

First published on May, 1928

June 27, 2019 Special issue No. 19

Ukraine NOW

THE NEWSPAPER OF KHARKIV NATIONAL MEDICAL UNIVERSITY ACADEMIC COMMUNITY

The newspaper was awarded with a silver medal of the "Higher School" Ukrainian Government Contest

INTERNATIONAL PROJECT

FUTURE-ORIENTED COOPERATION

On April 9, Prevention and Control of Catheter Associated Urinary Tract Infections Workshop was held at Kharkiv National Medical University.



The event was a part of the international project entitled "Health-care Improvement Work in Europe: implementing guidelines preventing HCAI". During the workshop, the master classes with the participation of leading experts in the field of infection control and prevention HCAI from the Kingdom of Sweden, the Republic of Moldova, the Republic of Lithuania, Ukraine and Georgia took place. The honorary guests also attended Lyubov Malaya National Institute of Therapy of the National Academy of Medical Sciences of Ukraine in the framework of the visit. During the workshop, new scientific data, based on the principles of evidence-based medicine, was presented regarding infection control and prevention HCAI.

At the beginning, the Vice-Rector for Research Prof. Valeriy Myasoyedov on behalf of the Rector of the University congratulated the audience, 'It is a great pleasure to convey greetings to all who actually work on the front against infectious agents. I wish you success implementing the project. I am sure that the workshop will be successful, because it has several components, namely information, practical and theoretical content. Thus, the event which is devoted to the most urgent problems must be a success'.

Prof. Valeriy Myasoyedov stressed that international events of such a level emphasize the image of the University, the city and the country as a whole as well. He expressed gratitude to the foreign guests for cooperation, which makes it possible to change our world for the better. He also emphasized that cooperation between Kharkiv National Medical University, in particular the Department of Epidemiology, and the Baltic Antibiotic Resistance collaborative Network (BARN) is very important. The previous projects outcomes were the development of newsletters, patents on the device and a method for diagnosing the epidemic situation regarding catheter-associated infections of the urinary tract. These documents are used to improve infection control and prevention of infections in health care institutions throughout the country.

The current project is primarily a way how to improve healthcare system in Europe by introduction of the guidance notes on preventing HCAI. The project aims to reduce the number of infections through a work with the established model, which applies to existing guidelines, and formally links Ukraine with the EU.

It is noteworthy that this international project has been implemented within the framework of the cooperation between the University and Swedish Public Health Agency on the basis of the Agreement singed in 2015. Such close and forward-looking cooperation with the international medical community is very important as it promotes the further integration of the University into European space, the growth of prestige and trust in Ukrainian medicine.

Nataliia Brezhnieva, Victoria Zakharevych

■ MEETING WITH A SPESIALIST ■

A TEAM OF LIKE-MINDED PEOPLE

On February 28, the Chairman at Parents2 organization that supports Ukrainian parents of disabled children Mr. Rene Hubregtse (Kingdom of the Netherlands) visited Kharkiv National Medical University.



At the beginning of the meeting the Vice-Rector for Research and Education Prof. Volodymyr Markovskiy welcomed Mr. Hubregtse and expressed hope for successful and fruitful work during his visit to the University. Mr. Hubregtse commended the Professor of the Department of Pediatrics and Neonatology Olena Riga, who invited him to the University.

At the current time, Mr. Hubregtse is the Director of Primary Schools Association and he is a specialist in communication with pa-

tients who have special needs and their parents. For a long time he has cooperated with different Ukrainian teaching centers that support Ukrainian parents of disabled children. Mr. Hubregtse emphasized the importance of interaction between parents and specialists, because the main result depends on relatives, and for this, they gain certain knowledge and experience at the Center. On the other hand, parents need support and faith in their efforts. One person does not change anything: it makes a team of like-minded people.

According to Mr. Hubregtse, he was amazed to see the University, got acquainted with its history, its life and also he hopes for fruitful work with doctors and parents. Despite the differences in the history, culture and medicine of our countries, Mr. Hubregtse noted that we always can find the major points of contact for helping people, and we can together provide them with effective assistance.

