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## Bringing UTHSC-H to the World – Bringing the World to UTHSC-H

In June of 2001, the Office of International Programs was created to further the collaboration with health and educational institutions in other countries by facilitating international connections. We serve as a central conduit by forming affiliation agreements with other institutions worldwide.

The Office of International Programs gathers and disperses information about current international connections while encouraging faculty, research fellows, and students to form exchanges. By collaborating with health care institutions throughout the world, our office is bringing the world to UTHSC-H and bringing UTHSC-H to the world.

## Affiliations

The Office of International Programs acts as a liaison between UTHSC-H and worldwide health care and educational institutions. Our affiliation agreements encourage faculty, research fellows and students to form an exchange outside of their home institution. Below is a list of affiliation agreements between UTHSC-H and our worldwide affiliates.

Country	Name of University/Institution
Australia	Queensland University of Technology
Belarus	Grodno State Medical University
Brazil	Federal University of Bahia (Salvador) University of Brasilia University of Sao Paolo
Chile	University of Chile – School of Medicine
China	Peking Union Medical College Capital University of Medical Sciences Children's Hospital of Beijing First Affiliated Hospital of Suzhou University Medical College of Qingdao University Xian Jiaotong University Qiqihar Medical College Peking University
Czech Republic	1st Medical Faculty, Charles University
Egypt	Ain-Shams University
Finland	University of Turku
Hungary	University of Debrecen
India	Amrita Institute of Medical Sciences & Research Centre Government of Maharashtra Deccan College of Medical Sciences
Israel	Tel Aviv University
Japan	Hokkaido University Kyoto University Tokyo Women's Medical University University of Tokushima Gunma University Tokyo Dental College Tokyo Metropolitan Institute of Gerontology Tokyo University

Country	Name of University/Institution
Korea	Presbyterian Medical Center (Jesus Hospital) Seoul National University Medical School
Mexico	Monterrey Institute of Technology & Higher Education Universidad Autonoma de Queretaro Universidad Autonoma de Guadalajara Universidad Autonoma de Nuevo Leon Universidad Autonoma de Tamaulipas Universidad de Nuevo Leon, Monterrey
Netherlands	The University of Limburg
Pakistan	Aga Khan University
Poland	Medical University of Łódź Ludwik Rydygier Medical University
Russia	Moscow Stomatological – Medical Institute The Russian Academy of Medical Sciences
Spain	UT M D Anderson International Espana
Taiwan	Chang Gung University
Thailand	Chiang Mai University Thammasat University Armed Forces Research Institute of Medical Sciences (AFRIMS) Mahidol University
Turkey	Selcuk University
Ukraine	Ukrainian State Medical University
United Kingdom	University of London King's College Richmond, The American International University in London
Vietnam	University of Health Sciences Ho Chi Minh City and Dentistry Overseas, a division of Health Volunteers Overseas

<p><b>Brazil</b></p>	<p><i>University of San Paolo</i></p> <p>Dr. Michael Smolensky helped to organize 16th International Symposium of Night and Shiftwork in November 2003 in Sao Paulo, Brazil. Dr. Smolensky presented "Health Issues related to Night and Shiftwork" and "Building a Safe Environment: Circadian Rhythms of Shiftwork, Industrial Hygiene and Toxicology." Contact: Dr. Michael Smolensky at 713 500 9237 or Dr. Robert Roberts at 713 500 9291.</p>
<p><b>China, Peoples Republic</b></p>	<p><i>Capital Institute of Medicine</i></p> <p>In April 2003, 14 medical school students participated in UTHSC-H's Annual Student Delegation to China Program. For one month, students observed health care and medical education systems in China. Contact: Dr. Henry Strobel at 713 500 6078.</p>
	<p><i>Peking Union Medical College Hospital</i></p> <p>An Agreement of Cooperation and a Program Agreement were signed in May 2003. Contact: Dr. Gwen Sherwood at 713 500 2021 and Dr. Hui-Ming Chang at 713 500 3559.</p>
	<p><i>Shanghai Xuhui District People's Government</i></p> <p>In October 2003, a delegation of 16 representatives led by District Mayor Chao Sun from Shanghai Xuhui District People's Government-China visited UTHSC-H and The Texas Medical Center. The delegation met with UTHSC-H President James T. Willerson, Texas Medical Center President Richard Wainerdi, Nobel Laureate Dr. Ferid Murad, and other key leaders at UTHSC-H and the Texas Medical Center.</p>
	<p><i>Republic of China</i></p> <p>In August 2003, Dr. Hui-Ming Chang was invited as a guest of the Executive Yuan of the Republic of China as a sole representative from the southern region of the United States. The agenda included a meeting with the President of the Republic of China and visits to the Ministry of Health, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, National Health Research Institute, and other central government offices.</p>
	<p><i>Fudan University, Zhongshan Hospital, Cancer Hospital</i></p> <p>In June 2002, the UTHSC-H delegation visited with several hospitals of Fudan University including, Zhongshan Hospital and the Cancer Hospital in China. Meetings were held at Zhongshan Hospital with the directors of cardiology, pathology and the cardiac ultrasound lab. They also visited laboratories and toured the clinical and teaching facility of the Cancer Hospital, while meeting with the president and chair who had been trained at UT M D Anderson Cancer Center. Contact: Dr. Hui-Ming Chang at 713 500 3762.</p>
<p><b>Japan</b></p>	<p><i>Yamaguchi University, Yamaguchi Health and Welfare College, and the University of Saskatchewan, Canada</i></p> <p>In October 2003, members of the Society for Nursing and Health Sciences visited UTHSC-H for the 3rd International SNHS Research Symposium on the Elderly, hosted by the School of Nursing's Center on Aging.</p>
	<p><i>The University of Tokushima</i></p> <p>From January through March 2003, the Office of International Programs hosted an observer who learned about international program administration and met with many faculty and administrators at UTHSC-H. An Agreement of Cooperation was signed in November 2002. In October 2003, a UTHSC-H delegation visited The University of Tokushima, Japan. Dr. George Stancel, Dr. Anil Kulkarni, and Ms. Rose Mary Valencia met with the President, Vice Presidents and Deans.</p>

