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Seed-Grants Between Guangdong Technion – Israel Institute of Technology (GTIIT) and The Technion – Israel Institute of Technology

The GTIIT management is happy to announce a call for proposals for seed grants to support excellent research to be conducted in collaboration between faculty members at GTIIT and faculty members at the Technion. Seed grants are short (18-months) collaborative efforts designed to produce preliminary data and preliminary publications, which can be used for subsequent applications to competitive sources for collaborative research.

Proposals must be based on a clearly defined scientific hypothesis and describe the collaborative effort. To ensure genuine collaboration among the two teams, we request that at least one joint GTIIT/Technion graduate student (either an M.Sc. or a Ph.D. candidate) be assigned and funded by this grant. The structure of the proposal should include an abstract and reference, an introduction validating the hypothesis, clearly defined goals, and a description of the collaborative operational plan (including the graduate student's name) and budget. Proposals should not be longer than 15 pages.

Excellent proposals will be selected following a detailed review by an independent committee and will receive funding up to \$60,000 per project (\$30,000 for the GTIIT faculty member and \$30,000 for the Technion faculty member). Only full-time faculty members (at the rank of assistant, associate, or full professor) are eligible. 3000\$ from each grant will be restricted and available to the PIs only for funding mutual visits of the GTIIT PI to the Technion and the Technion PI to GTIIT. The rest of the funds can be used primarily for mutual graduate student scholarships, student travel, consumables, and user hours. The purchase of lab equipment, travel, and salaries for the PIs will not be supported by the grants. No overhead will be charged for funds used at GTIIT. Standard overhead for internal funding applies at the Technion (4%).

Proposals should be submitted in PDF format to Prof. Moris Eisen, the Pro-Vice-Chancellor for Academic Affairs (PVCAA) of GTIIT, to Mrs. Ronit Mayer (via gtiitrecruit@technion.ac.il).

In addition to the proposal, CVs (Technion format) of both PIs should be included.

In parallel, a 'Research project form' should be submitted by faculty members at GTIIT, and a 'MANLAM' form should be submitted by faculty members at Technion.

Technion Faculty members, please add to the research proposal your budget request in a table as follows:

Item	Sum (USD)
*Travel to GTIIT (PI only)	3,000
Total	30,000
Overhead (4%)	1,200
Total cost	28,800

*a must-have item

*Only faculty members can apply for this call.

*Faculty members who won the Seed-Grant last year can submit another one this year; their proposal should include a summary of last year's collaborative accomplishments (joint students, publications, visits, and financial budget use).

*Faculty members can apply for only one seed grant every year.

Applications should be submitted by **July 01st, 2025**