During the visit, Mr. Hubregtse carried out a training "Multidisciplinary approach to the care of children with special needs". This event was addressed to the understanding needs of special patients and their parents. There were discussed methods of care and coworking between parents and spesialist.

As a token of sincere respect for the problem in which Mr. Hubregtse is engaged, Prof. Volodymyr Markovskiy presented a certificate and souvenirs to the guest to remember the time he spent in the oldest medical school of Ukraine.

Anna Kurach, leading specialist of International Relations Office KhNMU





RNATIONAL COOPERATION I

WAYS OF MUTUAL COOPERATION

On June 5, a delegation from the UK was present at Kharkiv National Medical University, consisting of the CEO of Cormack Consultancy Baltic Mr. Charles Cormack, the Project Manager of Cormack Consultancy Baltic Mrs. Tetiana Sushytska, the Deputy Head of Collaborative Provision of the University of London Mr. Tom France, the International Recruitment Manager of Wrexham Glyndwr University Mr. Anthony Owen, the International Lead at the Department of Engineering of Glasgow Caledonian University Mr. Andrew Quinn, the Founder and CEO of Really English Mr. Nigel Killick.



The delegation met the Vice-Rector for Research Prof. Valeriy Myasovedov and the Head of the International Relations Office Anzhela Stashchak first. Turning to the honoured guests, Prof. Valeriy Myasoyedov noted, 'We are glad to welcome a highly esteemed delegation representing various branches of education, politics and power structures. We are confident that such a meeting will be extremely productive. Education, science and healthcare systems have been changing so far, and all countries of the world are involved. Globalization is a trend which gives you the opportunity to work with different countries. Hence, I hope that our mutual work will leave only good impressions, and we will be able to work out the forms of joint interaction'



Prof. Valeriy Myasoyedov also noted that our guests are representatives of all specialties that can solve global problems of mankind. Well, according to him, that's as composed as it should be meetings to solve any problems, including educational ones.



During the meeting, issues of establishing cooperation with universities of Great Britain, academic and students' exchange, development and realization of joint research projects in the future were

During the visit, the guests visited the Museum of History of the University, where they learned about the history of one of the oldest medical schools in Ukraine. At the end, the guests got acquainted with resources and opportunities for students provided by the Scientific Library of the University.

EXPERIENCE, CONFIDENCE, SUPPORT

On May 14, a delegation of representatives of the international social project Twinning visited Kharkiv National Medical University.

The Twinning project is funded by the European Union and implemented by a French organization. The organization works not only in the field of rehabilitation and medical services, but also in other areas such as agriculture, and financing. It is engaged in finding experts and thus providing assistance to other countries. So this is how the European support system works.



Foreign guests were invited to the University by Professor of the Department of Paediatrics and Neonatology No. 1 Olena Ryga to familiarize with the activities of the University as a whole, and for better acquaintance with the work in the field of early intervention, as well as obtaining new knowledge and ideas for development in that regard.



At the beginning, guests met the Vice-Rector for Research Prof. Valeriy Myasoyedov and the specialists from the International Relations Office. Welcoming the delegation to the University, Prof. Valeriy Myasoyedov said, 'The system of children rehabilitation in Ukraine is quite a new direction. Whereas it is at a high level in France, we tend to learn from your experiences. We are confident that this meeting will be productive and useful for students, teachers and physicians who are looking forward to a master class'



In turn, the RTA of Twinning Project Dr. Jean-Elie Malkin, thanked Valeriia Koliesnikova, Leading Expert of the International Relations Office : for the warm welcome and familiarized the audience with the main



directions of the Project, he said, 'We are currently working on developing and disseminating at the national level a system called early intervention for children with disabilities in cooperation with the Ministry of Social Policy of Ukraine. The project operates in 4 pilot regions: Kharkiv, Odessa, Uzhhorod and Lviv. One of the very important areas in which we work is coordination between those who surround the service of early intervention'.

