MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING
BETWEEN
VIRGINIA POLYTECHNIC INSTITUTE AND
STATE UNIVERSITY
AND
HENAN AGRICULTURAL UNIVERSITY

Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University (Virginia Tech) and Henan Agricultural University (HAU) agree to implement this Memorandum of Understanding.

This agreement is based on the principle of reciprocity and expresses the interest of both parties in exchanging scholars, students, academic information and materials in the belief that the research and educational process at both the institutions will be enhanced and that mutual understanding between their respective scholars and students will be increased by the establishment of such exchange programs.

1. The universities agree to encourage the development of the following exchange programs based on their respective academic and educational needs:
   - Exchange of faculty
   - Exchange of students (undergraduate and/or graduate)
   - Joint supervision of M.S. and Ph.D. students
   - Exchange of academic information and materials
   - Exchange of periodicals and other publications
   - Organization of joint research programs
   - Organization of joint conferences
   - Organization of other academic exchanges agreeable to both universities

2. The parties recognize that the implementation of any exchange program will depend upon the academic interests and expertise of individual faculty members and upon the availability of financial resources. Accordingly, the implementation of each exchange program based on this agreement shall be separately negotiated and determined by both universities.

3. This agreement is not intended to be a legally binding document. It is meant to describe the nature and to suggest the guidelines of the cooperation described above. Nothing therefore shall diminish the full autonomy of either institution, nor will any constraints be imposed by either upon the other in carrying out the agreement.
4. The agreement shall become effective on the day representatives of both universities affix their signatures and seals, will be in force for a period of five years, and is subject to revision or modification by mutual written agreement. It is also understood that either institution may terminate the agreement at any time, although is assumed that such action would only be taken after mutual consultation in order to avoid any possible inconvenience to the other institution.

5. Dr. Carol Wilkinson (for Virginia Tech) and Prof. Hongzhi Shi (for HAU) shall serve as liaison officers for this agreement.

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中国河南农业大学
与美国弗吉尼亚理工大学
谅解备忘录

中国河南农业大学和美国弗吉尼亚理工大学同意共同实施本谅解备忘录。

本协议是在互惠原则基础上制定，表达了双方在学术和学生互访、学术信息及资料交流方面的兴趣和意向。双方相信这些交流活动将有利于双方教学和科研水平的提高，并促进两校师生间的沟通和理解。

1. 双方同意根据各自在教学科研等方面的需要，鼓励在以下方面开展合作交流：
   - 教师交换
   - 学生交换（本科生和/或研究生）
   - 硕士研究生和博士研究生联合培养
   - 学术信息和资料交流
   - 期刊及其它出版物交流
   - 组织开展合作研究项目
   - 合作举办学术会议
   - 组织开展其它有益的学术交流活动

2. 双方认可任何交流项目的实施将取决于具体教师的学术兴趣和专长以及经费来源，因此，对于每项具体交流项目的实施应另行协商。
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5. 河南农业大学史宏志教授与弗吉尼亚理工大学卡罗尔·威尔金森博士为本协议的联络人。

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