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Università degli Studi di Cagliari

Dual Degree Ph.D. (DDP) Program Agreement between University of Cagliari, Italy and Taipei Medical University, Taiwan

Between

Ph.D. Program in Life, Environmental and Drug Sciences, University of Cagliari (UniCa),
VAT registration no. 80019600925, via Università no. 40 - 09124 Cagliari, Italy
Represented by its **Vice-Rector for International Affairs Prof. Alessandra Carucci** -
delegation conferred with Rector's decree no. 809 issued on 8th June 2015

And

**College of Medicine, Taipei Medical University (TMU), Taiwan, No. 250, Wuxing Street,
Xinyi District, 11031 Taipei City, Taiwan**
Represented by its **Dean, Prof. Han Bin Kuo**

Applicable to the corresponding degrees:

- *Dottore di Ricerca in Scienze della Vita dell'Ambiente e del Farmaco* (Doctor of Philosophy in Life, Environmental and Drug Sciences, UniCa, Italy)
- Doctor of Philosophy (Graduate Institute of Medical Sciences [GIMS], College of Medicine, Taipei Medical University, Taiwan) for TMU students of Taiwanese nationality or
Doctor of Philosophy (International Ph.D. Program in Medicine [IGPM], College of Medicine, Taipei Medical University, Taiwan) for TMU students of non-Taiwanese nationality and UniCa students

Preamble

1. Since 2015 common research has existed between TMU and UniCa in the field of Chinese herbal medicine and antiviral research with faculties in College of Pharmacy and College of Medicine. Four potential areas of collaboration are identified, and GIFT project in Neurosciences has been implemented.
2. An official cooperation framework agreement was signed between TMU and UniCa on April 20th, 2015. Four students from TMU participated in the Summer School "Innovative approaches for the identification of antiviral agents" organized by UniCa, from September 28th to October 3rd, 2016.
3. The official mutual recognition for Italian and Taiwanese Doctoral degrees and 2nd cycle degrees, encourages the partners to cooperate more closely by awarding a Ph.D. Dual Degree

Management of the program

Each partner should appoint a local academic coordinator from amongst the academic staff teaching in the program, who is responsible for - (1) ensuring that the requirements of their home universities are met; (2) managing the dual program efficiently in collaboration with partner coordinator; and (3) coordinating the program management (including recruitment procedures, examinations and assessments) with local administrative representatives (including institution for international academic relationships, course board and registrar offices).

The governing board of this dual program is composed of the 2 program-coordinators and the boards of programs involved from each Institution.

Each institution will afford the mobility of its staff inherent to this partnership, although most meetings should be organized via video-conference if possible.

The details set out below are in accordance with the following:

- For TMU, the Taipei Medical University Dual Diploma Program Implementation Measures (July 4th, 2016), the Taipei Medical University Students Overseas Training Guidelines (April 8th, 2016) regarding joint doctoral training, and the University Act of Taipei Medical University (December 5th, 2017).
- For UniCa, the rules and regulations for doctoral studies and abroad stay components currently in force.

Description of the Program

Article 1 – Duration of the Student’s Mobility

The duration of the program of the study in the partner Country will be 9-18 months full-time equivalent.

Article 2 – Admission Procedure and Criteria

The students will be recruited either by UniCa or TMU before the beginning of the PhD program.

The students should express the intent to be enrolled into the dual PhD program at the latest by the end of their PhD1 and follow the application submission deadline.

The language of both degrees is **English**. Within each institution, the selection criteria will be in place to ensure that the capacities and potential of each candidate will enable them to make progress and succeed within an international university context.

Candidates preparing a Doctoral degree from **Ph.D. Program in Life, Environmental and Drug Sciences, University of Cagliari, Italia** and **Ph.D. Program from the Graduate Institute of Medical Sciences or International Ph.D. Program in Medicine, Taipei Medical University, Taiwan** with a strong motivation to participate to the success of the partnership are invited to apply.

According to the Regulations of each Institution, applications may include:

- a motivation letter,
- one letter of reference;
- copies of all university-level diplomas;

- up-to-date authenticated transcripts with results of previous university-level courses;
- official documentation from the student's current university confirming they are enrolled and expected to finalize their ongoing course at the end of their PhD2 academic year (for TMU students).

All documents should be written or officially translated to English.

