

**COLLABORATION ARRANGEMENT
BETWEEN**

**NATIONAL-REGIONAL JOINT ENGINEERING RESEARCH CENTER FOR
MEDICINAL PLANT BREEDING &
CULTIVATION MEDICINAL PLANT ENGINEERING RESEARCH CENTER
OF HUBEI PROVINCE IN HUAZHONG AGRICULTURAL UNIVERSITY
P.R. CHINA**

**&
FACULTY OF AGRICULTURE, TARBIAT MODARES UNIVESITY
TEHRAN, I.R. IRAN**

This Collaboration Arrangement is made by and between National-Regional Joint Engineering Research Center for Medicinal Plant Breeding & Cultivation AND Medicinal Plant Engineering Research Center of Hubei Province, Huazhong Agricultural University, having registered address: No.1, Shizishan Street Hongshan District Wuhan Hubei Province 430070 P. R. China, (hereinafter referred to as "ERCMPBC"), and Faculty of Agriculture, Tarbiat Modares University address: Faculty of Agriculture, Tarbiat Modares University, P.O. Box 14115-336, Tehran, Iran

Both hereinafter referred to individually as "a party" and collectively as "the parties"; desiring to strengthen their relations within the framework of the scientific and technological cooperation; have reached the following agreements:

ARTICLE I: Objective

The objective of this Collaboration Arrangement is parties shall together promote research cooperation with a view to contributing to the advancement of scientific research and technological development in the field of medical plants and other related agricultural disciplines.

ARTICLE II: Scope of Activity

In pursuant to the above objectives, the activities of the project shall include:

1. Joint development of the new technology and knowledge based products between ERCMPBC and the Faculty of Agriculture and joint research project activities.
2. Visiting two parties scientific members from ERCMPBC and the Faculty of Agriculture.
3. Exchange of professors, researchers and students.
4. Providing necessary fund to implement related projects.
5. Establishing of joint working group of members including (representative of ERCMPBC, the Faculty of Agriculture)

6. Joint seminars, workshops and educational courses.

ARTICLE III: Commitment of the Parties

It is noted that each joint project requires a new contract according to this MOU.

According to the contract for each joint project, the parties shall, subject to personnel and budgetary limitations and as may be mutually agreed upon, provide the following inputs:

1. ERCMPBC and the Faculty of Agriculture shall support the staff visit.
2. ERCMPBC and the Faculty of Agriculture shall provide fund to all joint cooperation.
3. ERCMPBC and the Faculty of Agriculture shall support all other related activities.

Financial conditions for the project activities under this Collaboration Arrangement shall be as follows:

- Sending Party shall meet expenses of international travel, medical, and others related to the visit.
- Receiving Party shall meet expenses of local hospitality i.e. accommodations, allowance for food, meetings, training courses, seminars, etc.

ARTICLE IV: Administration

The Parties may appoint their representatives as the coordinating agencies for the purpose of the project administration in the framework of this Collaboration Arrangement. The representative duly authorized by the parties shall maintain regular contact. The parties agree to regularly review the progress of the project under this Collaboration Arrangement. Meeting shall be convened as deem necessary.

ARTICLE V: Mutual Consultation

Any misunderstanding or problems or disputes between the Parties arising out of the interpretation or implementation of any provisions contained in this Collaboration Arrangement, or any matter not provided for herein shall be discussed and resolved by the Parties through mutual consultation based on the principles of cooperation, equality and sincerity.

ARTICLE VI: Intellectual Property and Confidential Information

An intellectual property generated from a joint activity under this Collaboration Arrangement shall be owned in proportion to the inputs from ERCMPBC and the Faculty of Agriculture. The ownership of intellectual property rights arising out of any activities pursuant to this Collaboration Arrangement shall be mutually agreed by the Parties on related contract. Any intellectual property independently occurred by employees of a Party should be solely owned by the said Party.

The parties, at all times during its term and for a period of 5 Years afterward, agree that any information exchanged or received pursuant to this Collaboration Arrangement shall be kept

strictly confidential and used solely for the purpose covered by this Collaboration Arrangement, unless such information was obtained by the third Party who does not have any obligation of confidentiality toward the information disclosing Party and entered public domain.

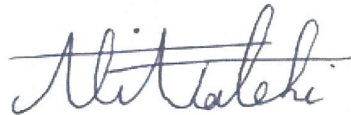
ARTICLE VII: Amendment

This Collaboration Arrangement may be amended by mutual consent of the parties concerned. Any amendment of this Collaboration Arrangement shall not prejudice any right occurring to a party or any obligation incurred by a party under this Collaboration Arrangement prior to the effective date of such amendment.

ARTICLE VIII: Validity

This Collaboration Arrangement shall enter into force immediately upon the signatures of the duly authorized representatives of the parties to this Collaboration Arrangement and shall remain in force for the period of 5 years. This Collaboration Arrangement may be terminated by either party by giving the other a written notice 6 months in advance. This collaboration is prepared in 8 articles in three pages and signed in two original copies in the month of February 2016.

Dr. Ali Asghar Talebi



**Head of Faculty of Agriculture
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Date: February 14, 2016

Prof. Xuebo Hu



Head of ERCMPBC

Date: March 23, 2016

