



## INTERNATIONAL PARTNERSHIPS

### Jacob Stegenga Awarded Honorary Professorship of Kharkiv National Medical University

*By decision of the Academic Council of Kharkiv National Medical University (KhNMU), Professor Jacob Stegenga has been awarded the title of Honorary Professor of KhNMU in recognition of his significant contribution to the development of international scientific cooperation and his support for the University's internationalisation efforts.*



During the award ceremony, KhNMU Rector Valerii Miasoiedov expressed his sincere gratitude to Professor Stegenga for his continued support of Ukraine and his active collaboration with the University. In response, Professor Stegenga thanked the University for the

great honour of becoming part of the KhNMU academic community and emphasised the importance of further strengthening international partnerships.

Professor Jacob Stegenga is an internationally recognised philosopher of science whose research focuses on the philosophy of medicine, bioethics, and medical epistemology. He is Professor of Philosophy at Nanyang Technological University (Singapore) and Senior Research Associate at the Centre for the Future of Intelligence, University of Cambridge (United Kingdom).

Professor Stegenga has been collaborating with KhNMU since 2023. During this period, he has participated in the University's international conferences, round tables, and educational events. His series of lectures on the philosophy of medicine for KhNMU doctoral students attracted particular interest within the academic community, covering topics such as evidence-based medicine, bioethics, and critical thinking.

During his visit to Kharkiv, Professor Stegenga took part in a guided tour of the city. He visited the University's academic buildings, learned about the history of KhNMU, and witnessed the consequences of the war-related destruction suffered by the city. The visit provided him with an opportunity to experience first-hand the resilience of Kharkiv's residents and the University's academic community, which continues to work, teach, and develop despite the ongoing challenges.

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### KhNMU Participates in the Ukrainian–Swiss Project Meeting



*On 26–27 March 2026, Kyiv hosted a meeting of pilot higher education institutions participating in the Ukrainian–Swiss Medical Education Development Project. The event focused on strengthening institutional capacity and enhancing cooperation among participating universities.*

Discussions centered on the outcomes of the project's second phase, institutional transformation, and strategies for ensuring the sustainability of implemented initiatives.

Kharkiv National Medical University (KhNMU) was represented by a delegation led by Rector Professor Valerii Myasoiedov. The programme included panel discussions and working sessions dedicated to integrating project initiatives into university processes, improving practical training, enhancing medical education, and strengthening the role of higher education institutions in advancing modern medical education.

KhNMU representatives shared the University's experience in simulation-based learning, innovative approaches to practical training, and the integration of digital technologies, including artificial intelligence, into the educational process. The meeting once again demonstrated the value of inter-university cooperation as a driving force for the continuous development of medical education.

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### KNMU Participates in Twinning Conference 2025 in London

*On 13 November, representatives of Kharkiv National Medical University (KNMU) participated in the Twinning Conference 2025, held at Birkbeck, University of London, as part of Ukrainian Culture Week in the United Kingdom.*

The international conference brought together representatives of Ukrainian and British universities, government institutions, and international organizations. Participants reviewed the achievements of the three-year UK–Ukraine Twinning Initiative and discussed future priorities for partnership, academic mobility, and collaborative research.

A highlight of the event was the presentation of a Letter of Appreciation from Professor Valerii Myasoiedov, Rector of KNMU, to Charles Cormack, founder of Cormack Consultancy Group, in recognition of his continued support for KNMU students and his contribu-

tion to strengthening the partnership with the University of Cambridge.

Following the conference, the KNMU delegation attended the memorandum-signing ceremony of the Global Coalition for Ukrainian Studies at Senate House, University of London. During the event, the delegates met with Andrii Sybiha, Minister of Foreign Affairs of Ukraine, who reaffirmed his support for the development of international university partnerships.

KNMU's participation in the Twinning Conference 2025 marked another important step in strengthening international cooperation, advancing research initiatives, and supporting the University's engagement with the Global Coalition for Ukrainian Studies.