- In addition, all students are expected to have an acceptable skill-level in spoken and written (scientific) English. An appropriate knowledge of English can also be demonstrated through internationally recognized qualifications (e.g. IELTS). European level B2, or equivalent, will be required.

To be admitted by UniCa for the DDP, TMU students should meet the following criteria:

- i. Approval by the Ph.D. office of UniCa
- ii. Get admitted by a research laboratory at UniCa
- iii. Authorization by the Academic Board of the PhD Program at UniCa

To be admitted by TMU for the DDP, UniCa students should meet the following criteria:

- i. Approval by the Ph.D. Dual Degree office of TMU
- ii. Get admitted by a research laboratory of TMU
- iii. Authorization by the Academic Board of the PhD Program at UniCa

Coordinators will decide deadlines for application in order to ensure the recruitment procedures as defined in both institutions.

They will evaluate the application in coordination with the local board of involved program and inform the partner coordinator of pre-selection results. The latter will, in turn, evaluate the application with the local board of involved program in partner institution. If necessary, video-transmitted interview of candidate(s) can be organized on demand of at least one of the coordinators or boards.

The selection criteria are common to all students and relate primarily on study results and motivation.

A notification of selection results should be made in accordance with application procedures of each Institution. The selected students will then be personally contacted by the coordinator of the expected host Institution.

From the signed date of this agreement, the maximum number of students enrolled in the program will be 2 from each institution. This number may be reviewed every year at the request of one or both of the partner institutions. If it is not reviewed, the number will remain as stated in the present agreement.

Article 3 – Registration and Enrolment Fees

Students should register in their home institution for the complete PhD duration and in the host institution for 9-18 months in order to allow for delivery of a completed dual diploma workload at the end of the program.

Students must pay all relevant fees to their home institution only. Students enrolled in either TMU or UniCa must demonstrate access to social security and health insurance.

Each institution should help enrolled students in their initiatives to apply for any financial support.

Article 4 – Guidance and Learning Schedule

In order to optimize the pathway of each student, according to his/her prerequisites and professional expectation, a learning schedule will be defined by the coordinators before the mobility.

In particular, coordinators and local boards will also define the doctoral-thesis subject or topic along with supervisor based on:

- (1) student interest as exposed in motivational letter;
- (2) student professional-project,
- (3) timeliness and relevance of the research project to be sure that it will be suitable for carrying out a high-quality research project in terms of scientific output and complementary skill training. Research project co-supervised by scientists from both institutions should be favored.

Article 5 – Structure of the Dual Program and Mobility Schedule

The DDP has a workload of:

- 18 credits at TMU Graduate Institute of Medical Sciences or the International Ph.D. Program in Medicine, including mandatory credits, elective credits, and dissertation credits

- 40 credits at UniCa, including course-based units, presentation of annual research results to professors' board.

The program is full-time and runs over at least 3 academic years.

TMU and UniCa students are expected to validate at least 18 credits (see examinations and assessments below and Appendix 1) at TMU.

TMU and UniCa students are expected to validate at least 40 credits (see examinations and assessments below and Appendix 2) in UniCa.

A conversion and equivalence chart is detailed in Appendix 1 for credit accumulation at both institutions and credit transfer.

The research training and/or preparation of the doctoral thesis or the work placement can be conducted at either or both institutions.

Student will follow the units as listed in Appendix 1 (according to the recruitment conditions below and the non-sequential schedules of the proposed courses).

Article 6 – Examinations and Assessments

The students must comply with the program and examination regulations in force in the partner Institution in which they are studying.

Examination includes written exam complemented by seminar presentation/discussions, project work, laboratory and/or fields reports. Details for each course will be made available to each candidate by both institutions at the beginning of the program. All examinations will take place in the institution where the units are taught.

Each partner undertakes to keep appropriate records of the students attending the program at their Institution and to provide all students and partners the certification of the student's career.

Each partner will report to the coordinators on the progress of the students, the number of credits obtained and the marks through the transcript of records released in English before established local deadlines, so to ensure student achievements would be validate on date in home institution.

Qualifying Exam: TMU students from the Graduate Institute of Medical Sciences are required to complete their qualifying exam at TMU.

TMU students from the International Ph.D. Program in Medicine and UniCa students can choose to do their qualifying exam (in the form of their thesis research progress) at TMU or perform a similar test at UniCa.

