



**MEMORANDUM OF
UNDERSTANDING**
Between



University of Kassala, Sudan
And

**Sudan HIV/AIDS Working Group
(SHAWG), United Kingdom**

This Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) is entered by and between the University of Kassala (hereinafter referred to as “the University”), and the Sudan HIV/AIDS Working Group (SHAWG) (hereinafter referred to as “SHAWG”), for the purpose of defining the requirements for this agreement.

The two parties agree to co-operate in discussions to identify areas where members of both institutions can work together to promote international excellence in knowledge transfer and operational research in the field of HIV/AIDS.

The terms of this MOU have been formally negotiated by the vice-chancellor of the University and the president of SHAWG. The administrator of the MOU for the University will be the Dean, Faculty of medicine, University of Kassala whereas that for SHAWG will be the secretary general.

Each party will respect the name and high reputation of the other, and will consult with the other regarding any publicity or external reference to this memorandum of understanding.

Each party will share information with the other to help promote mutual understanding, and each will respect the confidentiality and intellectual ownership of this information.

Each party will seek to promote co-operation to mutual benefit, and will be responsible for its own actions and its own costs associated with this memorandum of understanding.

This memorandum of understanding will begin on 01 March 2011 and will be valid for a period of three years from date of first signature. It may be extended or renewed by mutual agreement. This MOU may be terminated by either party upon at least 90 days' written notice. This MOU may be amended, if mutually agreed upon, to change scope and terms of the MOU. Such changes shall be incorporated as a written amendment to this MOU.

The university agrees to:

- Host HIV/AIDS training activities conducted by SHAWG in Kassala State
- Recommend suitable candidates for clinical mentorship schemes dedicated to transferring HIV/AIDS knowledge
- Identify operational research priorities in the field of HIV/AIDS in collaboration with SHAWG.
- Implement operational research projects in the field of HIV/AIDS.

SHAWG agrees to:

- Conduct training workshops on HIV/AIDS targeting healthcare professionals in Kassala State in collaboration with University of Kassala.
- Organise clinical mentorship schemes with relevant host institutions in the United Kingdom.
- Identify operational research priorities in the field of HIV/AIDS in collaboration with University of Kassala.
- Develop appropriate operational research protocols.
- Facilitate and review clinical audit activities carried out by University of Kassala in the field of HIV/AIDS
- Contribute to further development of undergraduate/postgraduate HIV/AIDS training curricula as and when required.

For University of Kassala:

Professor Mohammad El Kheir Abdul
Rahman, Vice-Chancellor, University of
Kassala

Signature:

Date: 01 March 2011

For SHAWG:

Dr Elbushra Ali Mohamed Herieka,
President, Sudan HIV/AIDS Working Group
(SHAWG), United Kingdom

Signature:

Date: 01 March 2011

**Designated representative for University
of Kassala:**

Dean, Faculty of Medicine, University of
Kassala, Sudan

**Designated representative for the Sudan
HIV/AIDS Working Group (SHAWG):**

Secretary general, Sudan HIV/AIDS
Working Group (SHAWG), United Kingdom