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**MEMORANDUM**

## A New Stage of International Cooperation

On 23 March 2026, Kharkiv National Medical University (KhNMU) welcomed Dimitri Trotignon, founder of the French innovative company Resilience Orthopedic. During a meeting with KhNMU Rector Valerii Miasoiedov, the parties discussed prospects for cooperation in the fields of advanced prosthetics, rehabilitation, and the integration of digital technologies into medical education.



Particular attention was devoted to the development of innovative approaches to prosthetic manufacturing using 3D scanning, digital modelling, and advanced materials. The participants also discussed the possibility of establishing practical internships in prosthetics and orthotics for KhNMU students.

As part of his visit, the French guest toured the University's Museum of Medicine Complex and the Prosthetics and Orthotics Laboratory of the University Hospital. The visit concluded with the signing of a cooperation agreement between KhNMU and Resilience Orthopedic, marking the beginning of a new phase of partnership. The agreement creates new opportunities for the implementation of joint educational and practice-oriented projects and will contribute to the further development of modern rehabilitation and prosthetic care in Ukraine.

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**RESEARCH & INNOVATION**

## Strategic Partnership for Research and Innovation



A delegation of Kharkiv National Medical University (KNMU) paid a working visit to Lancaster University (United Kingdom), marking a new stage in international cooperation in medical education, research, and innovation.

A key milestone of the visit was the signing of a Memorandum of Understanding between KNMU and Lancaster University, establishing the foundation for a long-term strategic partnership. During the meetings, the partners discussed joint initiatives, including a Horizon

Europe proposal and collaborative research projects in medical simulation, biomechanics, rehabilitation, and artificial intelligence.

Particular attention was given to cooperation with Lancaster Medical School and the University's engineering departments. This interdisciplinary collaboration will combine clinical expertise with advanced technologies, fostering innovation in simulation-based education, prosthetics, and digital medicine, while positioning KNMU as an important clinical partner in future international research.

As part of the visit, the KNMU delegation also participated in the prestigious UK-Ukraine Research Bridge, organized by the Royal Society in London. The forum brought together leading researchers and institutions from Ukraine and the United Kingdom to strengthen scientific collaboration.

During the event, KNMU representatives presented the ADAPT-T-SOCKET: The New Generation of Adaptive Prosthetic Sockets project, aimed at developing innovative adaptive prosthetic sockets to reduce post-amputation complications, improve patient mobility, and enhance quality of life.

The partnership with Lancaster University and participation in international research initiatives create new opportunities for KNMU to expand collaborative research, secure international funding, and contribute to the advancement of innovative medical technologies in Ukraine.

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**INTERNATIONAL PARTNERSHIPS**

## KhNMU Expands Cooperation with Lancaster University



A delegation from Kharkiv National Medical University (KhNMU) visited Lancaster University (United Kingdom) as part of an international collaboration carried out jointly with colleagues from Dnipro University of Technology. The visit focused on advancing modern rehabilitation and prosthetic care for patients affected by the war, as well as integrating digital technologies into clinical practice.

Over the course of two weeks, KhNMU representatives worked alongside British and Ukrainian specialists in Lancaster University's medical and engineering laboratories. The programme included

training in 3D scanning, digital modelling, CAD/CAM technologies, and additive manufacturing, all of which are essential components of the modern digital workflow for designing personalized prosthetic and orthopaedic devices.

The delegation also explored motion capture technologies and gait analysis systems, which enable objective assessment of patient mobility, evaluation of rehabilitation outcomes, and the development of personalized recovery programmes.

During the visit, KhNMU representatives presented the experience of the KhNMU University Hospital and the Centre for Rehabilitation and Prosthetics in providing comprehensive care for patients requiring prosthetic treatment and long-term rehabilitation.

Meetings with Lancaster University researchers focused on future collaborative projects in rehabilitation, biomechanics, artificial intelligence, and medical data analysis. The participants also discussed opportunities to establish international research consortia and prepare joint applications for Horizon Europe funding.

The knowledge and experience gained during the visit will support the further development of the KhNMU University Hospital, strengthen the University's Centre for Rehabilitation and Prosthetics, and promote continued international research collaboration.

