



INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION

INNOVATIVE TRANSFORMATIONS REQUIRE DECISIVE ACTIONS

On August 28, Kharkiv National Medical University hosted an American investment banker, co-founder of eo-Business Incubator Dr. Charles Whitehead, and Professor Edward Simson, coordinator of eo-Business Incubator in Ukraine.



The purpose of the visit was to organize a roundtable discussion with the heads of medical scientific institutions and universities on the creation of a separate program in the field of commercialization of developments in the field of medical, bio- and pharmaceutical technologies, possible certification of products by American standards, as well as accreditation of some Kharkiv laboratories and clinics by USA standards.

The meeting was moderated by the Vice-Rector for Research Prof. Valeriy Myasoyedov, who greeted the guests: "Today's event is

extremely interesting, because now major changes are taking place in all spheres of life of our country and the world as a whole. And any changes are impossible without innovative transformations, where the path from idea to implementation into practical life is important; and actually the main idea of today's event is to facilitate this path from idea to reality".

The discussion raised the issues of creating applications for financial support from foreign investors, the legal aspects of commercialization of inventions and scientific developments, the accreditation program of Ukrainian laboratories by US accreditation companies. "The success of the commercialization of scientific development signifies a great chance of continuing quality research. The future of Ukrainian science depends on whether we learn how to turn money into scientific development" said Edward Simson.

The meeting was of introductive and informative character. Roundtable participants, leaders and representatives of more than 15 universities and research institutes of Kharkiv were very interested in the possibility of establishing a business incubator in the field of medicine and medical development. During the meeting, many questions were raised about the nuances of organization and preparing the package of documents, the legitimacy of the action and the commercialization of the developments, to which Mr Charles Whitehead and Mr Edward Simson provided detailed and complete answers.

The topic of commercialization of inventions is new, but rather relevant for the scientific society not only of Kharkiv region, but also of Ukraine as a whole, especially when it comes to a purely American system of business creation and its further development. The parties expressed confidence that the links between the institutions will continue to develop.

Anna Kurach,

Leading Expert of the International Relations Office

PARTNER VISIT

NEW WORK EXPERIENCE WITH ITALIAN COLLEAGUES

The representatives of the University, the acting Vice-Rector for research and education Assoc. Prof. Iryna Leshchyna and a leading expert of the International Relations Office Valeriia Koliesnikova, visited the university's long-term partner – Villa Stuart Sport Clinic (Rome, Italy) on November 21.



During the official meeting, the representatives of KhNMU got acquainted with clinic's activities and its main focus area. The parties discussed the development of cooperation and broadening of common priorities specter. Moreover, the parties raised the question of mutual participation in scientific conferences as well as the possibilities to organize traineeship for students and academics from Kharkiv

in the Italian clinic. It is necessary to point out that the clinic has already got the work experience with Ukrainian medical institutions and has been acquainted with health care system of Ukraine. The parties admitted the existence of some challenges and difficulties in organizational process. Nevertheless, there are lots of opportunities for cooperation. Furthermore, they made a point on combined efforts and realization of those actions in order to create appropriate staff assistance and qualified background of medical staff.



In the end of the meeting the Italian colleagues expressed their hope for future mutual cooperation. For our delegation there was made a tour round the clinic with the opportunity to observe technical facilities, rehabilitation halls and conditions of patients treating.

Adopted from the International Relations Office

INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION**ON THE PATH TO INTERNATIONALIZATION**

On October 31 – November 16, Edgar Wallisch, a representative of the SES Senior Experten Service in Germany, attended Kharkiv National Medical University.



Dr. Wallisch paid the visit as part of the SES UA-KHME-DUNI/71970750 Project. In order to implement the international project and boost the level of internationalization of the University, the

possibilities of student and academic exchanges with leading institutions of Germany were discussed. From there, search for partner universities for the implementation of projects for participation in international programmes was undertaken.

The project work was carried out at such structural units of the University as the International Relations Office, the Educational and Scientific Institute for Quality of Education of KhNMU, the University Clinic of KhNMU, the Department of Neurology No. 2, the Department of Physical Rehabilitation, Sports Medicine with a course of Physical Education and Health, the Centre of Preclinical and Clinical Researches of KhNMU.