According to Dr. Jean-Elie Malkin, it is important to develop cooperation and affiliation of all organizations belonging to three profile ministries, namely education, healthcare and social policy. At present, Regional Councils on early intervention have been established in each of the pilot regions.

A representative of the Project, Mrs. Florence Le Teof, gave a presentation "Revealing to the Parents the information regarding Abnormalities and Problems in the Development of their Child" on the theme of the issues faced by doctors around the world.

It is important to know how to correctly inform the family that the child has problems with development and what recommendations

there are for doctors in this regard, as well as how to properly organize care - this is the part of the project that works with the development of early intervention. This component fits well with the cooperation of such important links in the chain as the medical, social and educational spheres. Today, all the experts came to realize that the very moment of the message is very important and responsible.

"It is the first time we have presented our project at a medical university. It is honourable and extremely important, because the master class will be attended by students who are future doctors and need to lay the understanding of the importance of the process,' Dr. Jean-Elie Malkin emphasized.

During the meeting, the importance of such events was discussed. Since the topic of interaction, namely the joint fruitful cooperation between physicians, patients and their families, especially the system of development of early intervention services, is very relevant in Ukraine so far.

Anna Kurach, Victoria Zakharevych

■ NEW PARTNERSHIP

BARIATRIC SURGERY ADVANCEMENTS IN UKRAINE

On November 26, 2018 Kharkiv National Medical University signed an Agreement on cooperation with one more partner establishment. It was Klinik Sachsenhausen located in Frankfurt on Mein, the Federal Republic of Germany. Since that time the stable and fruitful cooperation has begun.



On February 27, 2019 there was a satellite broadcasting between the University Clinic including doctors and interns of Kharkiv region and the Medical Director of Klinik Sachsenhausen, a specialist in the field of bariatric surgery, abdominal surgery and oncosurgery of the gastrointestinal tract, Professor Plamen Staikov. To date, it is known that Prof. Staikov performed more than 6 thousand operations on the organs of the digestive tract and has vast experience in the surgical treatment of obesity, diabetes mellitus, cancer and other pathologies.



During the lecture, Professor from Germany shared his experience in surgical treatment of diabetes mellitus with his Ukrainian colleagues, demonstrated certain clinical cases of obesity treatment with laparoscopic surgery and answered numerous questions of Kharkiv colleagues.

From 12 to 15 March, Prof. Staikov decided to visit Kharkiv personally. During his stay, the German specialist attended Kharkiv Na-

tional Medical University in order to exchange experience and discuss ways of further cooperation.

On March 13, Prof. Staikov was in Kharkiv Regional Clinical Hospital, where he delivered lectures on laparoscopic bariatric surgery and, in particular, surgical treatment of diabetes mellitus, and also had conversations with practicing doctors and scientists of the Department of Surgery № 2 of the University. On the basis of the surgical department of Kharkiv Regional Clinical Hospital, the Chief Physician of Klinik Sachsenhausen has performed four surgical operations for the treatment of obesity, namely Sleeve-resection of the stomach, MGB-resection of the stomach and two Gastric Bypass resections.



The participants of the event had an extraordinary opportunity not only to see with their own eyes the practical skills of the German specialist in laparoscopic surgery, but even to act as assistants.

On March 15, the German surgeon was met by specialists at the University Clinic. On the basis of the Department of Minimally Invasive Surgery, Plamen Staikov, along with specialists from the surgical department of Kharkiv Regional Clinical Hospital and the University Clinic, performed a distal gastrectomy with a D2 lymph node disorder in a patient of 70 years who was diagnosed the tumor of the distal stomach. One more event happened that day, Prof. Staikov met the University's and the University Clinic's authorities. During the meeting the words of gratitude on behalf of the Rector Prof. Vladimir Lesovoy were delivered to the honored guest. For qualitative and professional workshops, the German specialist was awarded with an honorary certificate of gratitude. In turn, the foreign guest was impressed by the warm reception and the great interest of students to the workshops, and also expressed his hope for further fruitful and long-lasting cooperation in the frames of the Agreement on Cooperation. This year within the partnership programmes six interns, two students and two members of the academic staff managed to undergo short term traineeships on the base of Klinik Sachsenhausen. The working plan for the further cooperation between our University and Klinik Sachsenhausen has already been approved.