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## MEMORANDUM OF COOPERATION

### A New Stage of Partnership: KhNMU Expands Cooperation with Charité

A delegation from Kharkiv National Medical University (KhNMU), headed by Rector Valerii Miasoiedov, paid a working visit to Charité – Universitätsmedizin Berlin as part of the SOLOMIYA programme, which brings together Ukrainian and German experts in the field of mental health care.



During the visit, a Memorandum on International Medical Partnership was signed between Kharkiv National Medical University and the Department of Psychiatry and Psychotherapy, Campus Charité

Mitte (CCM), Charité – Universitätsmedizin Berlin. The memorandum is aimed at strengthening bilateral cooperation, promoting the exchange of expertise, and disseminating international best medical practices.

As part of the SOLOMIYA programme, KhNMU has joined the implementation of the Medically – E-learning Hub project, which focuses on developing a modern national platform for the continuous professional development of healthcare professionals. University experts are actively involved in designing educational content and developing training modules tailored to the needs of healthcare professionals during the wartime and post-war recovery period. The platform will serve as an important tool for professional development, providing medical professionals with access to high-quality educational resources regardless of their location.

The project builds upon the Hospital Partnership's E-learning Hub for Ukraine initiative, which is dedicated to supporting and advancing medical education in Ukraine under wartime conditions.

At present, the Medically platform already offers educational courses in the fields of mental health, chronic pain, traumatology, rehabilitation, leadership training, burnout prevention, as well as learning materials for nurses. As the project continues to expand, new educational areas aligned with Ukraine's national educational priorities will be introduced, including oncology, cardiology, otorhinolaryngology (ENT), neurology, paediatrics, nursing, and physiotherapy.

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## INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION

### Kharkiv National Medical University Expands International Partnership with Azerbaijan

At the end of June, a delegation from Kharkiv National Medical University (KNMU) visited Baku as part of the implementation of the Memorandum of Understanding with Azerbaijan Medical University (AMU).



During the visit, the delegation held working meetings with the leadership of AMU, delivered open lectures, participated in a roundtable discussion, exchanged professional experience, and became

acquainted with the work of the university's clinics and academic departments.

A particularly significant milestone was the signing of a Memorandum on International Medical Partnership between KNMU and the National Oncology Center under the Ministry of Health of the Republic of Azerbaijan. This agreement opens new opportunities for joint research projects, academic mobility, professional training, internships, and the development of clinical cooperation.



As part of the academic programme, Vice-Rector for Research, Professor Oksana Nakonechna, delivered an open lecture for researchers, physicians, and PhD students of Azerbaijan Medical University, presenting the latest scientific achievements of KNMU.

Professor Nataliia Makieieva, Head of the Department of Pediatrics No. 2, conducted a roundtable discussion dedicated to modern approaches to the diagnosis and treatment of pediatric oncological diseases. The event became an important platform for professional exchange between Ukrainian and Azerbaijani specialists.

In addition, KNMU PhD student Abdullaiev successfully completed an internship at the National Oncology Center, gaining valuable practical experience alongside leading Azerbaijani specialists.

International partnership means new knowledge, joint research, and even greater opportunities for the advancement of medical education, science, and healthcare.

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**INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION**

## French Delegation Visits KhNMU



On 17 February 2026, Kharkiv National Medical University (KhNMU) welcomed a French delegation to strengthen Ukrainian–French medical cooperation and discuss future collaboration in the training of specialists in Emergency Medicine.

During the visit, the delegation toured the University's educational and clinical facilities, including the Simulation Centre of the Educational Quality Assurance Institute, the Scientific Library, and the KNMU University Hospital, where they learned about the University's practical training system and clinical education opportunities.

As part of the programme, Professor Jeanno Schmidt delivered an open lecture for physicians and academic staff on modern approaches to emergency medical care, clinical decision-making in critical situations, and interdisciplinary teamwork in emergency departments.

