MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

BETWEEN

UNIVERSITY OF YORK

AND

FACULTY OF MEDICINE, KHON KAEN UNIVERSITY

This non-binding memorandum of understanding ("MOU") is made on between:

- 1) UNIVERSITY OF YORK, whose address is Heslington, York, YO10 5DD, United Kingdom; and
- 2) FACULTY OF MEDICINE, KHON KAEN UNIVERSITY, whose address is 123, Mittraphap Road, Khon Kaen, 40002, Kingdom of Thailand.

(individually a "Party" and collectively referred to as the "Parties")

1. PURPOSE AND CONTEXT

- 1.1. This MOU has been devised in recognition of the particular roles of the Parties in research and academic exchange. The Institutions share a commitment to advancement of teaching, research, development and innovation.
- 1.2. The context is defined by common interests in biomedical research.
- 1.3. Within this overall context the Memorandum of Understanding will focus on the value that can be achieved through working in collaboration to secure achievement of shared aims and objectives.

2. AIMS AND OBJECTIVES

- 2.1. The overarching aim of the MOU is to enable the Parties to work together to enhance their respective interests in biomedical research, including but not limited to the impact of inflammation on other disease processes.
- 2.2. The objectives are to:
 - Conduct collaborative research at both institutions
 - Conduct collaborative teaching at both institutions
 - Submit collaborative research grants

- Exchange of academic information and materials
- Reciprocal research visits by faculty, researchers and administrative staff

3. PARTNERSHIP MANAGEMENT

3.1. The Parties will discuss collaboration options through meetings and dedicated workshops. These will either be virtual or physical when necessary and practical.

4. LIAISON

The persons responsible for the maintenance of this relationship are:

At the University of York – Miss Rebecca Chalkley, YBRI Research Facilitator, Department of Biology, <u>rebecca.chalkley@york.ac.uk</u>

At Khon Kaen University -

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Assoc. Prof. Watcharin Loilome, Cholangiocarcinoma Research Institute, Khon Kaen University, <u>watclo@kku.ac.th</u>

5. DURATION

- 5.1. This MOU takes effect on the last date of signing for a period of five years.
- 5.2. A Party may terminate this MOU at any time upon ninety days' written notice to the other Party.

6. GENERAL PROVISIONS

- 6.1. This MOU is not intended to be legally binding. To the extent that any legal issue arises in connection with this MOU, this MOU shall be interpreted in accordance with English law and shall be subject to the exclusive jurisdiction of the English courts.
- 6.2. If the Parties desire to share confidential information, they shall first execute a binding confidential disclosure agreement.
- 6.3. Nothing in this MOU affects a Party's ownership of any intellectual property rights, or creates any right, interest or licence in any intellectual property owned or licensed by a Party.

- 6.4. Any collaborations arising out of this relationship shall be subject to a separate legally binding written agreement.
- 6.5. The Parties acknowledge that this MOU is not exclusive. Each Party may enter into similar agreements with other entities for the same or similar purposes.
- 6.6. No Party may use the name or logo of another Party, or any variation thereof, without express prior written consent of the other Party.
- 6.7. Nothing in this MOU shall be construed as creating a partnership or agency relationship between the Parties. No Party can commit any other Party financially or otherwise to a third party.
- 6.8. The Parties shall each bear their own costs in carrying out the actions of the MOU, unless otherwise agreed separately between the Parties.

This non-binding understanding between the Parties has been signed by their authorised representatives.

For and on behalf of the University of York

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Signature:

For and on behalf of Faculty of Medicine, Khon Kaen University

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Name: Michael Gwinnett Position: Head of Research and Knowledge Position: Dean Exchange Contracts (RKEC) 23.06.2021 Date:

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Name: Assoc. Prof. Apichat Jiravuttipong, MD

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