Interdepartmental Research Activities and Standard Operating Procedure (SOP)

Research Facilities & Services

The UOG offers research facilities in the following areas:

FTIR Analysis (Approximately 10,000 samples analyzed in the last four years)

•	The FTIR analysis of th	e following departments of	of University of Gu	ujrat are being carried out.
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- Physics
- Chemistry
- o Botany
- o Zoology
- Chemical Engineering
- Biochemistry
- Biotechnology
- o Environmental Science

Bioassays, Enzyme Inhibition Assays, Molecular Docking Studies, Statistical and Computational Analysis (R Language, Molecular Dynamics Simulations, etc.)

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 - o Physics
 - Chemistry
 - o Botany
 - o Zoology
 - Biochemistry
 - Biotechnology
- Collaborating institutions outside the University:
 - o Quaid-i-Azam University, Islamabad
 - Karachi University
 - o Allama Iqbal Open University
 - GCU Faisalabad
 - o GCU Lahore
 - o NARC, Islamabad

o Punjab University

Research Collaboration Guidelines

Request & Approval Process

- 1. Interested researchers must submit a research request using the prescribed **Research Performa**.
- 2. The request will be reviewed by the departmental research committee.
- 3. Upon approval, an official collaboration agreement will be signed.

Undertaking & Authorship Rights

- 1. All students and researchers must submit a **Research Undertaking Form** before initiating research.
- 2. Authorship rights for any resulting publications must adhere to ethical guidelines and be discussed prior to research initiation.

Research Compliance & Ethical Considerations

- 1. Researchers must adhere to lab safety protocols and ethical guidelines.
- 2. Any biological or chemical samples must be handled as per biosafety regulations.
- 3. Data confidentiality and intellectual property rights must be respected.

Research Collaboration with External Institutions

- 1. Students conducting research at external institutions (e.g., Quaid-i-Azam University, NARC, Punjab University) must obtain prior approval from the Department.
- 2. A research progress report must be submitted periodically.
- 3. Any publication arising from joint research must acknowledge all collaborating institutions.

Sample Submission & Analysis Process

For FTIR Analysis

- o Samples must be submitted using the FTIR Analysis Performa.
- The sample analysis report will be provided within a specified timeframe in hard as well as soft form.

For Bioassays & Enzyme Inhibition Assays

- o A research proposal must be submitted before commencing analysis.
- o Results will be shared upon completion, in form of images and raw data.

For Molecular Docking & Computational Studies

- o Researchers must provide details of molecular structures and target proteins.
- o The department will facilitate the analysis and assist in interpretation.

Reporting & Documentation

- 1. All research data must be properly documented and stored as per departmental guidelines.
- 2. Researchers must submit a final research report upon project completion.
- 3. Publications must acknowledge departmental contributions and funding sources, if applicable.

Conclusion

This SOP ensures a streamlined process for interdepartmental and interinstitutional research collaborations while maintaining high ethical, safety, and academic standards. Compliance with this SOP is mandatory for all researchers utilizing departmental resources.