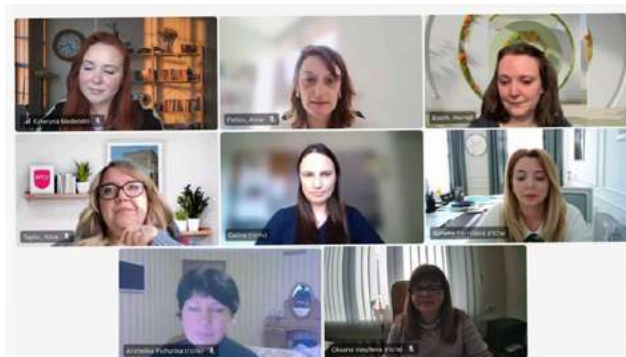
During meetings with the University leadership, representatives of KhNMU, Expertise France, and Clermont-Ferrand University Hospital discussed key areas of future cooperation. Particular attention was given to the development of Emergency Medicine as a medical specialty, strengthening clinical training, organizing professional placements for Ukrainian doctors and nurses in France, and implementing modern educational standards and clinical protocols in line with European practices.

The visit marked an important step in expanding KhNMU's international partnerships and strengthening cooperation with French medical institutions in support of the modernization of Ukraine's healthcare system.

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**NURSING EDUCATION**

## KhNMU Continues to Expand International Cooperation



As part of its partnership with Nottingham Trent University (United Kingdom), Kharkiv National Medical University (KNMU) has launched a series of interactive lectures for students enrolled in the Nursing programme.

On 22 April 2026, the first joint lecture, dedicated to neurorehabilitation, brought together Ukrainian and British experts to share contemporary approaches to the care of patients with neurological disorders.

Participants had the opportunity to learn about British standards of patient care, including the principles of safe nursing practice, prevention of complications, and the organization of the rehabilitation process.

A particular highlight of the event was the integration of theory with practice. Real-life clinical cases, an interactive learning quest, and engaging discussions created a dynamic and effective educational experience.

Initiatives such as these provide future nurses with valuable international learning opportunities, contribute to enhancing the quality of nursing education, and promote the implementation of international best practices in Ukraine.

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**SIMULATION EDUCATION**

## KhNMU Continues to Strengthen International Cooperation

From 17 to 19 June 2026, representatives of Kharkiv National Medical University (KhNMU) participated in the 31st Annual Congress of the Society for Simulation in Europe (SESAM), held in Lyon, France. The congress brought together more than 1,300 participants from 64 countries, providing a valuable platform for professional exchange and innovation in medical simulation.



Tetiana Merkulova, Deputy Director of the Educational Quality Assurance Institute, and Oksana Vasyliieva, Acting Head of the Department of International Relations, Grant Activities, and International Student Support, presented KNMU's experience in simulation-based education, innovative teaching methods, and the adaptation of medical education to contemporary challenges.

During the congress, the KNMU delegation held a series of international meetings focused on the further development of the University's Simulation Centre and opportunities for international accreditation. A Memorandum of Understanding was also signed with the French Fondation Léonie Chaptal, opening new prospects for cooperation in nursing education.

KhNMU's active participation in SESAM reflects the University's commitment to international quality standards, educational innovation, and deeper integration into the European Higher Education Area.

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## INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCES

### KNMU Representatives Participate in International Conference

On 19 September 2025, the Global and International Scientific Conference, entitled «Advancing Epidemiology Education for the Next Generation of Public Health Experts», was held in Seoul, Republic of Korea with the support of the Korean Society of Epidemiology.



The conference brought together researchers from more than 13 countries, providing a platform for international collaboration and the exchange of scientific knowledge through English-language sessions with simultaneous interpretation.

Kharkiv National Medical University was represented by Professor Dmytro Butov of the Department of Infectious Diseases, Pediatric Infectious Diseases and Phthisiology, who presented the study «Association of the Beijing Lineage of Mycobacterium tuberculosis (Lineage 2) with Drug Resistance in Ukraine: A National Whole-Genome Sequencing Study», and Professor Nataliia Makieieva, Head of the Department of Pediatrics No. 2, who delivered the oral presentation «Asthma or Recurrent Wheezing: Where Is the Boundary?».

The presentations addressed current issues in the molecular epidemiology of tuberculosis, as well as modern approaches to the diagnosis and epidemiological analysis of childhood bronchial asthma in Ukraine.

A particularly significant achievement was Professor Dmytro Butov's recognition with an award for one of the conference's outstanding research presentations. The awarded study was conducted in collaboration with the Research Center Borstel (Germany) and the National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases (NIAID) (United States).