ACADEMIC MOBILITY

ACCORDING TO THE STANDARDS OF EUROPEAN MEDICINE

If any of you are concerned about the question 'Is it worth taking part in the programme?', answer is definitely, 'Yes!'.

The rank of Klinik Sachsenhaausen in Frankfurt is very high. In Germany, the functions of medical insurance system provide its patients with an opportunity to get qualified medical care using expensive equipment and tools. First-class specialists, modern technology, organization of work, including small things, methods of treatment and diagnosis, and much more. Each of us needs to look from the inside at the work of such a mechanism in order to make for themselves the standards of European medical care clear and put them into practice.

The experience and skills gained at Klinik are very valuable and necessary. However, we have to warn you that it is better to have a certain knowledge. First, to understand what is happening around. Second, to compare the methods that are used in our country, and the accomplishments of European specialists.

Practice left a strong impression. Since such a journey and acquaintance with such a wonderful surgicine and interest to





geon as Dr. Plamen Staikov, the desire and interest to learn and work in medicine have increased several times.

Andriy Drokin, a student of the II-nd Medical Faculty
Yelyzaveta Zaporozhchenko, a student of the I-st Medical Faculty

1ST INTERNSHIP AT PAIN INSTITUTE

From 6 to 16 May 2019, I had a great opportunity to pass medical training programme at Pain Institute in a charming city of Munich in Germany, which is a heart of Bavaria. Medical training programme was dedicated to physical rehabilitation, pain management and diagnostics. It was provided by the Honorary Professor of Kharkiv National Medical University. Professor of the Department of Physical Rehabilitation, Sports Medicine with a Course of Physical Education and Health, the Director of Pain Institute Wolfgang Bauermeister.



I was involved in the medical research activities of the hospital under the guidance of Professor and his assistants, took part in conversation with patients and deepened my knowledge in healthcare system of Germany. This experience is undisputedly interesting, because it lets to see modern technologies of measuring density of muscle tissue with help of compressive elastography and shear wave elastography by your own eyes, to influence on trigger areas of neurogenic inflammation by shockwave therapy, to monitor the dynamics of pain involving modern software, which was developed by Professor according to the needs of Pain Institute. Sometimes it was hard to believe, that pain area was located in a plantar area of right foot, but treatment with shockwave therapy was performed in a lumbar area from the left side, because it was found, that trigger point in a form of neurogenic inflammation was there according to the data from compressive elastography. However, after pain relief during the next visit, after comparison of pain dynamics between initial and current visit or after decreasing or complete cancelling of pain relievers it becomes obvious, that mentioned therapy is rational and pioneering efforts of Professor are valuable.

After 10 days of medical training programme I started to appreciate the mentioned approach and I understood, how it is hard to implement new medical findings on a day-to-day basics. One evening Professor Bauermeister invited me to have a dinner with him and his family. Professor told me a lot about his experience of being a doctor in the USA and his life experience. That conversation was not less important than the medical training by itself and helped me to clarify many things. Overall, I met an openhearted attitude from the hospital staff and other people towards me. My free time I spent by myself and I was responsible for my leisure activities. In this way I decided to visit historical places of Bavaria, with which the ruling of King Ludwig II is connected. I visited Linderhof Palace and Neuschwanstein Catle, where I met a companion and we spent together a great time exploring fascinating views and attractions.



My advice to people who will be in the same situation in which I was, don't be shy to talk to other people, otherwise you will be on your own during all period of time. For me last statement is not a case, so it was almost always possible to find a person to spend time with. Despite heavy rains, I also visited Salzburg in Austria, the homeland of Mozart, to meet my friend there and to see the city.

10 days of medical practice passed really fast and I recommend to pass mentioned programme in any case, even if your plans for specialization don't exactly feet with the topics of the programme, but only during such trips you can meet and talk with interesting people as Professor Bauermeister and make some new openings that would probably influence your choice and future career.

