

**MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING ON ESTABLISHMENT OF A  
JOINT LABORATORY BETWEEN  
INSTITUTE FOR MATERIALS RESEARCH, TOHOKU UNIVERSITY, JAPAN  
AND  
SCHOOL OF MATERIALS SCIENCE AND ENGINEERING  
DALIAN UNIVERSITY OF TECHNOLOGY, CHINA**

1. The School of Materials Science and Engineering, Dalian University of Technology (hereinafter referred to as DUT) (China) and the Institute for Materials Research, Tohoku University (hereinafter referred to as IMR) (Japan) agree on the establishment of a Joint Laboratory on the basis of the Agreement on Academic Exchange between Tohoku University and Dalian University of Technology renewed on August 30, 2017.
2. The Joint Laboratory shall be established to promote cooperation and exchange within the field of materials science and engineering in order to foster academic research and nurture the creative talents of young researchers.
3. Both institutions shall name this Joint Laboratory: IMR-DUT Joint Lab.
4. DUT and IMR shall send faculty staff and graduate students in a reciprocal manner to carry out joint research projects.
5. Finances:
  - ① The costs of dispatching staff and students should be covered by the financial resources of the sending institution.
  - ② The costs of managing the Joint Laboratory are for account of the local institution and independent from the partner institution.
6. Intellectual property rights developed through collaborations under this MoU will be determined by the Parties through mutual consultation and written agreements on a case-by-case basis.
7. This memorandum will be signed by the representatives of both universities, and takes effect from the date of signature. The duration of validity of this memorandum is five years. It will be reviewed not later than six months prior to the expiration date. Extension and updating of the current memorandum may be made by the two institutions based on mutual understanding and agreement. At any time within the period of validity, the terms of this memorandum may be amended by mutual agreement and written notifications.
8. The memorandum may be terminated by either institution with a six-month advance notice.
9. The memorandum should be concluded by two original documents with identical content in English.

Date:

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