In the closing remarks, the session moderator acknowledged the contribution of Ukrainian researchers, emphasizing that despite the challenges of war, Ukrainian scientists continue to conduct research at the highest international level.

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## IN FOCUS

### KNMU Professor Participates in International Immunology Conference



From February 27 to March 2, Professor Halyna Yeromenko of the Department of Propaedeutics of Internal Medicine, Nursing, and Bioethics at Kharkiv National Medical University participated in the annual meeting of the American Academy of Allergy, Asthma & Immunology (AAAAI), dedicated to the advancement of precision medicine.

During the conference, Professor Yeromenko presented a poster entitled «Manifestation of Asthma Exacerbations Are Influenced by Psychosocial Factors Under War-time Martial Law in Ukraine». The study focused on the impact of wartime psychosocial factors on asthma exacerbations in Ukraine.

One of the highlights of the meeting was a lecture delivered by Nobel Laureate Drew Weissman, who presented the research that laid the foundation for the development of mRNA vaccines and new therapeutic approaches for immune and genetic disorders.

Participants also discussed complex asthma cases, innovations in the prevention of hereditary angioedema, and modern approaches to medical education, including the Rapid Cycle Deliberate Practice (RCDP) simulation training methodology.

Participation in international scientific events such as the AAAAI Annual Meeting enables KNMU to integrate the latest global scientific achievements into medical education, research, and clinical practice in Ukraine.

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## ISIC 2026

### Three Days of Science, Innovation, and International Collaboration



From May 25 to 27, 2026, the International Student and Young Scientists Interdisciplinary Conference (ISIC 2026) was held at Kharkiv National Medical University.

Over the course of three days, young researchers, postgraduate students, and doctoral candidates from different countries presented the results of their research, discussed current challenges in modern medicine, and shared innovative approaches to disease diagnosis, treatment, prevention, and patient care.

The conference program featured sessions in Neuroscience, Surgery and Traumatology, Dentistry, Internal Medicine, Infectious Diseases, Obstetrics and Gynecology, Pediatrics, Preventive Medicine, Nursing, and Theoretical and Experimental Medicine.

A special highlight of the conference was the lecture by Professor Jacob Stegenga, «Principles of Leadership in Public Health». The lecture attracted considerable interest among participants and provided valuable insights into evidence-based medicine and public health.

We sincerely thank all participants, research supervisors, jury members, moderators, and partners for their contribution to the advancement of young scientists and for making ISIC 2026 a success.

We look forward to seeing you again at future ISIC scientific events!

**Alesia Nartova**

**INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION**

## KhNMU Expands Its International Academic Horizons



This spring, Kharkiv National Medical University (KhNMU) actively participated in a series of international educational events aimed at strengthening academic partnerships and promoting integration into the European Higher Education Area.

Acting Head of the Department of International Relations, Grant Activities, and Support for International Students, and Associate Professor of the Department of Physiology, Oksana Vasylieva, represented KhNMU at a number of international events held in the Republic of Moldova and Austria.

In Chişinău, international meetings focused on issues of higher education quality, academic mobility, and the development of cooperation among universities within the European Higher Education Area. Participants discussed opportunities for the international accreditation of academic programmes, the implementation of Erasmus+ projects, and the establishment of new institutional partnerships.

The University's international engagement continued with Ms Vasylieva's participation in International Staff Week 2026, hosted by FH JOANNEUM – University of Applied Sciences in Graz, Austria. The event brought together representatives of higher education institutions from around the world to discuss international cooperation, sustainable development, security, and the evolving role of universities in addressing contemporary global challenges.

Participation in such international events strengthens institutional partnerships, creates new opportunities for student and staff academic mobility, and reaffirms KhNMU's commitment to active integration into the European Higher Education Area.

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## KNMU Representatives Complete International Training in Austria



From 13 to 18 July 2026, Olena Husak, Head of the Department of Foreign Languages, and Volodymyr Abashnik, Professor of the Department of Philosophy and Social Sciences, participated in the Staff Week for German Language Teachers held in Graz, Austria, within the framework of the Erasmus+ Mobility of Individuals programme.