English Certification: UniCa students are required to obtain a B2 level certificate before the completion of the program. TMU students must provide proof of English proficiency prior to entering the DDP.

A single Doctoral Thesis Defense Committee and Oral Examination will be organized at only one location (either UniCa or TMU) in accordance with the regulations of both institutions. To receive the doctoral degree, awarded separately by UniCa and TMU, the student who entered the Program must complete all courses and meet all requirements from the institutions during the designated study period, including completion of the final oral defense.

For TMU students, the requirements for doctoral degree at TMU are:

- Graduate Institute of Medical Sciences: 2 published manuscripts (top 50% of the field) or 1 published manuscript (IF \geq 5 or top 10% of the field) as sole first author. Under circumstances of equal contribution as co-first authors, the IF is divided by the number of equal contributors and the resulting quotient must be \geq 5 in order to be counted.
- International Ph.D. Program in Medicine: 1 published manuscript (top 50% of the field) as sole first author. Under circumstances of equal contribution as co-first authors, the number of manuscript is divided by the number of equal contributors.

For UniCa students, the requirements for doctoral degree at TMU are:

- 1 published manuscript (top 50% of the field) as sole first author. Under circumstances of equal contribution as co-first authors, the number of manuscript is divided by the number of equal contributors.

In order to be admitted to the final exam, the thesis has to be evaluated by two external highly qualified reviewers, belonging to Italian/foreign Institutions not participating in the PhD programs mentioned in this agreement, and appointed by the Academic Boards of the two Universities involved.

The reviewers write a first evaluation of the thesis:

A: thesis accepted without modifications or with minor revisions to be provided;

B: thesis not accepted, since the research must be improved (external members write their motivations and suggest modifications). In that case, the reviewers express an opinion in writing, indicating the changes or corrections to be made in order to improve the thesis in view of the oral examination; they also propose to postpone the defence for a maximum of 6 months. Once revised, the thesis will be admitted to the defence, together with a new evaluation made by the external reviewers.

The reviewers will not take part in the final exam.

After the completion of the above requirements and a successful single thesis defense with juries from TMU and UniCa, UniCa will award a degree entitled Doctor of Philosophy and TMU will award a degree entitled Doctor of Philosophy.

The nomination of the Doctoral Thesis Defense Committee must comply with the regulations in force at the university where the defense takes place, ensuring that PhD thesis supervisors will be included as members of the Doctoral Thesis Defense Committee. The Doctoral Thesis Defense Committee will be composed of five members, including the PhD thesis supervisor and co-advisor from the respective institution.

Lack of Completion of Doctoral Degree: If a student has been admitted to the partner institution and begins his or her coursework yet is unable, for any reason, to complete the academic requirements for a doctoral degree, such student may, if permitted by the home institutions, return to the home institution to continue and complete his or her doctoral degree. Any credit hours earned from the partner institution

may be transferred to the home institution in accordance with the regulations of such home institution. However, in such case, only a single doctoral degree will be awarded (by the home institution).

Student's Rights and Responsibilities

Article 7 – General Outlines

The students' rights and responsibilities are the same as those valid for each degree student at the Institution where the student is studying at the time. The student must comply with the demands of the Institution in question with regard to the documentation required for registration procedures and eventual visa purposes.

Institutions will provide, through the coordinators, appropriate information to students about the academic requirements, the services for the mobility, the administrative requirements and the financial regulations the mobility implies.

Article 8 – Secret and Publications

Without an agreement written beforehand from UniCa or TMU, the student is expressly forbidden from sharing with a third party, under any form, information relative to knowledge of UniCa, or relative to research or results obtained by the LABORATORY, to which the PhD student would have had access during the course of his/her stay at UniCa.

The specifications do not apply to information for which it would be possible for the student to prove:

- that they shared the information after having obtained preliminary written authorization from UniCa or TMU;
- that the information was accessible to the public at the time that it was shared, or that it had been made so after being communicated without fault on his or her behalf;
- that its sharing was imposed by the application of an imperative law or regulation, a definitive court decision or an arbitral award. In this case, the student must, as far as possible, alert the LABORATORY beforehand and, if need be, request the application of all measures or procedures for confidentiality possible in the given circumstances.

