institution to participate in a variety of teaching and/or research activities and professional development;
- receive students of the other institution for periods of study and/or research. It is understood that acceptance of any students will be at the discretion of the institution providing the learning experience, and that each visiting faculty and student will be responsible for his/her own living expenses and will, at all times, be subject to the policies and regulations of the hosting institution providing the learning experience and its community, and each such visiting faculty and student shall sign an agreement agreeing to be bound by the policies and regulations of such hosting institution.

- 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 department within the respective institutions desiring to participate in an exchange 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 and graduate student levels for research and study;
- to act as principal contacts for individual and group activities and to plan and coordinate all departmental activities for which cooperation with the other institution is desired;
- to distribute to each institution information about the faculty, facilities, research, publications, library materials and educational resources of the other institution; and
- if deemed desirable, to meet periodically to 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 master document of any program agreement executed between the parties. Further agreements concerning any program shall provide details concerning the specific commitments made by each part and shall not become effective until they have been reduced to writing and executed by the duly authorized representatives of the respective institutions. The scope of the activities under this agreement shall be determined by the funds regularly available at both institutions for the types of collaboration undertaken and by financial assistance as may be obtained by either institution from external sources. No specific financial commitment by either party is to be implied from this agreement.

V.

Except as may be stipulated in any specific program agreement, each institution shall be responsible for expenses incurred by its employees under this agreement.

VI.

Upon approval by each institution, this agreement shall remain in effect for 3 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 Tufts nor H.Ü shall be liable to the other for any monetary or other losses which may result from such termination.

VII.

This Agreement may be executed in multiple counterparts. This Agreement shall be governed by the laws of The Commonwealth of Massachusetts, USA, without regard to conflicts of laws provisions, with respect to the obligations of Tufts and this Agreement shall be governed by the laws of Turkey, without regard to conflicts of laws provisions, with respect to the obligations of H.Ü.

VIII.

Hacettepe University shall not use the name "Tufts" or "Tufts University" or the name of any school or division thereof, or use any logo or insignia of or otherwise identify Tufts or any school or division thereof, in any form of publicity or disclosure without the prior written consent of Tufts, which consent may be withheld or granted by Tufts in its sole and complete discretion at any time or times. Tufts University shall not use the name "Hacettepe University" or the name of any school or division thereof, or use any logo or insignia of or otherwise identify Hacettepe University or any school or division thereof, in any form of publicity or disclosure without the prior written consent of Hacettepe University, which consent may be withheld or granted by Hacettepe University in its sole and complete discretion at any time or times.

Intellectual proprietary rights of any joint project and/or project outcomes will be determined by written and signed addendums. No revisions in the master document and/or addendums shall be valid unless written and signed.


EXECUTED as of the day and year first above written.

Trustees of Tufts College
On behalf of Tufts University
School of Dental Medicine



By: Provost. David Harris

Hacettepe University



By: ___Prof. Dr. A. Murat Tuncer, Rector