MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

BETWEEN

SANJAY GHODAWAT UNIVERSITY, KOLHAPUR

Sangli Highway, A/P Atigre – 416 118,

Tal. Hatkanangale, Dist. Kolhapur, Maharashtra, India

AND

BIOCYTE INSTITUTE OF RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT

Shriram Residency, Near Bypass Road, Kalanagar, Sangli – 416416, Maharashtra, India

This agreement is executed on this date 24/01/2026 between **Biocyte Institute of Research and Development**, Sangli, Maharashtra (hereinafter referred to as "BIOCYTE") and **Sanjay Ghodawat University Kolhapur -** Sangli Highway, A/p Atigre - 416 118 Tal. - Hatkanangale Dist. - Kolhapur Maharashtra, India (Henceforth mentioned as an Institute).

Preamble:

About SGU:

SANJAY GHODAWAT UNIVERSITY, KOLHAPUR is State Private University. established by the Maharashtra legislature under Sanjay Ghodawat University Act XL of 2017. and recognized by University Grants Commission under section 2(f) of UGC Act 1956.

The Sanjay Ghodawat University (SGU) officers Education in various program for undergraduate, post graduate and Ph. D. programs under different faculties viz.,

1. Faculty of Science and Technology:
   a. School of Engineering and Technology b. School of Computer Applications c. School of Physical and Chemical Sciences d. School of Computational Sciences e. School of Life Sciences f. School of Pharmaceutical Sciences.
2. Faculty of Commerce & Management:
   School of - a. Commerce b. Management
3. Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences:
   a. School of Social Science b. School of Legal Studies (Law)
4. Faculty of Interdisciplinary Studies:
   a. School of Media b. School of Design

The students will be evaluated by a flexible choice-based credit system providing them freedom to choose the courses of study during a semester, completing the program suited to the learning pace of the student. A wide range of elective courses will be offered to facilitate learning from area of own interest. A mentoring system will be guiding the students through the selection of courses.

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learning methodology involves Information and Computer Technology (ICT), experiential rning, active and project-based learning facilitating skill development and outcome-based ducation in place of the conventional practices.

The SGU is very well equipped with the faculty as well as laboratory resources supported by world class infrastructure to fulfill its objectives.

About Biocyte:

Whereas **Biocyte Institute of Research and Development (BIRD), Sangli**, is a multidisciplinary Contract Research Organisation offering a comprehensive range of scientific, analytical, and training services across the pharmaceutical, life-science, and environmental domains.

The institute is actively engaged in *in vitro* pharmacological studies, including cell-line based assays, biochemical screening, cytotoxicity testing, enzyme inhibition studies, and other mechanistic evaluations; as well as *in vivo* pharmacological and toxicological investigations supporting efficacy, safety, and dose-response assessments. BiRD provides advanced tissue and cell culture facilities for the establishment and maintenance of mammalian cell lines, primary cells, and customized culture protocols. It also undertakes microbiological analyses such as antimicrobial and antifungal screening, MIC determination, and microbial identification. In addition, the institute offers soil and water testing supported by quality-assured analytical methodologies. Alongside its research services, BiRD plays an important academic role by guiding student research projects and delivering hands-on laboratory training, particularly for learners in Pharmacy and Life Sciences. With its integrated laboratory infrastructure, experienced scientific team, and emphasis on quality and transparency—including online verification of laboratory reports—BiRD functions as a robust and reliable research partner for both industry and academia.

Recitals

- Whereas Sanjay Ghodawat University, through its School of Pharmaceutical Sciences, conducts various academic programs including D. Pharm, B. Pharm, M. Pharm, and Ph.D., and is committed to enhancing industry-academia collaborations for the benefit of students and researchers.
- Whereas Biocyte Institute of Research and Development is a multidisciplinary contract research organization involved in in vitro and in vivo pharmacological research, toxicological studies, tissue and cell culture, microbiological analysis, soil and water testing, and student project guidance and training, especially in Pharmacy and Life Sciences.

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Scope of MoU

- *To promote academic and research cooperation between BIOCYTE and the University.*
- *To enhance practical knowledge and technical skills of students through exposure to real-time research and laboratory training.*
- To develop a collaborative platform for training, internships, and workshops.

Aims and Objectives

- Provide students with opportunities for project work, industrial training, and internships.
- Invite BIOCYTE professionals as guest lecturers or visiting faculty.
- Organize joint workshops, seminars, and conferences.
- Support sharing of scientific data, resources, and publications.
- Promote collaborative student project evaluation and guidance, especially for post-graduate and doctoral research.

Liability & Confidentiality

- Neither party shall be liable for any personal loss/damages arising during the execution of this MoU.
- Both parties agree to treat any shared proprietary or classified information as confidential, and shall not disclose it to third parties without prior written consent.

Termination Clause

This MoU may be terminated by either party under the following conditions:

- Non-compliance with the agreed terms.
- Breach of provisions by either party.
- Either party may terminate the MoU by providing a one-month written notice.

Duration of MoU

This MoU shall remain valid for a period of **five (05) years** from the date of signing, and may be renewed upon mutual agreement.

Dispute Resolution and Jurisdiction

Any dispute controversy or claims arising out of relating to this agreement or the breach termination or invalidity thereof, shall be settled by mutual agreement at first if not then

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arbitration in accordance with provisions of the (Indian) arbitration and conciliation Act, 1996.

1. The place of arbitration shall be at Kolhapur.
2. The arbitral procedure shall be conducted in the English language of and any award or awards shall be rendered in English the procedural law of the arbitration shall be Indian law.
3. The award of the arbitral tribunal shall be final, conclusive and binding upon the parties, and the provision of the (Indian) arbitration and conciliation act 1996 shall apply.

7. Seal of the parties

In witness were the parties here to sign this agreement on the day, month and year mentioned hereinbefore.

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For and on behalf of

SANJAY GHODAWAT UNIVERSITY

Signature:

Name: Dr. Vivek M. Kayande
(Registrar)
Sanjay Ghodawat University,
Kolhapur (M.S.), India

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Date: 24/01/2026

For and on behalf of

Biocyte Institute of research and development (bird)

Signature:

Name: Dr. Sandip B. Patil
(Director)
Biocyte Institute of Research and development
Sangli (M.S.), India

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Date: 24/01/2026

Witnesses (Name and Signature)

1. (psot. S.T. Khumbhar)

2. Dr. Vidyarani S. Khot.

1. Nikhil Ghatge

2. Prasad Patil