Dmytro Skoryi, a student of the I-st Medical Faculty



CONGRESS OF YOUNG SCIENTISTS I

THREE UNFORGETTABLE DAYS...

Istanbul is a city of greatness, mystique and incredible beauty. It is known as a bridge between Europe and Asia, so it combines eastern traditions and western modernity. We, the students of Kharkiv National Medical University and the participants of the International Congress MuiscMed'19 at Maltepe University(Istanbul, the Republic of Turkey), we were lucky to feel this unique Turkish coloration.



Airport ... We are impressed by its size. Among the people in waiting hall we saw a friendly girl with a plate "MuiscMed". Since that time, three unforgettable days of our stay in Istanbul had begun.

During the first day we met the members of Maltepe University Student Council. We hasn't received such enjoyment from communication for a long time! During all conversations we felt sincerity, openness, amiability from everyone. The second day was devoted directly to the congress. We gained useful experience by speaking and answering questions. We also had the opportunity to listen to our colleagues reports about the achievements of medical sphere and discuss it during the coffee break. At the end of the day it was a galadinner and rewarding. The third day was oversaturated with positive emotions. During city excursion, which was organized by coordinators of MuiscMed'19, we decided to sing for each other. So, crossing Bosphorus and approaching the European part of Istanbul, we enjoyed Turkish and Ukrainian songs in live performances. Thanks to the organizers, we visited a lot of historic places and made sure that Istanbul is a really wonderful city with incredible energy!

We are very grateful for the opportunity to participate in Muisc-Med'19 to our Alma mater and our authorities. We also thank the organizers of the Congress, because it was held at a high level! We got an interesting experience, getting acquainted with Turkey's medical students and pleasant impressions. We hope very much that we will return next year!

Nechyporuk Iryna and Litvinova Kateryna, students of the I-st Medical Faculty KhNMU

■ YOUNG SCIENTISTS ■

JUBILEE CONFERENCE



On May 16, the 40th Annual Student Conference themed "Actual Problems of Tropical Infectology" took place at the Department of Infectious Diseases in conjunction with the Academic Society of International Medical Students (ASIMS). In attendance were many students from Kharkiv National Medical University, V.N. Karazin National University and Ukrainian Medical Stomatological Academy. The event has been started with an opening speech from Prof. A. Bondarenko, followed by the setting of standards by one of ASIMS representatives Shaakaa Tavershima. The conference was very informative and covered a wide range of tropical infectious diseases and their current threat to humankind and how they could be tackled. At the end of the conference, the best three presentations were awarded diplomas.



The 1st place went to Ashba Alwin Jose Suda (UMSA), the 2nd to Kumah Ruth Jadu (KhNMU) and the 3rd to Osuji Shedrack Chinechetam (V.N. Karazin University). All in attendance also received participatory certificates. A huge appreciation goes to the event organizers: A. Bondarenko and D. Katsapov, the tutors: O. Mohylenets, G. Gradil, O. Vinokurova and K. Veklych; and the ASIMS jury: Shaakaa Tavershima, Ebenezer Aheto and Kumah Ruth Jadu. Thank you all for your tirelessly ceaseless support.

Ebenezer Aheto, student 6th year, VII Faculty for International Students of KhNMU Education and Research Institute for Foreign Nationals

EUROPEAN WORKSHOP

WORTHY REPRESENTATION OF THE UNIVERSITY

On February 24 – March 2, in accordance with the program of the Open Medical Institute of the American-Austrian Foundation (AAF), the Systematic Reviews Workshop was held in the city of Salzburg (the Republic of Austria).



The representative of the University Prof. Vitalii Gargin took part in this workshop. He received the best results among all participants



according to the final testing and showed the best progress of academic performance. Also the presentation of the Case Report, performed by the team of Prof. Gargin, was recognized as the best.

Systematic Reviews is a method of mathematical generalization of the results of available thoroughly conducted health research (often named cohort studies). It provides a high level of evidences of the ef-

fectiveness of medical interventions, based on which existence of evidences and recommendation for implementation can be made.