The event, organized by FH Joanneum – University of Applied Sciences in Graz, focused on contemporary approaches to teaching the German language in higher education institutions, as well as the use of German in teaching philosophy and social sciences.

During the programme, the participants explored a range of topical issues, including grammar preparation for the B2 German language certification, modern methods of teaching German, the specific features of Austrian German, democracy-related topics in foreign language teaching, and other current educational issues.

As part of the training programme, the KNMU representatives visited the Language Centre and the International Office of FH Joanneum, exchanged professional experience with Austrian colleagues, and discussed prospects for further inter-university cooperation and the development of international educational projects.

The programme also included cultural activities, visits to the historical landmarks of Graz, and a meeting at the City Hall, providing an excellent opportunity to gain deeper insight into Austria's culture and academic environment.

International cooperation, academic mobility, and the exchange of experience create new opportunities for the professional development of university staff and further strengthen KNMU's position within the European Higher Education Area.

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**ACADEMIC MOBILITY**

## KhNMU Representatives Participate in the Erasmus+ Programme



Representatives of Kharkiv National Medical University (KhNMU) took part in the Erasmus+ international academic mobility programme hosted by the Medical University of Warsaw, Poland.

From 18 to 22 May 2026, KhNMU academic staff participated in an international training programme, gaining insight into contemporary European approaches to medical education, scientific research, public health, physical education, and interdisciplinary collaboration.

During the programme, the participants visited specialised departments and administrative units of the Medical University of Warsaw, where they became acquainted with innovative teaching methods, educational technologies, research practices, and the University's state-of-the-art facilities. They also discussed prospects for further cooperation, the development of joint research projects, and the expansion of academic mobility opportunities.

Despite the challenges posed by wartime conditions, KhNMU continues to strengthen its international partnerships and promote the integration of Ukrainian medical education into the European academic community.

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## ACADEMIC MOBILITY

### KNMU Students Complete Winter Clinical Placement at the University of Cambridge



As part of the cooperation between Kharkiv National Medical University (KNMU) and the University of Cambridge within the framework of the UK-Ukraine Twinning Initiative, two KNMU students, Zoriana Kryvoruchko and Daryna Pryimak, successfully completed a seven-week winter clinical placement at Addenbrooke's Hospital in Cambridge.

During her placement, Zoriana trained in the Upper Gastrointestinal Surgery Department, where she participated in preoperative planning, postoperative patient care, multidisciplinary clinical meetings, and assisted in complex surgical procedures.

Daryna completed her placement in the Department of Reconstructive and Plastic Surgery, assisting in microsurgical procedures involving nerve and vascular reconstruction, soft tissue reconstruction, and revision surgeries following trauma and oncological treatment.

Both students were fully integrated into the work of their clinical teams, taking part in daily ward rounds, multidisciplinary case discussions, and educational activities organized by the School of Clinical Medicine. Particular emphasis was placed on international clinical protocols, evidence-based medicine, and the principles of effective teamwork in healthcare.

During the visit, the students met with Professor Paul Wilkinson, Dean of the School of Clinical Medicine, who received a Letter of Appreciation from Professor Valerii Myasoiedov, Rector of KNMU, in recognition of his support for Ukrainian medical students and his contribution to strengthening the partnership between the two institutions.

This clinical placement marks another important step toward integrating Ukrainian medical education into the European educational and research area while further strengthening KNMU's strategic partnership with leading universities in the United Kingdom.

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### New Opportunities and International Experience



Two fourth-year students of the Second Medical Faculty of Kharkiv National Medical University (KhNMU), Huseyn Heydarov and Karina Torokhtii, successfully completed the autumn semester of their studies in Adana, Türkiye, under the Erasmus+ KA1 mobility programme.

Throughout the semester, the students completed clinical rotations at leading regional hospitals, enhanced their practical skills, worked in multidisciplinary teams, and gained insight into modern approaches to diagnosis and treatment.

They highlighted the high level of hospital digitalization, advanced medical equipment, and well-established clinical protocols. Particularly valuable was the experience of communicating with patients and making clinical decisions in challenging situations.