Dr. Wallisch also gave lectures for PhD students, interns and students.

On November 14, a round table on the topic: "Participation, tasks and prospects of the German Government SES programme on the internationalization of KhNMU" with the participation of the University's leaders, a representative of Kharkiv Regional State Administration Nataliia Sukhorukova and an expert of the SES foundation in Kharkiv was held.

The results of the project were the improvement of professional skills, as well as further use of the acquired knowledge and best practices of foreign countries in structural units' activities and in the University as a whole.

Inna Chernysh, Leading Expert of the International Relations Office

PARTNER VISIT**ON THE WAY OF DEVELOPING MEDICAL EDUCATION**

The members of the National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases (NIAID) part of the National Institutes of Health (NIH) represented by Mr. Michael Tartakovsky, the Acting Chief of the NIAID Office of Cyber Infrastructure & Computational Biology, Mr. Alexander Rosenthal, the Chief Technology of the NIAID Office of Cyber Infrastructure & Computational Biology, Mr. Andrei Gabrielian, the Program Officer of the Office of Cyber Infrastructure & Computational Biology visited Kharkiv National Medical University on November 21.

During the meeting of guests with university authorities the plans as to the cooperation in research area, experience exchange and common development of medicine at KhNMU were discussed. Also, the question of including Ukraine to a group of countries which take part in global project of National institutes of health care regarding the research and studying of tuberculosis was observed.

'The aim of our visit is the interest to tuberculosis and longlasting technical results which our group has in this area. We have been working on the project regarding the inclusion of Ukraine to the chain of tuberculosis portals for 7-8 years already. The chain includes FSU Region and other countries which have severe problems with tuberculosis. We are interested in Ukraine to close the loop Georgia-Belarus-Moldova and to look at the transformation which will appear in this regard', the member of American delegation said.

The parties expressed confidence in further cooperation and connection support between the institutions. 'Such a cooperation between the authorities is referred on long term outlook. You are the representatives of authoritative institution of the USA and it is great that we are able to discuss common activity of our countries, the establishments and people. We are thankful to Professor Dmytro Butov which has organized the meeting where it is possible to consider the important questions as to our work', the Vice-Rector of research Prof. Valeriy Myasoyedov admitted.

Furthermore, in frame of establishing new partnership relations three-sided on-line meeting took place between the representatives of Duquesne University (USA), University of Pittsburgh and KhNMU on November 25. Dean of John G. Rangos School of health sciences of Duquesne University Fevzi Akincy, the Associate Professor of University of Pittsburgh School of Health sciences Faina Linkov, the Vice-Rector for research Prof. Valeriy Myasoyedov, Professor of the Department of Phthiology and Pulmonology Dmytro Butov and the Head of the International Relations Office Anzhela Stashchak took part in discussing the prospects for future cooperation. The parties covered a point of academic mobility, introduction of double diploma programme, participation in common science projects, as well as expressed concernment and assurance in future cooperation.

Inna Chernysh, Leading Expert of the International Relations Office



INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION

KEY TOUCHPOINTS AND PROSPECTS FOR DEVELOPING RELATIONSHIPS

From 15 to 16 October the representatives from Kutaisi University (Georgia) Giorgi Gabisonia, the Head of the Medical Doctor Program and Tatia Kharabadze, the Program Coordinator of the Faculty of Medicine visited Kharkiv National Medical University. The main goals of the Georgian delegation were to get acquainted with the academic and research activities of the University, to introduce Kutaisi University, to develop international relation between the universities, to discuss possibility of academic mobility for staff and students and to take part in the Conference.



On October 16, the guests visited the International Scientific and Practical Conference «New Trends in the Diagnosis and Treatment of Internal Diseases», dedicated to the 100th anniversary of the birth of famous academician and physician L.T. Malaya. Mr. Gabisonia emphasized that the topic of the Conference was interesting and the speakers' reports were constructive and informative.