We remind that detailed information on registration and application for participation in AAF workshop is available at www.aaf-online.org.

Based on materials from the University website





■ DERMATOLOGY CONFERENCE

CURRENT ISSUES OF INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION

On April 22 the International Scientific and Practical Conference «Psychosomatic Aspects in Dermatology» took place at Kharkiv National Medical University.



The Conference was attended by Dr. Mohammad Jafferany, the Associate Professor of the Health Department of Psychiatry at the Central Michigan University College of Medicine (USA).

The foreign guest was invited to the University by the Head of the Department of Dermatology, Venereology and Medical Cosmetology Prof. Alla Bilovol to participate in the Conference and to hold a master class for students, interns and doctors of the University on the topic "Psychodermatology: the world experience and practical aspects".

During the visit, a meeting with the Vice-Rector for Research Prof. Valeriy Myasoyedov was held. He welcomed the guest of honor at the University and expressed the confidence that this first visit of Dr. Jafferany has become the first step for long-term fruitful cooperation in the future.

During the meeting the issues of importance of cooperation between Kharkiv National Medical University and the Central Michigan University College of Medicine were discussed Seeing that Psychodermatology is quite new and relevant theme in our days not only in Ukraine but all over the World. The parties expressed the confidence that the relationship between the institutions will be further promoted.

Victoria Zakharevych

■ INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION I

PRESENTING THE NATIONAL SYSTEM OF MEDICAL EDUCATION

On March 6, representatives of a social organisation Diakonie of Germany (Neuendettelsau, Federal Republic of Germany) visited the University.





The purpose of the visit was to get acquainted with the Ukrainian system of education in higher and secondary medical institutions, in particular at Kharkiv National Medical University.

Within the framework of the visit, the delegation met the leaders of the University. The Vice-Rector for Research Prof. Valeriy Myasoedov congratulated the guests and noted, 'We are glad to welcome you at the University and in Kharkiv, because it is a city of students and universities, therefore we fully support your choice: to start acquainting with the system of medical education of Ukraine exactly from Kharkiv'.

During the meeting, a presentation of our high school in the field of international activity was given. In turn, the guests demonstrated their project "Medicine specialists from Eastern Europe". This project aims to attract students and graduates of medical institutions in Ukraine (nurses and nurse boys) to study and work in Germany.

The social organisation Diakonie is one of the largest providers of social assistance in Germany in various fields (including medical services). According to the representatives of Diakonie, their church organization cooperates closely with hospitals and social institutions.

The organization, which was founded in 1851, is reported to have about 8 thousand employees and to be operating various institutions and educational centres. The main mission of which is to provide assistance to the elderly, persons with disabilities or mental illness, etc.

Within the framework of the visit, there also was held a tour around the University for guests from Germany, during which they attended the Educational and Scientific Institute for Quality of Education of KhNMU, Auditorium No. 3 of the Training and Laboratory Building, the Scientific Library and the Museum of History of the University.

Nataliia Brezhnieva, International Relations Office

■ INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE

"GENDER. ECOLOGY. HEALTH"

On April 18-19, the 6th International Scientific and Practical Conference "Gender. Ecology. Health" was held at Kharkiv National Medical University. The purpose of the event is the interdisciplinary analysis of gender equality, ecology and health in the context of gender medicine. Representatives from Ukraine, Serbia, Belorussia, Croatia, Germany, Poland, and others participated in the conference. The format of the conference combined direct reports in the audience and on-line report.

The participants of the event were greeted by representatives of the regional authorities, in particular, the Director of the Department of Science and Education of the Kharkiv Regional State Administration Larysa Karpova and the Deputy Mayor for Health and Social Welfare Svetlana Gorbunova-Ruban. In their congratulations to the participants of the conference, they focused on the importance of issues that were considered during its conduct. This opinion was supported by the Vice-Rector for Research of the University Prof. Valeriy Myasoyedov. In his report, it was noted that the words given in the name of the conference in recent years have become a kind of a brand and in their context our University has also become recognizable and not only in scientific circles. Prof. Myasoyedov thanked the initiative group, in particular, Prof. Kateryna Karpenko, her colleagues and all the co-organizers of the event for the idea of creating such a conference.

