THE AGREEMENT ON DOUBLE DEGREE PROGRAM FOR DOCTORAL DEGREE BETWEEN

GRADUATE SCHOOL OF MEDICAL SCIENCES KUMAMOTO UNIVERSITY - JAPAN

AND

FACULTY OF ASSOCIATED MEDICAL SCIENCES CHIANG MAI UNIVERSITY – KINGDOM OF THAILAND

Following the signing of the Agreement on Academic and Student Exchange between Kumamoto University and Chiang Mai University, the GRADUATE SCHOOL OF MEDICAL SCIENCES, KUMAMOTO UNIVERSITY - JAPAN and the FACULTY OF ASSOCIATED MEDICAL SCIENCES, CHIANG MAI UNIVERSITY - KINGDOM OF THAILAND, hereby agree to the following items in order to implement a doctoral Double Degree Program in the area of medical sciences.

Article 1 Entrance Examination & Enrollment

- 1. Both universities shall give entrance examinations to the students separately.
- 2. Each university shall independently make its own decision whether to accept the student.
- 3. The program shall provide joint supervision for the students' study and research.
- 4. The entrance examination fee shall be paid to both universities, however, the enrollment and tuition fees shall only be paid to the home university.

Article 2 Required Period & Student's Status

- 1. In principle, the student shall spend at least one year in the host university, and shall be recognized and receive benefits as a regular full-time student of both universities.
- 2. Student's home university shall approve the extension of enrollment, if necessary.

Article 3 Number of Accepted Students

Each university will accept up to a maximum of two students yearly under this agreement. However, more than two students may be accepted, if necessary, based on discussions between both universities. The number of students in this double degree program are counted separately from the numbers allocated under the "Student Exchange Agreement between Kumamoto University and Chiang Mai University" concluded at the University level.

Article 4 Supervision & Accreditation of Credits

- 1. An advisory committee of multiple faculty members from both universities shall be appointed to each student to provide supervision on their study and research. A major supervisor shall be selected from the committee members of each university.
- 2. Upon evaluation, credits earned from the host university are accepted as equivalent to the courses offered by the home university and the acceptance of credit transfer shall conform to the academic regulations of both universities.

Article 5 Doctoral Thesis Review & Degree Awarded

- 1. Doctoral thesis review shall be held separately by each university.
- 2. The home university shall award a doctoral degree when the student has fulfilled the requirements of the home university. The host university shall award another doctoral degree when the student has fulfilled the requirements of the host university.
- 3. Both universities shall together award one double degree program certificate when both degrees have been awarded. However, the certificate shall not be awarded if the student fails to receive the degree from either university.

Article 6 Regulations

Regulations regarding the entrance examination, credit accreditation, organization of an advisory committee, and confirmation of a degree shall be decided by each university and is subjected to mutual consent.

Article 7 Responsible Faculty Person for Contact and Coordination

Each university shall designate a contact faculty person who will be responsible for communication between both universities and for coordination of this double degree program.

Article 8 Effect of Agreement

This Agreement shall take effect from the day this document is signed by the representatives of both universities, and shall remain in effect while the Student Exchange Agreement is valid. It may be renewed by mutual consent, if proposed by either university. A review shall be conducted at every extension of the Student Exchange Agreement.

Article 9 Amendment & Termination of Agreement

This Agreement may be amended or terminated by mutual consent, if proposed by either university, by giving at least six months' notice in writing to the other university. However, students already admitted to and participating in the program must be allowed to complete the program.

This Agreement is written in English and signed in duplicate by both universities and may be translated into other languages for reference purposes.

For and on behalf of Graduate School of Medical Sciences Kumamoto University

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