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**Memorandum of Understanding
Between**

**PVT Merit Biolabs, Pulikeel Building, N.H. Bypass, Kochi
And
Post Graduate and Research Department of Microbiology,**

Sree Sankara College, Kalady

This memorandum of understanding made for 3 years (from January 1st, 2023 to December 31st, 2025) between PVT Merit Biolabs, Kochi (here in after referred to as PvT MERIT B10LABS) and Department of College, herein after referred to as Dept.) Witnessed as follows: RECOGNISING the mutual interest in the fields of research, development, education, training, transfer of technology and dissemination of knowledge to the students of Dept. on a long term basis HEREBY agree to establish collaboration according to terms and conditions set out in the articles following hereunder. The two institutions in the Memorandum of Understanding will be PVT MERIT BIOLABS, Kochi & Department of Microbiology, Sree Sankara College, Kalady.



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Co-operation between the two institution may be established within any field related to science and technology of mutual interest and in particular in the fields of research, development, education, training and dissemination of knowledge to the students of Department on a long term basis .

ARTILE 2-ACADEMIC RESEARCH PROJECTS & TRAINING PROGRAMMES

1. Department will encourage students to join PVT Merit Biolabs for carrying out their Academic Projects.
2. The participating students will continue as students for degree of their parent Institution (Dept.) and will be enrolled as affiliate (or non-degree) students in the host institution (PVT MERIT BIOLABS).
3. For every student under Course program, the host institution will send Academic project work reports of the students in the courses to the parent institution at the end of the tenure/term.
4. Each student will be sent by the Dept. for the course program for a mutually approved duration of time.
5. The Dept. will nominate students for the course program, and forward relevant data concerning the students to the host institution. The host institution will decide on the acceptability of the student's nominated, and identify an appropriate supervisor. It is expected that the host institution will accept the nomination except in extraordinary circumstances; and in such cases the parent institution will submit another application for consideration.



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6. Every student under the program shall pursue their research program which is developed in consultation with the parent institution, and which is not in conflict with the regulations of the host institution. The appointed supervisor at the host institution will provide a report on the student to the parent institution on the completion of his/her tenure/term. However, the two supervisors will jointly guide the students, until they complete their theses and are awarded degrees.

7. Each student will have the rights and responsibilities enjoyed by other students on the host campus.

8. The host institution will provide assistance to students in finding appropriate accommodation.

9. Project fees of students have to be paid to the host institution, before the start of the academic project and no fee needs to be paid at the parent institution.

10. The faculty concerned of the Department will be responsible for arranging the study program of the student.

11. PVT Merit Biolabs will provide various training programmes for the benefit of the students in the dept. for a fees mutually agreed upon by the two institutions in the Department premises. The Dept. shall provide space and other amenities for providing such training programmes and the Faculty & course materials will be provided by Merit.

ARTICLE-3 MANAGEMENT AND ADMINISTRATION

1. Negotiation, implementation and co-operation of the Memorandum of Understanding fall under the responsibility of PVT Merit Biolabs, Kochi and department of Microbiology, Sree Sankara College, Kalady.

2. Issues about specific activities including rights and obligations of each party shall be notified or communicated to the offices mentioned above

3. The contact person mentioned above can nominate a member of the staff from within their institutions to co-ordinate the activities.

4. This memorandum of Understanding shall have a duration of three years and renewable for another three years, unless either party gives notice of termination not later than three months prior to the expiration of the existing Memorandum of Understanding. However, either party can also terminate by giving notice of termination not less than six months.

5. The Memorandum of Understanding will take effect upon ratification by the Proprietor of PVT Merit Biolabs and Head of Department, Department of Microbiology, Sree Sankara College, Kalady.

FOR PVT MERIT BIOLABS, KOCHI

Signature

PROB. MARKETING HEAD

Date

10/02/2023.

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FOR DEPARTMENT OF MICROBIOLOGY

Signature

Date 10/02/2023

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REPORT ON HACCP BASIC LEVEL TRAINING

HACCP (Hazard Analysis Critical Control Point) is an internationally accepted and proven methodology for ensuring safety of food consumed, so much so that even after 50 years of its existence HACCP remains as the backbone of all existing food safety management systems like ISO 22000, BRC, SQF and in regulatory requirements of a large number of countries. Hence, Postgraduate and Research Department of Microbiology Sree Sankara College, Kalady in association with Pvt Merit Biolabs conducted a basic HACCP training for the students on 9th and 10th January at Sree Chandrashekhara Bharati Seminar Hall. The training was particularly focused on students of Postgraduates on Microbiology. A total of 22 students attended the programme.

The two day program has covered the 7 Principles of HACCP, its implementation and maintenance in a food processing organization and also the concepts of GMP/PRP and food safety hazards and their control. The training was divided into 4 sessions dealing 4 different topics. The first session includes the introduction about the programme, basics about HACCP and introduction to food safety hazards, PRPs and HACCP. This session was for about half an hour and then a snack break was allotted. The second session was about implementation of HACCP which was completed on the second day. The training session was handled by Mr P Mohan and Mrs. Anu ma'am, the session was highly participative which includes practical and interactive activities which allows students to apply new knowledge and enhance their learning. The third session

was handled by Mrs. Anu ma'am and covered the general Microbiology. The last session was handled by Mr P Mohan and covered prerequisite programmes (PRPs) for HACCP and food safety hazards and control. One more session regarding the legal requirements about HACCP was meant to be taken but the time was limited so they provide a surface idea. Each student was provided with learning material in PDF format and training was with the help of PowerPoint presentation supported with group discussion and exercises. An exam was conducted after the session which contained 25 questions MCQ type and certificate were awarded upon successful completion of the training programme.