Memorandum of Understanding Between HACETTEPE UNIVERSITY AND

THE REGENTS OF THE UNIVERSITY OF NEW MEXICO

In order to promote mutual cooperation and to extend mutual understanding, Hacettepe University, Ankara, Turkey and the University of New Mexico, Albuquerque, NM, USA, agree to enter into this general protocol.

- I- Hacettepe University and the University of New Mexico agree to cooperate on the following items, within the extent of the laws, regulations, internal policies, funding, and facilities pertinent to each party.
- 1) Promotion of joint research works including exchange of faculty and research members.
- 2) Development of student exchange programs and organization of programs granting dual diplomas in conformity with the legislation and regulations of both countries upon approval from the Turkish Council of Higher Education and from the pertinent officials at the University of New Mexico.
- 3) Exchange of academic research data and technical materials.
- 4) Cooperation in publication activities or cultural activities.
- 5) Organization of joint academic and scientific activities such as conferences, seminars, symposiums and congresses.
- II- Exchanges done within the joint research works shall be planned separately by taking into consideration each university's facilities and conditions; the rules and procedures of the exchange program shall be determined in a specific protocol between the parties.
- III- The academic exchanges described above shall be limited to legislation and regulations in force in each country and to the parties' respective budgetary resources and internal policies.
- IV- This general protocol shall not cause any binding financial obligation for either party.
- V- Signature of this general protocol shall not cause any obligation for either party to enter into any specific protocol relating to cooperation between two universities.
- VI- In case that research results impacting upon matters of intellectual property rights are expected to arise in the course of collaborative projects within the scope of this protocol, the parties shall enter into a specific protocol governing the conditions regarding the treatment of intellectual property rights so arising, prior to the start of the collaborative project in question.

VII- The execution of this general protocol shall be subject to the laws in force in each party's country. The parties are responsible for obtaining the required inhouse or other approvals in accordance with pertinent legislation and internal policies.

VIII- This general protocol shall be in effect for five years following the date of signature and shall automatically renew for successive five-year terms unless terminated as provided below. This general protocol may be complemented or amended by the written and common consent of authorized representatives of both universities and additional specific protocols. The Addenda or amendments will not be valid unless they are written and signed.

IX- Each party reserves the right to terminate this general protocol by issuing a written notice six months in advance to the other party. In that case, on-going projects shall be completed under the terms of the pertinent protocol.

X- All notices required hereunder shall be in writing and delivered by a duly authorized representative of the party giving the notice and sent by email transmission to the following addresses. Either party may change its email address for notice purposes by providing prior written notice to the other party. Any notice sent by email shall be deemed to have been delivered at the time of confirmation of receipt.

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This protocol shall become effective after signing by the authorized representatives of both parties. The parties shall sign four (4) originals of this Agreement, two (2) in English and two (2) in Turkish. Each party shall retain one original in each language. Any conflict between the English and Turkish versions will be resolved in favor of the English version.

Prof.Dr. A. Murat TUNCER

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Hacettepe University Ankara, Turkey

Date: 12,7015

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Date: March 20, 2015