**Mexico***Monterrey Institute of Technology and Higher Education (ITESM)  
and Universidad Autonoma de Nuevo Leon*

In June 2003, Dr. Hui-Ming Chang greeted 17, third-year medical students from ITESM at a luncheon hosted in their honor by Dr. Gary C. Rosenfeld, Director of the Summer Research Program at UTHSC-H. In December 2003, a UTHSC-H delegation visited both universities in Mexico including Dr. Hui-Ming Chang, Dr. Carlos Moreno and Ms. Liliana Rodriguez. A site visit of the School of Medicine and a signing ceremony for the Agreement of Cooperation were part of the program with ITESM. At Universidad Autonoma de Nuevo Leon, the delegation explored possible collaboration. Contact: Ms. Liliana Rodriguez at 713 500 3289 and Dr. Hui-Ming Chang at 713 500 3762.

*Universidad Autonoma de Tamaulipas*

In October 2003, five Pain Nurses from Universidad Autonoma de Tamaulipas, Mexico (UAT) visited UTHSC-H's School of Nursing. The nurses came to work on data analysis. Contact: Dr. Gwen Sherwood at 713 500 2021

**Pakistan***Aga Khan University*

In June 2003, UTHSC-H's School of Nursing hosted the Director of Nursing Services at Aga Khan University Hospital. The Director began a Program Agreement for two weeks to gain experience in nursing administration and clinical practice. An Agreement of Cooperation and a Program Agreement were signed in June 2003.

**United Kingdom***Texas/United Kingdom Collaborative Research Initiative*

Dr. Hui-Ming Chang met with Dr. Denis Headon and Dr. Margaret Parton about the Texas/UK Collaborative Research Initiative. Faculty from UTHSC-H had participated in meetings and workshops for the Texas/UK Project. Dr. Willerson will be the keynote speaker for the tissue engineering meeting in London in 2004. UTHSC-H will host the cardiology meeting in Houston in 2004. Contact: Dr. Hui-Ming Chang at 713 500 3762.

**Central and South America**

In June 2003, a four-member delegation from Central and South America visited UTHSC-H, including a Vice Chancellor, an Advisor from the Minister of Justice, President of the Superior Council of Public Health, and a member of the Judicial Branch. The delegation's agenda included the Protection of Intellectual Property Rights in the U.S. They met with Dr. Hui-Ming Chang, Dr. Bruce Butler, Dr. Lenard Lichtenberger, and Dr. Robert Strozier regarding an international, publicly available database for information on cloned, sequenced and/or mapped retinal genes or disease genes.

## 2c UTHSC-H's International Population

Source  
Rose Mary Valencia  
Office of International Affairs

The Office of International Affairs processes visa requests and provides assistance to the international populations of several Texas Medical Center institutions, including UTHSC-H, UT M D Anderson Cancer Center, the UT Harris County Psychiatric Center and the Texas Heart Institute. The information below is based on student, faculty and staff international representation for all of these institutions collectively, as of August 2003.

### Largest Student, Faculty & Staff Representation by Country

Country	Number
China, Peoples Republic	913
India	705
Philippines	662
Mexico	391
Canada	229
Nigeria	185
Japan	139
China, Taiwan	112
Vietnam	106
Iran	99
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>3,541</b>

### Total International Population by Component

Institution	Number
UT M D Anderson Cancer Center	3,472
UTHSC-H	1,922
Texas Heart Institute	8
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>5,402</b>

### VISA Status of the UTHSC-H International Population

VISA Type	Number
F VISA	307
H VISA	213
J VISA	156
O Visa	10
Permanent Resident	1,152
Other	84
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>1,922</b>