On October 17, the official meeting with the authorities of the University, the Vice-Rector for Research Prof. Valeriy Myasoyedov and the Vice-Rector for Research and Education Prof. Volodymyr Markovskiy, was held to discuss future ways of cooperation between universities. The meeting was started by Prof. Myasoyedov's welcoming speech, 'We are proud to welcome you at our University with 215 years of history. Our

University is the strong foundation for research, practical and theoretical knowledge base. However the University is an active participant in reforming of medical and educational systems, which are taking place at the present time in Ukraine. At the same time, it is very important for us to keep traditions and particular features of our University. We believe that the direction we have chosen will lead to prosperity and welfare of our University. I think we can find the common interests and aspects for successful cooperation in direction of academic mobility for staff and students. I would like to notice that Ukraine has friendly relationship with Georgia and quite big Georgian diaspora exists in Kharkiv besides there are many Georgian students who are studying at our University.

In response, Giorgi Gabisonia presented Kutaisi University and described the educational medical program and system in Georgia. He said that there are 27 universities with medical programs, 17 of them are private ones, and 10 of them are public ones. Kutaisi University is a private university and 80% of its students are foreigners. The training is carried out in English. Currently, the Faculty of Medicine has been established at Kutaisi University and next year they take plan to teach up to 100 students. Mr. Gabisonia also noticed, 'Today our University has some difficulties with teaching staff, who could teach students the medicine of the XXI century. But we have strong professional relations with clinics and hospitals of Kutaisi as our students spend much more time at clinics and hospitals than at university. Also, we can offer you collaboration in the scientific field, as many clinical researches are conducted in Georgia'. He also suggested joint participation in international programs of Erasmus +.

Both sides expressed an intention to continue future cooperation in this direction.

Inna Chernysh, Victoria Zakharevych

GRADUATES OF KhNMU

ALMA MATER WELCOMES HER FORMER STUDENTS

On October 23, the Association of Kharkiv Graduates (Morocco) visited KhNMU.



Former students have met with their mentors, university's leaders, and compatriots who are currently studying at KhNMU.

During the meeting, the guests discussed the issues of modern education and postgraduate employment, thanked the University representatives for the opportunity to visit alma mater again and see with their own eyes how the University has changed.

'I graduated from KhNMU in 1995. During my internship, I worked at Maternity hospital No. 4 with Professor Valentin Grischenko, and then returned back to Morocco. All I can say to students is that they have to work, work hard and only under these conditions they would manage to become real doctors. I personally sincerely thank to the University for the knowledge I have gained while studying in Ukraine', said Ashir Khalid, graduate of KhNMU.

Representatives of the administration of the University, in turn, put the honoured guests wise to the changes that took place in the University and specifics in education of foreign students.

'So far, the University has all conditions for study purposes of foreign students. Representatives from other countries receive assistance not only in the learning process but also in adapting to it. You yourself have an experience of how difficult it is to study and socialize in a foreign land. The University has a structural unit which was created to deal with these issues. In addition, the facilities of KhNMU are constantly updated, and today students can actively practice their skills and get the training materials which they need', noted Iryna Leshchina, Acting Vice-Rector for Research and Education.

The KhNMU's graduates, together with Dmytro Marakushyn, the Director of the Education and Research Institute for Training of International Citizens of KhNMU, addressed current students from Morocco and told about their studies at the University, present work as doctors, and gave some useful advice to future colleagues.

Nataliia Brezhniva, Expert of the International Relations Office of KhNMU

ACADEMIC MOBILITY

RELATIONSHIPS THAT HAVE HISTORY

On September 3, a three-week visit of representatives of Tehran University of Medical Sciences (Tehran, Iran) to Kharkiv National Medical University has begun. The delegation of three teachers and four students of the Dental Faculty of TUMS, paid a visit to our University within the framework of the academic mobility programme.

On the first day, a programme of visit was quite intense. Our partners met with the Vice-Rector for Research Prof. Valeriy Myasoyedov, the Vice-Rector for Research and Education Prof. Volodymyr Markovskiy, and the Head of the International Relations Office Anzhela Stashchak.



During the meeting, Prof. Valeriy Myasoyedov noted that TUMS was the first Iranian university which signed an agreement on cooperation with KhNMU. According to the Vice-Rector, a lot of fruitful work has been done during this

time, and the relations between the institutions, which have already had their history, have become not only partnership but friendship. 'Ukraine and Iran are countries with great potential, and we are convinced that such interaction between universities and public structures enriches each of the parties and promotes the development of both countries. We will try to make your stay in our University colourful and highly charged', said Prof. Valeriy Myasoyedov.

