

**AGREEMENT OF COOPERATION BETWEEN
“ALMA MATER STUDIORUM” - UNIVERSITY OF BOLOGNA
AND MAX PLANCK SOCIETY - CHINESE ACADEMY OF SCIENCE PARTNER
INSTITUTE FOR COMPUTATIONAL BIOLOGY**

The University of Bologna, represented by its Rector, and the Max Planck Society - Chinese Academy of Science Partner Institute for Computational Biology, represented by its Directors, agree to the following:

ARTICLE 1

This agreement is made by the University of Bologna and the Max Planck Society - Chinese Academy of Science Partner Institute for Computational Biology, in order to promote cooperation in the field of research and teaching and to encourage artistic and cultural projects of mutual interest.

ARTICLE 2

Co-operation between the two Universities may include:

- a) the conduct of research projects of mutual interest;
- b) exchange visits of faculty members and researchers in order to carry out research and consultations and to encourage the training of scientific personnel;
- c) the organization of joint seminars, symposia and discussions on topics of common interest;
- d) the exchange of graduate level and PhD students (the number will be defined year by year).

ARTICLE 3

The University of Bologna and the Max Planck Society - Chinese Academy of Science Partner Institute for Computational Biology, agree that each University will provide their own faculty members and researchers with travel funds while the Host University will provide them the cost of accommodation.

During their period of stay at the host University, the faculty members and the researchers participating in the said exchange will be considered as staff “on a mission” abroad.

ARTICLE 4

Visiting staff and students must have a personal and third party insurance policy for appropriate accident coverage valid for their period of stay in the host country and host university.

ARTICLE 5

Each University will appoint a co-ordinator for the exchange program.

ARTICLE 6

Provided they have paid the appropriate fees to their home institution, exchange students (graduate and PhD students) shall not be required to pay examination, matriculation or tuition fees to their host institution. Exchange students shall, however, be responsible for any other cost such as the cost of textbooks, field trips (if any) and other optional course charges.

ARTICLE 7

The resolution of possible controversies on the interpretation and the performance of such agreement will be devolved to an arbitration board made by a member of each University and a third member chosen by mutual consent.

ARTICLE 8

The present agreement is valid for a period of five years. Either party will be able to express its intentions to withdraw by giving a 6 month written notice to that effect.

Date.....

Date... 5th February 2009

The Rector of the University of Bologna

The Directors of the Max Planck Society
- Chinese Academy of Science Partner
Institute for Computational Biology

Prof. Pier Ugo Calzolari

Prof. Andreas Dress.....

