



MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

**Systemic Lupus Erythematosus Registry Agreement
Rheumatology Research Center (RRC), Tehran University of Medical
Sciences (TUMS) and Autoimmune Diseases Research Center (ADRC),
Kashan University of Medical Sciences (KUMS)**

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Introduction

Rheumatology Research Centre (RRC), Tehran University of Medical Sciences (TUMS) is mainly based in the Shariati Hospital in Tehran. A registry software is established for different rheumatic diseases, including Systemic Lupus Erythematosus in RRC.

RHEUMATRY program is conducted by Rheumatology Research Center (RRC). Prof. Ahmadreza Jamshidi is the manager of RRC and RRC representative.

RHEUMATRY (<http://rheumatry.com>) is a web software of registry for all rheumatic diseases including Rheumatoid Arthritis, Ankylosing Spondylitis, Systemic Sclerosis, Systemic Lupus Erythematosus, Behcet's Disease, and etc. founded by Ministry of Health and Medical Education and executed by Rheumatology Research Centre (RRC), Tehran University of Medical Sciences (TUMS). RHEUMATRY is established to improve care for rheumatic patients worldwide by monitoring their disease activity. The database can be used as a benchmark by participating rheumatologists and collated data can be a source for scientific research.



Timing

ADRC will enter the data online to RHEUMATRY online database.

Intellectual property

ADRC owns its data and the administrator of ADRC can download and use these data for research purposes at any time. All intellectual and industrial property rights of the data in the RHEUMATRY database vest in RRC. Therefore, it is necessary that ADRC administrator transfer any intellectual property or other rights in the database to RRC. The ADRC administrator will not have any license to use the data in the database, other than its own data. All collaborators can use the database in research and publications by permission of RRC and others.

Executive Scientific Committee

RHEUMATRY Executive and Scientific Committee acts as the Board's forum for discussion on strategic and feasibility aspects of RHEUMATRY. They are a platform for judging scientific questions raised by researchers who wish to use the database, while safeguarding the ethical and scientific aspects of RHEUMATRY. RRC is pleased to welcome Dr. Batool Zamani as the lead of Autoimmune Diseases Research Center (ADRC), Kashan University of Medical Sciences (KUMS). She is also a member of the Executive Scientific Committee of RHEUMATRY, with the possibility to submit research proposals and discuss submitted requests.

Research Projects

Rheumatologists, who upload the data into the RHEUMATRY database, can submit proposals for research projects, according to a predefined research proposal template (the template is downloadable on rheumatry.com). Research proposals are assessed on ethical, scientific and feasibility aspects by the Executive and Scientific Committee of RHEUMATRY. Research proposals without a request for funding can be submitted at any time. Research proposals with a request for funding can be submitted once a year. The deadline to submit these proposals, along with the maximum financial support and project duration, will be announced by email.



Activities

Responsible for ADRC export:

Dr. Batool Zamani will supervise and coordinate all the activities.

Responsible for RHEUMATRY upload:

Dr. Mahdi Mahmoudi will supervise and coordinate all the activities.

Activity	Responsible
Providing online access and questionnaires + support	RHEUMATRY
Testing the Plan	RHEUMATRY and ADRC
Testing Execution	RHEUMATRY and ADRC



Term and termination

This agreement enters into force on June 1, 2018 and will be expired by June 1, 2019.

RHEUMATRY is interested in a long-term collaboration. This agreement can be continued for 5 years, after successful evaluation of the first year.

Executives on behalf of:

Rheumatology Research Center

Name: Ahmadreza Jamshidi

Place: Tehran

Date: 2/June/2018

Signature:

Autoimmune Diseases Research Center

Name: Batool Zamani

Place: Kashan

Date: June 1, 2018

Signature:

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