During the meeting, the issues of expanding a field of cooperation to science sector were discussed. The case touched on holding annual joint scientific conferences, joint publications, participation in research projects and more. Prof. Volodymyr Markovskiy wished the guests a good and fruitful work at dental departments of KhNMU, to share their experience and to get a new one in the field of dental science and education.

Thereafter, guests attended the Museum of History of KhNMU, the Department of Pathological Anatomy and the Museum of Anatomy of the University. The Iranian students and their mentors were amazed at the rich exhibit of the museums, the availability of unique preparations and the interesting history of becoming one of the oldest and most prominent medical schools in Ukraine.

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ACADEMIC MOBILITY**STUDY ABROAD**

According to the results of competitive selection in 2018/2019 academic year 121 students of medical faculties and the Faculty of Dentistry embraced the opportunity to complete summer practice, training courses, study and internships in countries such as Turkey, Poland, Iran, Azerbaijan, Uzbekistan, Georgia, Bulgaria, Germany, Lithuania, Ukraine.

Through the implementation of academic mobility programmes, students of KhNMU are able to gain knowledge and experience of foreign physicians, become acquainted with some other pedagogical methods, acquire new competencies, as well as to expand their outlook and enrich themselves culturally.

The University receives positive feedback from students who have already taken advantage of this opportunity and completed training courses at partner universities.

PRACTICE AT IVAN HORBACHEVSKY TERNOPIL NATIONAL MEDICAL UNIVERSITY

This year we had an opportunity to undergo summer practice at Ivan Horbachevsky Ternopil National Medical University.

We underwent a practical training in therapy, surgery, paediatrics, obstetrics and gynaecology at Ternopil Regional Communal Children's Clinical Hospital, Ternopil Regional Clinical Perinatal Centre "Mother and Child", Centre for Primary Health Care and other medical institutions of the city. We were working as doctor's assistants, we collected medical histories, did an objective examination of patients, took part in additional examination methods, and filled tons of medical records. We also visited the Department of Coronary Angiography and Minimally Invasive Surgery, Orthopaedics and Traumatology, Paediatric Urology and Oncology departments as well. We were able to attend different surgeries, to find out different methods of surgery and features of the rehabilitation period. We were impressed by the friendly attitude of doctors, their desire to share knowledge, and their own clinical experience.

We also had enough free time to explore the city of Ternopil. In addition, we visited other cities, including Lviv, Ivano-Frankivsk, Zbarazh, Yaremche. During such small trips, we got acquainted with outstanding architectural monuments and got a lot of bright emotions.

We are grateful to the International Relations Office of KhNMU for the opportunity to improve our practical skills and get an unforgettable experience!

Alina Tregubenko, Darya Novikova, Nataliia Vashchenko, students of the I-st Medical Faculty

PRACTICE AT YEDITEPE UNIVERSITY

Thanks to the International Relations Office of KhNMU, we were fortunate enough to have a practice at Yeditepe University in Turkey, Istanbul. Our practice was divided into 4 cycles: obstetrics and gynaecology, paediatrics, surgery and internal medicine. The University Clinic impressed us with its technologies in reproductive medicine, sophisticated laparoscopic surgeries, children-friendly offices, modern medical equipment, the qualification of doctors who spoke English fluently and tried usually to give us as much information about the patient and the newest medicines as possible, allowed us to be assistants during operations. Students always helped us gladly: they translated Turkish, explained the features of culture and communication.

In our spare time we had an opportunity to get acquainted with this majestic city because it combined Eastern traditions and Western modernity. Teachers and students always answered our questions about historical sites and modern buildings that we wanted to visit very much in order to enjoy the views of Istanbul. The University management took care of our comfortable stay and our moving around the city. So, we thank KhNMU for such an unforgettable experience.

Veronika Poliakova, a 5th year student of the II Medical Faculty

Nataliia Makarenko, a 5th year student of the I Medical Faculty

PRACTICE IN POLAND

Summer practice in Poland has been lasting for two weeks and based at University Hospital in Wroclaw. I spent my first week at vascular surgery and transplantology department. Next week I was practicing at general surgery and oncosurgery department.