An important event of this year's conference was the invited session "Medical Services for Transgender People: Best Practices in Ukraine and in the World". Its co-moderator Prof. Anna Kozhina outlined the domestic situation on these issues, and at the end of the session she proposed clear and convincing arguments regarding the content of the conference resolution. With interest, the participants of the session heard reports by Professor of the Department of Psychiatry, Narcology and Medical Psychiatry of the University Tetiana Mozgova and many others. The discussion of the problem was of a very scientific and practical nature. Everyone present had the opportunity to be heard

and to express an alternative opinion.



The combination of participants who are already well-known scholars, with those who are just beginning their path in science was the manifestation of democracy of the conference. The English-speaking students of our University took an active part in the confer-

ence. Among them were the 5th year student of the VII Faculty for International Students of KhNMU Education and Research Institute for Foreign Nationals Magapu Veera Venkata Akhil and the 1st year student John Jemimah Nayagawa, the 1st year students of the VI Faculty for International Students of KhNMU Education and Research Institute for Foreign Nationals Adesegun Kuye Jacobs, Logina Salam and others. This is the best evidence that the conference issues remain promising.

Prof. Kateryna Karpenko, The Acting Head of the Department of Philosophy



ETHNIC QUEST

UYSHYUANKA DAY

On May 16, the Ethnic Quest "Vyshyvanka Day" was held at V.D. Otamanovsky Centre for Medical Local Study of the University.



This event was organized to familiarize English-speaking students with the origins and meaning of the Vyshyvanka Day. The Dentistry students of the VI Faculty for International Students attended a special lecture about the symbolism of the traditional Ukrainian embroidered shirt, its regional characteristics and its history.

The lecturer of the Department of Social Sciences Vadim Ilyin noted that at one time the holiday was founded by a student of Chernivtsi University and now it symbolizes the Ukrainian national unity. Embroidered shirt underwent a long evolution from traditional peasant clothing to the form of definition of national identity, solemn attire and even become an element of collections of famous fashion designers.

The students applied their knowledge during the written assignment to recognize regional variants of embroidery by description and images. At the end of the quest, the students received embroidered ribbons.

According to the information service of KhNMU

SAINT VALENTINE'S DAY

EXHIBITION OF STUDENTS' HANDCRAFTED WORKS

Annually the students of Kharkiv National Medical University are given a chance to show their skills and talents in the field of social activity, sports and creative work. As these are not only outstanding achievements in studies, which are to be noted, but also achievements in their extracurricular activity. Moreover, art may add to their life and help manifest themselves in ways that they may not anticipate!

International students may have some problems in adaptation to the life in a foreign country and its culture, as well as to new rules and to the students they have to study with. However, on the other hand, the students who come from different countries reflect the culture, which comes to be fascinating and revealing. Consequently, the

abundant festivities hosted for students "who are united by one idea" are of special interest.

One of them was held at the VI Faculty for International Students in February. The exhibition of students' handcrafted works devoted



to Saint Valentine's Day was organized within the period from 14th to 20th of February in the hall of the Scientific Library of the University. Two exhibition boards presented the wonderful and creative students' handcrafted works that were available for anyone to see.

According to the site of KhNMU

■ PHOTO EXHIBITION

WOMEN-DOCTORS WORTH TO BE KNOWN

Healing was originally a female occupation. From ancient times, even at the household level, women have provided medical assistance, accumulating and passing on vital knowledge and skills to the next generations. Without a doubt, it can be said that thanks to these women, the doors to medicine opened, and now, in any medical specialty, equal to men, women can be seen fighting for the health and life of people.



