



German-Israeli Foundation for Scientific Research and Development  
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## G.I.F. Research Grant Agreement No. \_\_\_\_\_

Between the German-Israeli Foundation for Scientific Research and Development (G.I.F.)-and the Grantees:

### Principal Investigators: \_\_\_\_\_

**Since:** G.I.F decided to grant the P.I.s/Grantees a research grant for the implementation of personal research submitted to the G.I.F. as detailed on the research proposal, and as approved by G.I.F;

**Whereas:** the institutions of the Grantees confirmed that the research proposal submitted to G.I.F received the approvals of research agencies and that the grantees will carry out their research within their institutions;

### It is agreed as follows:

- The following** are deemed incorporated into this Research Grant Agreement and constitute an integral and inseparable part thereof:
  - The agreement between the two ministers establishing the G.I.F.,
  - The current G.I.F. Guidelines for Grant Applicants & Recipients,
  - The research proposal and budget as approved by the G.I.F. Board of Governors,
  - The Declaration regarding parallel funding.
- The Grantees** agree that persons employed by him/her in connection with the research grant shall be considered his/her sole employees, and that no relationship of employer-employee will be created between the Grantees' employees and the Foundation, neither for purposes for tort liability nor for social benefits nor for any matter.
- G.I.F. undertakes to fund the approved Research Proposal entitled " \_\_\_\_\_ " in the amount of **EURO 180,000** for the entire project period. The project period shall be from **January 1<sup>st</sup> 2015** to **December 31<sup>st</sup> 2017**. The project period may be extended – without additional funding - by up to one year upon written request by all grantees.
- The Grantees** undertake to perform the research as portrayed in the research proposal and to ensure that the Grant shall be used solely for the purpose of the Research Project and in accordance with the provisions of this Agreement.
- The Grantees** undertake to make all necessary preparations and arrangements (technical and administrative) necessary to carry out effective research.
- The Grantees** undertake to obtain all approvals required to carry out the research at any time.
- The Grantees** undertake to meet all conditions and requirements of ethics applicable to the research domain and that the research will be performed in accordance with all applicable laws and without any violation of any law.
- The **Project Partners** agree that they shall be required to commit themselves to provide an adequate level of IPR protection and enforcement. They will have to guarantee an equitable and fair treatment regarding the ownership of and access to intellectual property generated to the mutual benefit of all parties involved. The Project Partners are obliged to define the owner of as well as the access rights to intellectual property by clear rules and agree that these rules, together with any national regulations which may affect the transfer of knowledge, are made easily available to all partners.  
The Project Partners shall provide all participants with similar rights, especially as regards access to IPR and related use restrictions.  
The Project Partners furthermore agree to take steps to improve the coherence of their respective ownership regimes as regards intellectual property rights in such a way as to facilitate the co-operation and knowledge transfer.  
Scientific and technological information of a non-proprietary nature arising from the cooperative activities may be made available to the public through customary channels.  
The contractual arrangements between Project Partners should be in accordance with the internal laws, regulations, rules, procedures and mechanisms of their respective State.
- Any funds the **Grantees** receive from G.I.F. which will be used for tasks not included in the appropriate plan will be reimbursed to G.I.F. upon demand.

10. The **Grantees** must return to G.I.F any funds which were not used during the research period.
11. Every advertisement, lecture or presentation relating to the research supported by the G.I.F. should mention that it is supported by "German-Israeli Foundation for Scientific Research and Development".
12. Should the **Grantees** fail to mention in their grant application funds they have received -or are receiving- from other sources for the research project described in this agreement, G.I.F. may stop payment of this grant, and demand the reimbursement of money already paid out, as the case may be. If the grantees receive during the above-mentioned project period support for their joint research from other sources, this must be reported to and approved by G.I.F in writing and in advance. In case they receive DIP or EU funding for this or a similar (overlapping) project, G.I.F. support will be stopped automatically.
13. **a) Grantees** agree to bear full responsibility, in accordance with the law of jurisdiction in which it may arise, for all personal injury and property damage resulting from the performance or non-performance of Grantees' duties under this Agreement.  
**b) Grantees** agree that persons employed by them in connection with the research grant shall be considered their sole employees and that no relationship of employer-employee will be created between the Grantees' employees and the Foundation, neither for purposes of tort liability nor for social benefits nor for any matter.  
**c) The P.I.s** are expected to show not only joint results. They (or their team members) should meet for several days at one of their institutions. These meetings should be described in the annual scientific report. Non-compliance with this requirement is considered a breach of contract, for which GIF will be entitled to terminate the project.
14. Rights under this Agreement may not be transferred or assigned to a third party without prior written consent of G.I.F. P.I.s acting as consultants, shareholders, or chief scientists of profit-making organizations are required to supply full information on this activity before the contract is signed. They are also expected to inform G.I.F. of all additional engagements they take on during the grant period. The organizations in question are considered "third parties" where transfer of rights is concerned (see above). According to G.I.F. policy, exclusive licensing will not normally exceed five (5) years.
15. The G.I.F does not and will not bear any responsibility of any kind, direct or indirect, to any damage caused in connection to the research or related to the P.I.s' conduct.
16. Letters and documents sent by registered mail will be deemed received 14 days from the mailing date.
17. G.I.F. is entitled to terminate this agreement if the P.I.s do not comply with G.I.F. Guidelines, giving reasonable notice. **Grantees** are not entitled to terminate this Agreement or abandon the research project without prior written consent from the G.I.F.
18. If in the course of research under this agreement a P.I. changes his/her affiliation from one institution to another, the following rules will apply:
  - a)** The P.I. in question will submit to G.I.F. within 30 days a financial report, signed by the finance department of the institution he has left. Any surplus funds will be transmitted to the G.I.F. within 60 days from the change.
  - b)** The continuation of the research is conditional on the agreement of the new institution to observe the work and budget plan of the research. To this purpose, the new institution is required to countersign a copy of the original research contract. This must be done within 90 days from the change of affiliation; otherwise G.I.F. will terminate the entire research project.
  - c)** Non-expendable equipment acquired with G.I.F. funds shall accompany the P.I. to the new institution.
19. This agreement will become valid upon being signed by one of the Chairpersons of GIF's Board of Governors, the GIF Director, **all P.I.s and their institutions.**

**For GRANTEES**

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 Israeli P.I.

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 Israeli Institution (Signature & seal)

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 German P.I.

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 German Institution (Signature & seal)

**For G.I.F.**

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**Co-Chairperson of the Board of Governors** **G.I.F Director**