Summer practice had its pros and cons. Cons were predominantly connected with situations of misunderstanding, which were in both departments at first. It would be useful to know several basics of Polish language, for example greeting and farewell phrases. After saying "Dzień dobry" or "Dziękuję" Polish people were more polite and friendly, than after saying "Good morning" or "Thank you". I don't know, why it is so, but we have faced such situation. Another aspect we faced with was the departments overload. Nevertheless, during our medical practice there were also positive aspects. We are thankful to doctors, those who explained us different parts of medical operations, draw schemes and answered questions despite of long-lasting night shifts, found time for us and were friendly, not taking into account language,

in which we started a conversation with them. During our second week we asked to attend coronarography and heart vessels stenting, for the first time in my life I have observed an operation of radiofrequency and cryoablation of heart, attended an electrophysiological laboratory and was a witness of emergency medical manipulations, which were performed by real professionals. For such impressions it is worth not to take into account several misunderstandings in order to enjoy well-coordinated work of medical stuff, the work as it should be, with detailed explanation and answers on all questions.

Wroclaw left positive feelings after itself. Every sixth or seventh citizen of it is the Ukrainian one. The city is located not far from the Czech Republic, what can be considered as a good excuse to visit Prague during the weekend. In this case you need to be prepared to walk at least 30 km, for this distance is required to explore this city. During second weekends I was lucky to visit Morskie Oko lake known as one of the five most beautiful lakes on the Earth by Wall Street Journal. Comfortable sneakers are must-have for such trip. We lived in Wroclaw in a dormitory, which was not full in summer time, everything was clean and appropriate.

Overall, I want to say, that you don't have to pay attention to small misunderstandings and try to find rather common moments with people, than aggravate relationships. And always strive to what is interesting for you, because sincere interest motivates people to tell and explain more, opens doors to completely new pathways and enriches your life with experience, which would not be possible in other circumstances.

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

ACADEMIC MOBILITY

PRACTICE AT TEHRAN UNIVERSITY
OF MEDICAL SCIENCES

This year I had the opportunity to undergo summer practice in clinical dentistry at Tehran University of Medical Sciences (TUMS), Republic of Iran. Immediately I will say – the choice of the country is not accidental: everyone knows about majestic Persia and at least once used to read Omar Khayyam. But what do we know about nowadays of the Islamic Republic of Iran? I wanted to fill this gap in knowledge and to know something new about the vectors of development of dental science of this country.

And with enthusiasm I am already standing in front of the TUMS School of Dental Medicine. The practice consisted of a theoretical part, demonstrations of surgical interventions and practical training using phantoms.

The Department of Prosthetic Dentistry has opened us a world of digital methods for the diagnosis, prognosis and treatment of patients with partial or complete adentia. Endodontists vigorously discussed the target point of the most effective treatment of root canals and provided the opportunity to practice on endoblocks (models that mimic the root canal). They also discussed the newest methods of treatment of paediatric patients using extraoral orthodontic devices for the treatment of prognathic and progenic bites. I was very impressed with the equipment of the Department of Paediatric Dentistry where we were able to see the full protocol of treatment of paediatric patients under sedation. There was also a master class in periodontal surgery and much more.

But the greatest value of practice was the ability to communicate with foreign students. I have many friends from Turkey, Iran and Iraq with whom we discovered Persia. I was very impressed with how harmoniously intertwined antiquity and modernity in architecture, I was struck by the extraordinarily open people who were more than willing to come to the aid of a foreigner. I can say that I felt the rhythm of the city, its character and rules.

Therefore, I strongly recommended all students of KhNMU to take advantage of the opportunities of international exchange programmes to gain new knowledge and unforgettable emotions from their student years.

Dmytro Komarov,
a student of the Faculty of Dentistry

PRACTICE IN IRAN

My practice took place in Iran, the city of Bojnurd. And it was great! It is awesome that our University gives its students such invaluable opportunities!



We spent four weeks practicing in a hospital. Time flew by like one day. We were fully involved in the work. Every day in the hospital we assisted different specialists who shared their knowledge with us kindly. Plenty of practice in operating rooms, in the Department of Obstetrics and Gynaecology, in therapeutic departments and in the Department of Paediatrics.

We were provided with cosy accommodation and full board. Every week we had different excursions

and learned a lot about such a beautiful oriental country Iran and its rich culture.

