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Dear Friends and Colleagues,

It gives us immense pleasure to invite you to the 17th Shaukat Khanum Cancer Symposium from the 2nd to the 4th of November, 2018 to be held in Lahore, Pakistan. The symposium is well-established as the largest oncology meeting in Pakistan, attracting more than 3000 delegates and over a hundred guest speakers from all over the world, each year. All our invited speakers this year are experts in their fields and their presence will not only lead to an exchange of ideas on the latest diagnostic and treatment paradigm for various cancers but will also serve as a platform to build future research and educational collaborations.

This year, we are delighted to welcome a highly distinguished plenary speaker, Prof. Pierre-Alain Clavien, Head of Surgery and Transplant, University Hospital Zurich, Switzerland. As always, the plenary session promises to be of immense interest to all health care professionals, including researchers and trainees.

To further our commitment to nurturing original research talent amongst young physicians, The Ahsan Rashid Memorial Session will provide a forum for oral presentation of the best original research at the meeting. A gold medal, named after the late Mr. Ahsan Rashid, a renowned philanthropist and social activist and former member of the Board of Governors of the Shaukat Khanum Memorial Trust will be awarded to the best oral presenter.

Lahore, known as the city of gardens, is an ancient city, steeped in culture and with a 2,000 year history encompassing the pre-Islamic period, the era of the great Mughals and the British colonial period. It was in Lahore that the historic Pakistan Resolution, calling for the creation of the state of Pakistan, was passed, in 1940. John Milton, in Paradise Lost, named Lahore as one of the greatest cities of the world. With its beautiful Mughal and colonial period architecture and its world-renowned cuisine, the city continues to be a source of delight to all who visit.

We look forward to welcoming you to Lahore for what promises to be a rich academic and cultural experience.



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