

## International Cooperation Agreement

### BETWEEN:

#### **TRANSPLANTATIONS COORDINATING CENTRE**

(Koordinační středisko transplantací)  
with its registered seat at Ruska 85, Prague 10, Czech Republic  
represented by its Director, Mr. Martin Holcat, M.D., M.B.A.  
(furthermore only as KST);

and

#### **HUNGAROTRANSPLANT Psc.**

(HTP)  
with its registered seat at 1023 Budapest, Gárdonyi Géza u. 20/b, Hungary  
represented by its director general, Joseph Borsi, MD, DrSc, PhD  
(furthermore only as HTP);

### PREAMBULUM AND BACKGROUND CONSIDERATIONS:

1. The Prague Declaration of the Ministers of Health of countries newly acceding the European Union, adopted in Prague, Czech Republic, on 2nd April, 2004, constituted the EUROPEAN TRANSPLANT NETWORK (hereinafter as ETN) to be an official intergovernmental organization of participating countries for mutual cooperation in the field of transplantations;
2. The Republic of Hungary and the Czech Republic are member states of ETN, taking part in its activities and further enhancement of its role;
3. On the basis of national legislation or other official documents, HTP is authorized to participate in international cooperation in organ donation and transplantation related matters;
4. On the basis of the Czech Transplantations Act No. 285/2002 Coll., as amended, KST has been set up as an official governmental body to ensure and coordinate international co-laboration in exchange of tissues and organs designated for transplantation.
5. It is recognized that Hungarotransplant is responsible in Hungary for logistics and organization of organ donation procedures, including procurement and quality assurance, and for the availability of the 24 hrs. duty desk to coordinate donation procedures.

6. It is acknowledged by both organizations that international exchange of tissues and organs designated exclusively for the purpose of transplantation is acceptable only under the following conditions:
  - a. it is aimed at either finding the best suitable recipient or saving the life of a patient waiting for transplantation if his/her life is directly jeopardized, and
  - b. either of the above conditions shall apply only on the basis of membership in an international transplantations organization.
  
7. It is acknowledged by both organizations, that an offer of tissue or organ to abroad within the framework of international exchange of tissues and organs as mentioned above is possible only under the following conditions:
  - a. a suitable recipient is not registered in the National Waiting Lists, or
  - b. the offer is made on the basis of membership in an international transplantations organization.
  
8. Both organizations accept and respect the "Organ Exchange Agreement between European Organ Exchange Organizations" approved by the European Organ Exchange organizations in Caldes, April 1st, 2004, whereas within the framework of international exchange, tissue and/or organ for transplantation from abroad can only be accepted under the following conditions:
  - a. the tissue or organ was procured by a duly authorized medical facility and the procurement was in full accordance with legislative requirements in the country of origin; and
  - b. medical capability of the donor was duly evaluated prior to the procurement; and
  - c. the donor's medical records relating to the procurement must be fully traceable.
  - d. Both Parties should provide all necessary forms and information relating to traceability of allocated tissue and/or organ upon request of the other Party
  - e. Procured organs and/or tissue shall in no way be a source of financial profit or any other advantages for any individual or legal entity. Trading and trafficking human organs and/or tissues are strictly prohibited.
  - f. The organizations guarantee observance to the existing laws of organ donation and organ exchange applicable in their countries.

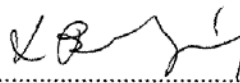
NOW THEREFORE IT IS HEREBY AGREED AS FOLLOWS:

1. KST and HTP shall act in harmony with the main purpose of ETN, particularly (a) to ensure and promote donation of organs and tissues in quantity, safety and transparency, (b) to ensure and promote proper use of organs and/or tissues procured for transplantation within each of the member states.
2. HTP and KST wish to develop a close collaboration for mutual benefit of transplant recipients.
3. Securing the above aims, KST and HTP undertake to participate in creating common educational programs, to strive for adopting common quality and safety standards, and to develop an optimum sharing policy including procurement details and conditions, principles of reciprocity and cost conditions.
4. KST and HTP undertake to work together to create conditions for proper use of transplantable organs within the shortest possible time on the basis of mutual exchange. Within these commitments, KST and HTP may utilize - if necessary - the European Gate, set up by ETN in Rome in order to coordinate transplantations between the ETN member states.
5. This Agreement constitutes the entire agreement between the Parties and supersedes all prior negotiations, representations, proposals and undertakings, whether written or oral, relating to the subject matter of this agreement.
6. Should any of the conditions or obligations of either Party become ineffective or invalid due to a change in national legislation, the remaining clauses shall remain in effect, whilst the Parties shall endeavour themselves to reach a suitable solution at the shortest possible time.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF the Parties hereto have executed this Agreement by their duly authorized representatives on the 1st day of January, 2006.

SIGNED:  
for and on behalf of KST  
by Mr. Martin Holcát, M.D., M.B.A.

SIGNED:  
for and on behalf of HTP  
by Joseph D. Borsi, M.D., Ph.D., Dr.Sc.



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