Women managed to overcome the resistance of society, economic difficulties, hours of physical labor, and emotional stress. For all of their efforts, they received a satisfying reward - the gratitude of hundreds and thousands of people, who were saved by these women-doctors. English-speaking students of Kharkiv National Medical University prepared an exhibition about these exact women, entitled "The Great Women in World's Medicine" to celebrate the holiday occurring on March 8. Foreign students found interesting information about women-doctors from different countries of the world, and made posters to display the information in three languages (English, Ukranian, and Russian).

According to the site of KhNMU

500 SHADES OF MOROCCO

A photoexhibition of well-known Kharkiv photographers Volodymyr Ogloblin and Olena Dolzhenko "500 shades of Morocco. Zinaida Serebryakova's paths" took place in the gallery "Buzok" from 12 to 21 February, 2019.



On February 14, the delegation of the Moroccan students from Kharkiv National Medical University headed by the Vice-Dean of the VII Faculty for International Students Mariya Oliinyk visited the exhibition

The author of the photo Volodymyr Ogloblin happily met the students. The students had the opportunity to share impressions from the exhibition with the author and to hear the author's pleasant impressions from the photoexpedition to the ancient Moroccan cities such as Rabat, Chefchaouen, Azrou, Volubilis, Ouarzazate and Essaouira, where the well-known artist Zinaida Serebryakova had created her pieces of art and had found inspiration.

The students handed the Moroccan flag to the author of the exhibition as a sign of gratitude for the attention and interest to their country, as well as the promotion of the Moroccan culture in Slobozhanshchyna.

According to the information service of KhNMU





SPORT

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE WINNER OF THE INTERUNIVERSITIES MINI-FOOTBALL CHAMPIONSHIP

From 12th to 19th of March, the InterUniversities Mini-Football Championship among the students of Preparatory Departments of Kharkiv Universities was held at Banking University.



Ten teams took part in the Championship. The team of Kharkiv National Medical University, which consists of the students of the Institute for Training of International Citizens, took the first place.

Congratulations to the team and the coach Denys Kutsyi, the member of the Department of Physical Rehabilitation, Sports Medicine with a Course of Physical Education and Health.

We wish our football players perseverance, inspiration and a lot of conquest of new sports heights.

According to the information of KhNMU web-site

INDIAN AUTHENTICITY

Drawing into the cultural heritage of India

On December 29, the cultural event "History, culture and folk traditions of India" took place at the Department of Fundamentals of Internal Medicine № 1, Fundamentals of Bioethics and Biosafety.



Students of the 2nd year of the VI Faculty for International Students of KhNMU Education and Research Institute for Foreign Nationals (Chandrika Mišra, Suraj Mishra, Sarandit Kaur) prepared multimedia presentations, which provided interesting information on cultural heritage, peculiarities of the flora and fauna of the country, as well as gender differences in behaviour in different spheres of life of the Indian people.

At the end of the event, the students showed their song and dance skills, which immersed all the participants in a unique and festive Indian atmosphere.

According to the information of KhNMU web-site

CULTURAL FAIR









Issued twice a year

Editorial office: 4, Nauky Avenue, Kharkiv, 61022

Main building, 5th floor, phone 707–73–60

e-mail: redakt@knmu.kharkov.ua

www.knmu.kharkov.ua

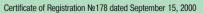
Founder - Academic community of

Kharkiv State Medical University.









Approved for print 26.12.2018. Format 60 x 90/4. Offset paper. Font Pragmatica. Offset printing. Conventional print sheets 3. Publisher's sheet 4. Circulation 500 copies. Order №12/26. Printed at «Kontrast» Publishing and Printing Enterprise. Nauky Avenue 40, app. 231, Kharkiv, 61166, Ukraine www.kontrast.kh.ua







The editorial office holds no responsibility for information accuracy. Original manuscripts are not revised or returned. The opinions expressed are those of the writers and are not



necesserily the official view of Kharkiv National Medical University. Editor-in-Chief V. Zakharevych In charge of the issue Prof. Igor V. Zavgorodnii Translators Anna Kurach, Valeriia Koliesnikova, Nataliia Brezhnieva, Inna Chernysh