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Article (1): Name

The name of this organization shall be the "Asian NIR Consortium" and the abbreviation (acronym) is "ANC".

Article (2): Objective

The objective of this organization shall be to promote education, research and applications related to near infrared spectroscopy (NIRS) in Asia.

Article (3): Scope

The scope of ANC shall be to undertake and promote activities, which shall accomplish the objective in Article (2). The ANC may conduct specific activities as follows:

- (a) Support an NIR conference in Asia that shall be called the "Asian NIR Symposium" (hereafter referred to as the Symposium). The Symposium shall be held every two years, in the even numbered years to prevent overlapping with the International Conference of Near Infrared Spectroscopy under the auspices of the International Council of Near Infrared Spectroscopy (ICNIRS).
- (b) Organize and maintain the official homepage of the ANC.
- (c) Co-organize any International Conference held under the auspices of the ICNIRS that will be held in Asia, with the agreement of the host country.

Article (4): Executive Board

Section 1: The ANC shall be governed by the Executive Board which consists of representatives from countries or regions which have an intention to be a member of it.

Section 2: The Secretariat consists of a Secretary-General who shall be nominated by the Executive Board. The Secretary-General shall be an ex-officio member of the Executive Board.

Section 3: The representatives noted in Article (4) Section 1 shall be approved based on an understanding of the Executive Board.

Section 4: The term of the members of the Executive Board shall be approximately 2 fiscal periods: from the thirty-first day after the Symposium to the thirtieth day of the one following the subsequent Symposium.

Section 5: The Executive Board shall be responsible to approve all matters necessary to carry out the ANC business.

Article (5): The Executive Board Meeting

Section 1: The Executive Board Meeting shall be held during the Symposium. If necessary, the Chairperson can hold a Board meeting through E-mail discussion in place of the face to face meeting.

Article (6): Secretariat

Section 1: The ANC shall be constituted by the Secretariat to carry out the business necessary.

Section 2: The Secretariat consists of a Secretary-General who shall be nominated by the Executive Board.

Section 3: Operational costs for the Secretariat are covered by part of the money collected at the Symposium.

Section 4: On behalf of the Executive Board, the Secretariat shall have a responsibility to report results of the Executive Board Meeting on the occasion of the ANC Symposium.

Article (7): General Provisions

Section 1: The ANC shall not place its name or approval on any commercial product, enterprise or work.

Section 2: The ANC shall not be responsible for any views, theories or statements advanced in papers or discussion at its meeting.