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Strengthening Research and Development: SMU and CSIR sign Memorandum of Understanding

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The CSIR, as a pre-eminent research and development organisation in South Africa, brings its expertise in various scientific disciplines to the partnership. On the other hand, SMU is a public higher education institution specialising in health sciences, renowned for its academic excellence, research and community engagement initiatives, dedicated to producing skilled professionals and contributing to the advancement of healthcare in South Africa. The MoU between the CSIR and SMU underscores their mutual commitment to collaborate in the designated areas. By pooling their resources, expertise, and networks, both institutions aim to leverage their respective strengths to achieve greater impact in research and development.

By formalising their partnership through this MoU, the CSIR and SMU reaffirm their commitment to advancing scientific knowledge, fostering innovation and improving public health outcomes.

As the journey of collaboration unfolds, the CSIR and SMU look forward to realising the full potential of their partnership and contributing to the wellbeing of communities across South Africa.

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