Elina Kharchenko,
a student of the III-rd Medical Faculty

MEDICAL PRACTICE IN BAKU



From June 26 to July 23, we were fortunate enough to undergo practice in Baku. The trip to Azerbaijan allowed us to get good and varied practice. The doctors of the university hospitals shared their knowledge and experience, explained us all their actions, and discussed some clinical cases with us. We felt like a complete part of the hospital's healing process.

Even the lack of the Azerbaijani language did not stop us from communicating with patients, because everything we did not understand was perfectly interpreted by our leaders. Definitely, we were delighted with this productive collaboration. These four busy weeks flew almost in an instant. We convey our thanks to the host party for their friendly welcome and our University for the opportunity to undergo practice in Baku. We hope that it is just the beginning and looking forward eagerly for new opportunities and future experiences.

Kateryna Yuntsova,
a student of the III-rd Medical Faculty

DENTAL PRACTICE IN BAKU

From June 13th to July 26th, I had the opportunity to undergo dental practice at Azerbaijan Medical University, Azerbaijan. For one and a half month under the programme, I had to go through three cycles: therapeutic, orthopaedic and surgical dentistry. Each department shared its own experience, provided good literature, showed sufficient number of clinical situations which we all tried to understand together.



As for the practical part, the Faculty of Dentistry owns a phantom building, which has phantom audiences where students can train in advance before admitting patients and a huge clinical hall where students and doctors are able to examine and treat their patients. Here, in turn, the staff will provide everything that students and doctors need for work.

I had the opportunity to attend this hall both as a student and as a doctor.

And I mastered some practical skills here first on

phantoms, and then on patients.

I would also like to extend my thanks to tutors for whom I was assigned. Each doctor showed his attention not only during school hours, but also in his spare time. Thanks to such doctors, I learned about the sights of the city, saw many beautiful places and just spent time with good people, discussing a variety of topics.

I am really pleased with the practice that took place in Baku. I was touched with the warm welcome from the university, their care for students from Ukraine was at the maximum level. I am grateful to each employee and just a resident of Baku for the fact that students from Kharkiv National Medical University lived and studied in complete calm and comfort.

Kateryna Koverha,
a student of the Faculty of Dentistry

USERN-2019

SCIENCE WITHOUT BORDERS

The annual USERN Congress took place this year in Budapest (Hungary) on November 8-10 at Semmelweis University and Avicenna International College.



The event was attended by Viktoriya Tkachenko, Dean of the 4th Medical Faculty, Liudmyla Kryvenko, Professor of the Department of Paediatric Dentistry, and Implantology, Anton Tkachenko, Associate Professor of the Department of Biochemistry, and Olga Hovardovska, Assistant

Professor of the Department of Phthysiology and Pulmonology.

Academics from our University enjoyed the opportunity to present their research as invited lecturers and rate the presentations of undergraduate students from various countries as chairs of sections. Students of our University – Kyrlyo Dehtiar and Yevhenii Bezeha – participated in junior talks.

Nima Rezaei, a Professor of Clinical Immunology and Allergology at Tehran University of Medical Sciences (Iran), is the founder of Universal Scientific Education and Research Network (USERN) whose aim is to promote science without borders. The organization unites the best researchers in all fields of science, including 13 Nobel laureates. During the congress, the annual USERN Prize Awarding Festival took place. The USERN prize whose size reaches 5000\$ was provided for young researchers under 40 years of age for innovative achievements.

Furthermore, during her stay in Budapest, Liudmyla Kryvenko visited the Department of Paediatric Dentistry at Semmelweis University to discuss the possible ways of mutual collaboration and share clinical and pedagogical experience.

Anton Tkachenko, Associate Professor of the Department of Biochemistry

ACADEMIC MOBILITY

WE ENCOURAGE YOU TO JOIN ACADEMIC MOBILITY!

Students of the I Medical Faculty underwent internships in physical rehabilitation in Germany.



Kateryna Litvinova and Valeriya Zlenko received an invaluable experience and exceptionally positive emotions.

'The practice at the Pain Institute in Munich made an incredible impression on me. It was very interesting and challenging to learn about completely new methods of diagnosis and pain treatment, to work on modern equipment and assist during receiving and examining patients. I hope that such internships will be available to students in the future!', said Kateryna Litvinova.

