

LETTER OF INTENT  
BETWEEN

PURDUE UNIVERSITY  
On behalf of its College of Veterinary Medicine  
West Lafayette, Indiana, USA

AND

KITASATO UNIVERSITY  
School of Veterinary Medicine  
Towada, Aomori, Japan

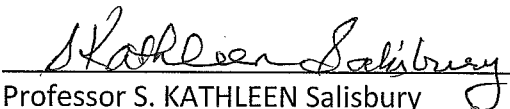
Based on AGREEMENT between Purdue University, USA and Kitasato University, Japan, exchange between Purdue University and Kitasato University is implemented as follows:

1. The parties agree to encourage the following activities, in particular to promote a higher level of international academic cooperation in veterinary medicine:
  - a) Explore opportunities for engaging faculty in both institutions in joint research activities that would take Kitasato-Purdue relationship to a higher level of scientific cooperation.
  - b) Development of joint proposals that invite funding for conducting joint research and for development of quality and innovative teaching programs.
  - c) Exchange of faculty, students, and research scholars.
    1. College of Veterinary Medicine at Purdue University shall accept up to eight students and their mentor for two weeks every year for clinical rotations.
    2. School of Veterinary Medicine at Kitasato University invites, every year, a faculty member from one of the three departments (Basic Medical Sciences, Clinical Sciences, and Comparative Pathobiology) of Purdue's College of Veterinary Medicine for up to 10 days at Kitasato's expense to give presentations to faculty and students and/or participate in the activities of the teaching hospital.
    3. Possibility of study abroad, service learning and research internship opportunities for Purdue's veterinary students at Kitasato University, Japan. Clinical experience and research experience of veterinarians, graduate students, and postdoctoral fellows from The College of Veterinary Medicine at Kitasato and clinical experience and research experience of graduate students and postdoctoral fellows from Kitasato University at Purdue.
    4. To further goals 2 and 3 above, College of Veterinary Medicine at Purdue University and School of Veterinary Medicine at Kitasato University may consider organizing a longer duration exchange (up to six weeks) of one DVM or graduate student per year at each institution to engage in more in depth clinical studies or a similar length research experience at the other institution, providing funds can be identified to support such experiences.
  - d) Conducting joint workshops and meetings for continuing education of faculty and veterinarians.
    1. College of Veterinary Medicine at Purdue University and School of Veterinary Medicine at Kitasato University may consider jointly organizing at least one joint workshop or meeting in the next five years. This would be dependent upon identification of funds to support such an endeavor.
    2. Before implementing these activities, the parties will discuss the opportunities and challenges presented and may thereafter enter into specific agreements based on the mutually agreed objectives and outcomes.
2. This Letter of Agreement forms the framework for cooperation between the parties to identify and achieve shared goals and objectives, and to facilitate and develop a genuine and mutually beneficial exchange process and research relationship. This Letter of Agreement is non-binding and does not impose any legal or financial obligations or liabilities on either party.

3. This Letter of Agreement shall remain in effect for five years from the date of final execution, unless (i) either party terminates sooner in accordance with Article 4 of this Letter of Agreement, or (ii) the joint activities contemplated by this Letter of Agreement are completed before the end of the five-year period. The parties may extend this Letter of Agreement beyond five years by mutual written agreement.
4. This Letter of Agreement may be terminated by either party by providing written notice to the other party at least 120 days prior to the date of termination. Activities in progress at the time of termination shall be permitted to conclude as planned unless otherwise agreed.
5. Kitasato will not use the name of Purdue, nor of any member of Purdue's program staff, in any publicity, advertising, or news release without the prior written approval of an authorized representative of Purdue. Purdue will not use the name of Kitasato, or any employee of Kitasato, in any publicity, advertising, or news release without the prior written approval of Kitasato.
6. All parties agree to comply with the relevant laws and regulations (including the laws and regulations in relation to Security Export Control in both countries).
7. All parties subscribe to policies of equal opportunity and will not discriminate on the basis of race, religion, color, sex, age, national origin or ancestry, marital status, parental status, sexual orientation, or disability status.
8. Each party shall designate a person or office to serve as liaison for implementing this Letter of Agreement. For Purdue, the contact person will be SHELDON Addison J, Lynn Hall, 625 Harrison Street West Lafayette Indiana 47907, and Email: [asheldon@purdue.edu](mailto:asheldon@purdue.edu), Tel 765-494-2930. For Kitasato, the contact person will be Dr. IWAI Satomi, Higashi 23-35-1, Towada Aomori 034-8628, Japan, and E-mail: [iwai@vmas.kitasato-u.ac.jp](mailto:iwai@vmas.kitasato-u.ac.jp), Tel 0176-23-4371.

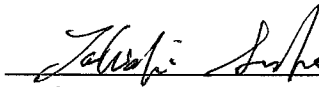
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**Signing for Purdue University**

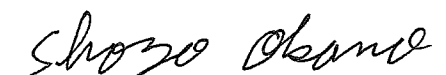
  
Professor S. KATHLEEN Salisbury  
Interim Dean, College of Veterinary Medicine  
Purdue University  
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Dec. 2, 2024  
Date

**Signing for Kitasato University**

  
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President,  
Kitasato University  
Shirokane, Tokyo, Japan

Oct. 31, 2024  
Date

  
Professor OKANO Shozo  
Dean, School of Veterinary Medicine  
Kitasato University  
Towada, Aomori, Japan

Oct. 23, 2024  
Date