All communication or publication by the student of information about his/her activity on the premises of the LABORATORY or about the RESULTS obtained by him or her during the abroad stay should be submitted to UniCa or TMU prior to release for authorization or modification. It shall be understood that the contribution of UniCa or TMU should be mentioned in the aforementioned communications or publications.

Article 9 – Ownership of Results

Each party shall remain the owner of knowledge, whether patented or not, that it held before the present agreement takes effect or that it obtained outside of the agreement's framework. Neither party may obtain the rights to the aforementioned knowledge of the other party under the present convention, except to the right to use this knowledge in order to carry out RESEARCH. The PhD student will inform UniCa and TMU of the existence of RESULTS. The PhD student, UniCa and TMU will decide together the distribution of their shares of co-ownership, as well as whether or not it is necessary to protect the RESULTS with a certificate of industrial property. It is the responsibility of the parties to distribute the shares of ownership with the supervising institutions of the LABORATORY, notably by applying any specific agreements established between them.

In the case that UniCa and TMU would become co-owners of the RESULTS, they commit to specifying, in a separate agreement, the terms of management for the property and the usage of the aforementioned RESULTS.

Article 10 – Services

Students participating in the mobility program shall benefit from all services offered by the host university. The services should be the same as those given to regular students at the respective Institution. In addition to the regular services offered by each Institution, each partner undertakes to provide ad hoc services to non-EU students including: support for obtaining visas and residence permits; support for, local language courses, special integration activities, etc.

To the extent possible, UniCa will assist incoming students in arranging suitable housing accommodations by providing a listing of possible living locations. The student shall be responsible for the accommodation costs. At TMU, students may apply for student dormitory or rent off-campus apartments. The student shall be responsible for the accommodation costs.

Each party will endeavor to ensure that each TMU or UniCa student is suitably prepared for his/her overseas experience at TMU or UniCa, in academics as well as in appropriate matters of health and medicine, language preparation, local customs and all other issues that may ease the learning and transition to university life at UniCa or TMU.

Article 11 – Accommodation

Each institution must help the students from the partner institution in its efforts regarding accommodation, within the limits of local availability.

Article 12 – Insurance

The member institutions undertake to cover each student admitted to the study program with insurance coverage for any accidents incurred within the university buildings and third-party liability for damage, which they may involuntarily cause to a person or their properties.

Students are required to obtain the appropriate health insurance if so required. Each institution undertakes to provide appropriate information to students for their registration in the national health system or for the provision of other kinds of health insurance, which may be required either before their arrival or once they have registered at the hosting institution.

Article 13 – Prevention and Security

The institutions shall provide each mobility program participant with detailed information about the specific risk existing in the work environment in which they will operate and carry out their functions and will provide the necessary documentation about the prevention and emergency security measures and provisions in force in relation to their activities and about the individuals/subjects in charge of this, in conformity with the legislative norms and regulations in force in the country of the hosting Institution.

Promotion of the Program

The promotion of the program is the responsibility of all the partners. Each member institution agrees to use of its name and logo for the purpose of promotional material, program literature and other documentation of the program. The strategy for promoting the program will be discussed annually by the Board and includes at least a webpage on the website of the institutions dedicated to the program.

Financial Conditions

As far as possible, the mobility for students and staff will be made within the different programs of funding in the home institution and home country. Mission expenses for staff will be borne by the staff or home university according to existing regulations.

Written Notice

All official communication between the parties under this Agreement shall be by written notice and shall be sent via email to the other party at the following email address:

Ph.D. Programs and Professional Masters Office at UniCa: dottoratiemaster@unica.it
TMU: Dr. Shih-Bin Fang, sbfang@tmu.edu.tw

In the event that one party changes its principal point of contact, as set forth above, it shall immediately inform the other party in writing and the new principal point of contact shall be substituted for the contact listed herein.

Disputes and Applicable Law

The institutions shall take every possible measure to solve any dispute amicably. The interpretation of this Agreement and the adjudication of any claim or dispute arising there from, shall be in accordance with the laws of the country of the defending party and each and every cause of action shall be regarded as having arisen within the jurisdiction of the courts of the country of the defending party.

Nothing in this agreement shall be deemed to require a partner to breach any mandatory statutory law under which that partner is operating.

Privacy and Data Protection

Partners shall act as autonomous controller of personal data with regard to their activities, in accordance with EU Regulation 2016/679 (General Data Protection Regulation – GDPR) and the Italian current legislation.