We encourage all students of KhNMU to join academic mobility!

ISIC-2019

KhNMU – THE TERRITORY OF ACTIVE AND CREATIVE

On the 18th-20th of September, the annual International Scientific Interdisciplinary Conference (ISIC-2019) was held at KhNMU. The working language of the conference was English.



On the first day, the Opening Ceremony was held, at which the Vice-Rector for Research Prof. Valeriy Myasoyedov congratulated the participants of the conference, and the participants remembered how it was at ISIC-2018.

This year ISIC was held in 8 sessions: obstetrics, therapy, surgery, preventive medicine, infectious diseases, neuroscience, biomedicine, paediatrics.

As always it was full with interesting events, informative sessions, cutting-edge reports and vivid scientific atmosphere.

Traditionally the Brain Ring intellectual game was carried out during the ISIC. An exciting game format has brought together as many as 17 participating teams this year. Participants demonstrated their knowledge in psychiatry and neurology, paediatrics, biomedical sciences, therapy, surgery, parasitology, dentistry and others. The fight was fierce and it was impossible to immediately determine the winners.

On the final day of ISIC-2019 participants were able to attend exciting master classes in art therapy, paediatrics and therapy, and lecture on pathological morphology by Prof. Iryna Sorokina.

Thanks to everyone who participated in ISIC-2019!

Olesya Pliekhova, the chairman of the SSS Council

INTERNSHIP

INVALUABLE EXPERIENCE FOR YOUNG PROFESSIONALS

The International Society of Orthopaedic Surgery and Traumatology SICOT annually provides internships for young professionals up to 45 y.o. at the world's most famous clinics. Assistant Professor at the Department of Emergency Medicine, Orthopaedics and Traumatology, Ph.D. Dmytro Lapshyn was chosen for a month-long internship in October 2019 at the Motol University Clinic in Prague, Czech Republic.



'During my internship under Professor Vojtech Havlas' supervision at the adult and paediatric orthopaedics clinic, I was able to participate in more than 80 surgeries, assisting the leading European specialists in the big joints replacement, arthroscopic knee surgery, shoulder and hip arthroscopic surgery and lots of others.

This has given me the great opportunity to gain invaluable experience that I can now share with colleagues and students. I will also use it in my medical practice with my patients. Another important aspect of the internship was the establishment of international contacts for further cooperation with representatives of Charles University, Prague, Czech Republic', noticed Dmytro Lapshyn.

Dmytro Lapshyn, Assistant Professor at the Department of Emergency Medicine, Orthopaedics and Traumatology

VISIT OF A DELEGATION

SENSIBLE ADVICE



On 16th October, a delegation of the Academic Society of International Medical Students (ASIMS) from the UK which consisted of Adeyemi Ayodeji Alexander and Thurein Soe visited Kharkiv National Medical University. They delivered a lecture for the University students on the topic "Medical advice from KhNMU graduates".

The lecture was attended by the students of the VI and VII faculties for international students of KhNMU Education and Research Institute for Foreign Nationals, the ASIMS members and local students.

During the presentation, Adeyemi Ayodeji Alexander and Thurein Soe brought the students' attention to the peculiarities of the Health-

care in the UK. They informed about the requirements to confirm a foreign diploma and to obtain the doctor's license in the UK, as well as about difficulties that graduates may encounter with. They also answered all the questions of the students, who were present at the lecture.

This event motivated KhNMU international students to be keen on their studies.

Olena Krainenko,
Vice-Dean of the VI Faculty for International Students
of KhNMU Education and Research Institute for Foreign Nationals

THE EXHIBITION WORLD

MEDICAL UNIVERSITY JOINS WORLD AIDS DAY



Every year, December 1st is World AIDS Day. People all over the world are coming together to show support for patients living with HIV and to remember those who have died of AIDS. This event was also joined by our Medical University.