The programme was conducted in an international learning environment alongside students from various European countries, providing an excellent opportunity to broaden their professional perspectives and improve their medical English.

Upon successful completion of the semester, both students received certificates recognizing their participation in the programme.

Academic mobility is an important step toward professional growth and the further integration of Ukrainian medical education into the European Higher Education Area.

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## CONGRATULATIONS!

### KhNMU Students Become Laureates of an International Medical Congress

In April 2026, the 1st Warsaw International Medical Congress was held at the Medical University of Warsaw, bringing together more than 200 scientific presentations from Poland, the United Kingdom, Lithuania, Ukraine, Israel, and Germany.



Department of Surgery No. 4 of Kharkiv National Medical University (KhNMU) was represented by a team of first-year students of

the Faculty of Medicine: Marharyta Chopenko, Olha Kurafieieva, and Yelyzaveta Popovska.

Following the Surgery section, their presentation entitled «Magnetic Instruments Improves Treatment Outcomes for Combat Injuries to Soft Tissues», supervised by Professor Vitalii Makarov and Associate Professor Oleksii Petiunin, was awarded First Prize. The presentation was also selected for delivery at the Congress's closing plenary session.

Based on their performance at the final plenary session, the student's presentation was recognised as the best presentation of the entire Congress. The KhNMU students were awarded a First Prize Diploma and the Congress Gold Medal.

In addition, Olha Kurafieieva and Yelyzaveta Popovska presented poster presentations focusing on the treatment of modern combat injuries.

The research presented by KhNMU students attracted considerable interest from young international medical researchers and Polish specialists, contributing to the strengthening of international academic cooperation between Kharkiv National Medical University and its international partners.

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## INTERNATIONAL EDUCATION

### KhNMU Participates in International Education Exhibition in Morocco



*Kharkiv National Medical University (KhNMU) participated in the International Education Exhibition in Casablanca, Morocco, bringing together representatives of the global academic community, prospective students, and their families.*

During the exhibition, the KhNMU team presented the University's academic programmes, highlighted opportunities for studying medicine, provided admissions guidance, and introduced visitors to the available study formats. The event also created valuable opportunities for establishing new international partnerships.

Visitors showed particular interest in KhNMU's distance learning opportunities and the combination of high-quality, affordable medical education offered in Ukraine.

Participation in the exhibition marked another important step in strengthening KhNMU's international cooperation and promoting the University on the global educational stage.

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## RESEARCH & INNOVATION

### KhNMU Researcher Completes International Research Project



*Through the cooperation between Kharkiv National Medical University (KhNMU) and the German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD), Professor Vitalii Hargin, MD, successfully completed a long-term research project in Munich, Germany.*

The project focused on the development and improvement of an artificial intelligence model for diagnosing gastrointestinal cancers. The research included high-resolution scanning of histological slides, annotation and verification of pathological specimens, and the identification of diagnostically significant regions of interest.

The study was conducted using unique materials from the collection of the Institute of Pathology at Ludwig Maximilian University of Munich, directed by Professor Frederick Klauschen. The project continues the long-standing scientific collaboration between the researchers, which began at Charité – Universitätsmedizin Berlin.

Participation in this international initiative enabled Ukrainian scientists to contribute to the development of advanced digital medicine and artificial intelligence technologies while providing access to the research resources of one of Germany's leading universities despite the challenges caused by the war.

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## INTERNATIONAL ACTIVITIES

### KhNMU Student Participates in an International Conference



*Polina Kyiko, a second-year student of the Medical Faculty II at Kharkiv National Medical University, represented the University at the 29th IMSSC 2026 held in Istanbul, Türkiye.*

During the conference, she presented a scientific poster entitled «Pharmacological Effects of Nitroglycerin and Its Role in the Diagnosis of Retrosternal Chest Pain».

The research was conducted at the Department of Pharmacology and Medical Prescription under the supervision of Acting Head of the Department, Associate Professor Inna Dunaieva, and Assistant Professor Olena Pautina.

Participation in international scientific conferences provides students with an opportunity to develop their research skills, present their findings to the international academic community, and gain valuable professional experience.

We are proud of our students who successfully represent Kharkiv National Medical University on the international stage!

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