In their areas of responsibility, each Partner is required to comply with and enforce the provisions set in GDPR and the measures required by law on this issue, without any additional burden for the other Partner.

Each Partner shall be held liable for any breach of the provisions set in GDPR and this article, if caused by controllers and processors. They should also ensure to indemnify the other Partner from any damage, burden or cost, reimbursement and compensation to third parties resulting from a non-observance on Privacy provisions.

Duration of the Agreement

The present agreement enters into force for a period of 5 years and starts in the 2019/2020 academic year and will be effective upon the date of signature by duly authorized representatives of both Institutions.

Any cooperating university may withdraw from this agreement, giving six (6) months' written notice to the other institutions. However, students who have commenced their studies at any of the cooperating university at the date of termination are entitled to complete their courses of study and the program at all institutions.

If all cooperating institutions should agree to terminate the joint study program, all the cooperating institutions are obliged to make arrangements for all students who have commenced their studies to complete their courses of study and the program in a satisfactory way

The agreement may be renewed at the end of this period, subject to specific modifications (program

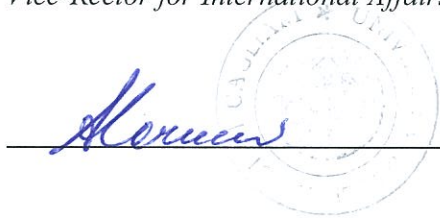
content, recruitment procedures, etc.) by one or both Institutions, one year before the date of renewal. The institutions retain the right to modify or terminate the present agreement by simple mutual consent, subject to the completion of the program embarked on by the students participating in the double degree program.

Signed in Cagliari,

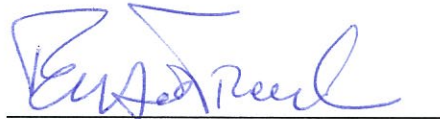
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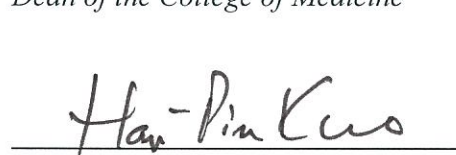


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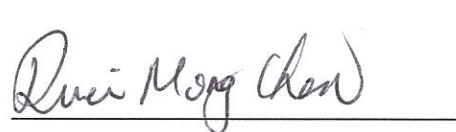
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Prof. Han Bin Kuo
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Director, International Graduate Program in Medicine



APPENDIX 1 – Doctoral courses and required units for DDP

Location of Teaching	TMU Graduate Institute of Medical Sciences (GIMS)	UniCa
School Score To Be Completed In Each Institution	18 CREDITS (Comprising 4 mandatory credits, 2 elective credits, and 12 dissertation credits)	40 CREDITS (comprising of 10 mandatory course credits + 30 credits from accumulated elective courses/activities listed in APPENDIX 2)
Curriculum	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mandatory classes (4 credits): <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Seminars (2 semesters, 2 credits) 2. Core classes (2 credits): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Additional Group Specific Core Class (2 credits) 3. Research ethics (0 credit) • Elective class (2 credits) • Dissertation (12 credits) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mandatory courses (10 credits): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Research Design and Academic Writing/Presentations - EU Research Activities and Licensing - Biostatistics • Research activities (30 credits): Accumulated credits of elective courses / seminars / additional training activities from APPENDIX 2
Subtotal	6 course credits + 12 dissertation credits = 18 TMU credits	**UniCa 40 credits are equivalent to 16 TMU non-dissertation credits = 40 UniCa credits (obtain 16 TMU credits)
Total	TMU + UniCa = 34 TMU CREDITS	

Course Credit Equivalence

**Courses and research activities taken at UniCa (40 credits) will be used to waive the equivalent 16 credits from TMU.

TMU (16 credits)	UniCa (40 credits)
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. [Mandatory] 31950081 Research Designs for Basic Medical Sciences (2 credits) 2. [Mandatory] 31950010 Advanced Paper Writing (2 credits) 3. [Mandatory] A0140003 Seminar (1 credit) 4. [Mandatory] A0140004 Seminar (1 credit) 5. [Elective] 3425E017 Course Design for Problem-Based Learning (2 credits) 6. [Elective] 31950057 Special Topics in Medical Research (2 credits) 7. [Elective] 3425E004 Medical Molecular Imaging (2 credits) 8. [Elective] A0130001; A0130002 Moon-Shan Biomedical Research Forum (2 credits) 9. [Elective] A0150002 Medical Statistics (2 credits) 	<p><u>Mandatory Courses: 10 credits</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Research Design and Academic Writing/Presentations 2. EU Research Activities and Licensing 3. Biostatistics <p><u>Research Activities: 30 credits</u> Accumulated credits of elective courses / seminars / additional training activities from APPENDIX 2</p>