On December 6 the Academic Society of International Students (ASIMS), under the auspices of the Dean's office of the VII Faculty for International Students, held an interactive exhibition "AIDS Awareness DAY" at the library hall. As part of the event, English-speaking students held workshops on demonstrating HIV prevention, treatment and diagnosis, communicating with library visitors, and inviting them to answer their questions. Also on the big screen was a presentation

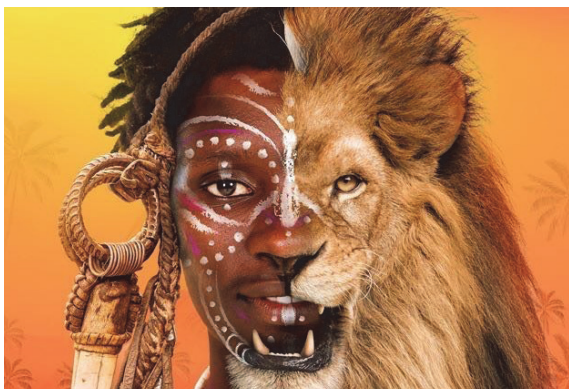
dedicated to famous public figures (actors, singers, athletes, politicians) who have died because of AIDS or continue to fight the disease today. A special attention was paid to debunking the myths that still accompany HIV.

The exhibition was visited by the Vice-Rector for Research and Education Prof. Ivan Letik, the Director of the Institute for Foreign Citizens Training Dmytro Marakushin and the Dean of the VII Faculty for International Students Oksana Vasyliieva. They noted that such measures give hope to people from all over the world that any diagnosis is not a verdict, and one should never give up and lose hope.

According to the materials of the site of KhNMU

STUDENT LEISURE

CIRCUS PROGRAM FOR INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS



As a part of their reward for dancing in all celebrations and festivals held at Kharkiv National Medical University over the past few years, and in honor of National Student's Day, on November 17th, the Dean of the 7th faculty organized a visit to the circus for African foreign students. Oksana Vasyliieva and her deputy, Galina Poluektova, accompanied the students from Nigeria and Ghana. Students of the VI and VII faculties for international students of KhNMU Education and Research Institute for Foreign Nationals studying in the 2nd-3rd year watched a circus programme entitled "Africa!!!" in which there were guest performers from Ethiopia.

African artists by nature possess incredible flexibility, dexterity,



strength, and body control, while doing complex acrobatic stunts. The artists brought several native species of African wildlife with them, including clever and mischievous monkeys, and a lion, the king of the savannah, and a symbol of Ethiopia.

Attending such events is very important not only to show foreign students support and encouragement from the Dean's office but also to provide a source of inspiration and interesting ideas to incorporate into future dance performances.

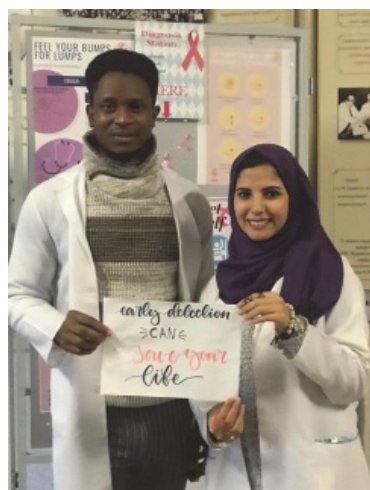
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TO THE WORLD BREAST CANCER DAY

URGENT AND IMPORTANT

An event dedicated to the World Breast Cancer Day was held on October, 11th in the lobby of the main building of KhNMU. The World Breast Cancer Day is celebrated in many countries around the world annually on October 15th.



The event was prepared by students of VI and VII faculties for International Students of KhNMU Education and Research Institute for Foreign Nationals and members of the Academic Society of International Medical Students (ASIMS).

The purpose of the event was to increase public awareness about the issue of breast cancer and the importance of diagnosing the disease in the early stages for timely treatment.

Information on the spread of breast cancer had been posted on information stands and hand-

outs. It was noted that the most threatening age for the disease is about 40 years. In addition, students provided information about methods of cancer diagnosis and stressed that self-examination is an important step in the timely detection of breast disease.

Along with that, Associate Professor of the Department of Pathomorphology Darya Galata presented and explained pathological anatomy of the breast tumours.



Reference.

Breast cancer is on the first place in the structure of cancer incidence and mortality among women. More than 14.5 thousand new cases of breast cancer are reported annually in Ukraine, including 25% in women of reproductive age. More than 5.5 thousand women die yearly, more than 20% of them are of reproductive age.

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