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Location of Teaching	TMU International Ph.D. Program in Medicine (IGPM)	UniCa
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Total	TMU + UniCa = 34 TMU CREDITS	

Course Credit Equivalence

**Courses and research activities taken at UniCa (40 credits) will be used to waive the equivalent 16 credits from TMU.

TMU (16 credits)	UniCa (40 credits)
1. [Mandatory] 3425E001 Research Design (2 credits) 2. [Mandatory] A0140003 Seminar (1 credit) 3. [Mandatory] A0140004 Seminar (1 credit) 4. [Elective] 3425E011 Advanced Paper Writing (2 credits) 5. [Elective] 3425E017 Course Design for Problem-Based Learning (2 credits) 6. [Elective] 3425E004 Medical Molecular Imaging (2 credits) 7. [Elective] 3425E009 Animal models for human disease (2 credits) 8. [Elective] 3425E005 Clinical Trials (2 credits) 9. [Elective] A054E001 Applied Statistics [2 credits]	<u>Mandatory Courses: 10 credits</u> 1. Research Design and Academic Writing/Presentations 2. EU Research Activities and Licensing 3. Biostatistics <u>Research Activities: 30 credits</u> Accumulated credits of elective courses / seminars / additional training activities from APPENDIX 2

APPENDIX 2

Credits to be obtained per year at UniCa

Mandatory activity	Description	1st year	2nd year	3rd year
Courses	Participation in mandatory and optional courses	10*	6*	0
Seminar	Active participation: presentation of the results of own research	10	10	10
Seminar	Passive participation: attending colleagues' presentations	5	5	5
Test (intermediate)	Specific tutor meeting	5	5	5
Test (intermediate)	Presentation of annual research results to professors' board	15	15	0
Test (final)	Presentation of annual research and thesis contents to professors' board	0	0	15
English	Obtaining a B2 level certificate	0	0	4**
Other	Publications, participation in congresses/workshops/stages	0	0	5
	Total of mandatory credits***	45	41	39
Optional activity	Description			
Courses	Optional courses	Max 10	Max 10	0
Other	Participation in presentations of research activity of colleagues from a different curriculum or in courses which are mandatory for other curriculum students = 0.5 Credits/hour of seminar	Max10	Max 10	Max 10
Research activity	Publications, participation in congress/workshops/stages	At will	At will	At will
Training activity	Participation in seminars = 0.5 Credits/hour of seminar	Max 10	Max 10	Max 10
Abroad stay	Periods from 1 to 18 months	At will	At will	At will
	Total of optional credits	15	19	21
<p>*The division (10 + 6) of mandatory courses credits between the first and the second year is an example: the total of 16 credits can be distributed between the two years at will, in accordance with the tutor</p> <p>**The English certificate could be obtained in any of the years of the PhD</p> <p>***The student is exempted from obtaining the credits from a mandatory activity only if he/she is abroad for research/training during the period in which the activity is planned. The "presentation of annual research results to professors' board" remains mandatory in any case</p>				

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Credits value of activities

International journal publication	CFU 6, 10 if first or last name
National journal publication	CFU 3, 4 if first or last name
Charter of book from international editor	CFU 5, 10 if first or last name
Charter of book from national editor	CFU 2, 3 if first or last name
International congress participation	CFU 2
National congress participation	CFU 1
Poster presentation to an international congress	CFU 3 first name, 2 other position (+ 2 for participation)
Poster presentation to a national congress	CFU 2 first name, 1 other position (+ 1 for participation)
Oral presentation to an international congress	CFU5 (+ 2 for participation)
Oral presentation to a national congress	CFU 3 (+ 1 for participation)
National workshop or stage	CFU 2 / day
International workshop or stage	CFU 3 / day
Abroad stay	CFU 5 / month

APPENDIX 3 – Mobility Schedule

► (1) Example of Mobility Schedule for UniCa Students

Year	Semester	Location	UniCa Student Activity
PhD1	Fall	UniCa	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Curriculum in Progress
	Spring	UniCa	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Curriculum in Progress
	Summer	UniCa	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Curriculum in Progress <u>Before August</u>: Presentation of annual research results to professors' board
PhD2	Fall	UniCa	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Curriculum in Progress <u>September</u>: Program Application <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Dual Degree application to TMU Application for the intended Ph.D. Program at TMU
	Spring	TMU / UniCa	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <u>February/March</u>: Eligible to start the abroad stay at TMU Curriculum in Progress
	Summer	TMU / UniCa	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Curriculum in Progress
PhD3	Fall	TMU / UniCa	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <u>September</u>: Presentation of annual research results to professors' board Curriculum in Progress
	Spring	UniCa / TMU	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Curriculum in Progress
	Summer	UniCa / TMU	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Curriculum in Progress <u>May - July</u>: Presentation of annual research and thesis contents to professors' board Graduation

► (2) Example of Mobility Schedule for TMU Students in Ph.D. Program in Graduate Institute of Medical Sciences (GIMS)

Year	Semester	Location	TMU Student Activity
PhD1	Fall	TMU	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Curriculum in Progress
	Spring	TMU	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Curriculum in Progress
	Summer	TMU	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Curriculum in Progress <u>June</u>: Program Application <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Dual Degree application to UniCa Application for the intended Ph.D. Program at UniCa
PhD2	Fall	TMU / UniCa	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <u>September/October</u>: Eligible to start the abroad stay at UniCa [Option] Qualifying exam at TMU
	Spring	TMU / UniCa	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Curriculum in Progress [Option] Qualifying exam at TMU
	Summer	TMU / UniCa	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Curriculum in Progress [Option] Qualifying exam at TMU
PhD3	Fall	UniCa / TMU	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Curriculum in Progress [Option] Qualifying exam at TMU
	Spring	UniCa / TMU	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Curriculum in Progress [Option] Qualifying exam at TMU
	Summer	UniCa / TMU	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Curriculum in Progress [Option] Qualifying exam at TMU <u>May-June</u>: Presentation of annual research results to professors' board

PhD4	Fall	TMU / UniCa	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Curriculum in Progress • [Option] Qualifying exam at TMU
	Spring	TMU / UniCa*	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Curriculum in Progress • [Option] <u>February</u> - <u>April</u>: Presentation of annual research and thesis contents to professors' board
	Summer	TMU / UniCa*	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Curriculum in Progress • [Option] <u>May - July</u>: Presentation of annual research and thesis contents to professors' board • Graduation

*TMU students may also choose to complete their program at UniCa if they meet the requirement from both institutions as detailed in this agreement. In such case, it is the **student's responsibility** to ensure that the necessary paperwork and documentation concerning oversea thesis defense, thesis submission, and degree completion procedures conform to TMU regulations. All documents must arrive by the deadline set by TMU to ensure completion of the degree.

► (3) Example of Mobility Schedule for TMU Students in International Ph.D. Program in Medicine (IGPM)

Year	Semester	Location	TMU Student Activity
PhD1	Fall	TMU	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Curriculum in Progress
	Spring	TMU	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Curriculum in Progress
	Summer	TMU	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Curriculum in Progress <u>June</u>: Program Application <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Dual Degree application to UniCa Application for the intended Ph.D. Program at UniCa
PhD2	Fall	UniCa / TMU	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <u>September/October</u>: Eligible to start the abroad stay at UniCa Curriculum in Progress
	Spring	UniCa / TMU	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Curriculum in Progress [Option] Qualifying exam at UniCa / TMU
	Summer	UniCa / TMU	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Curriculum in Progress [Option] Qualifying exam at UniCa / TMU
PhD3	Fall	TMU / UniCa	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Curriculum in Progress [Option] Qualifying exam at UniCa / TMU
	Spring	TMU / UniCa*	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Curriculum in Progress [Option] <u>February - April</u>: Presentation of annual research and thesis contents to professors' board
	Summer	TMU / UniCa*	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Curriculum in Progress [Option] <u>May - July</u>: Presentation of annual research and thesis contents to professors' board Graduation

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APPENDIX 4 – Contacts

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