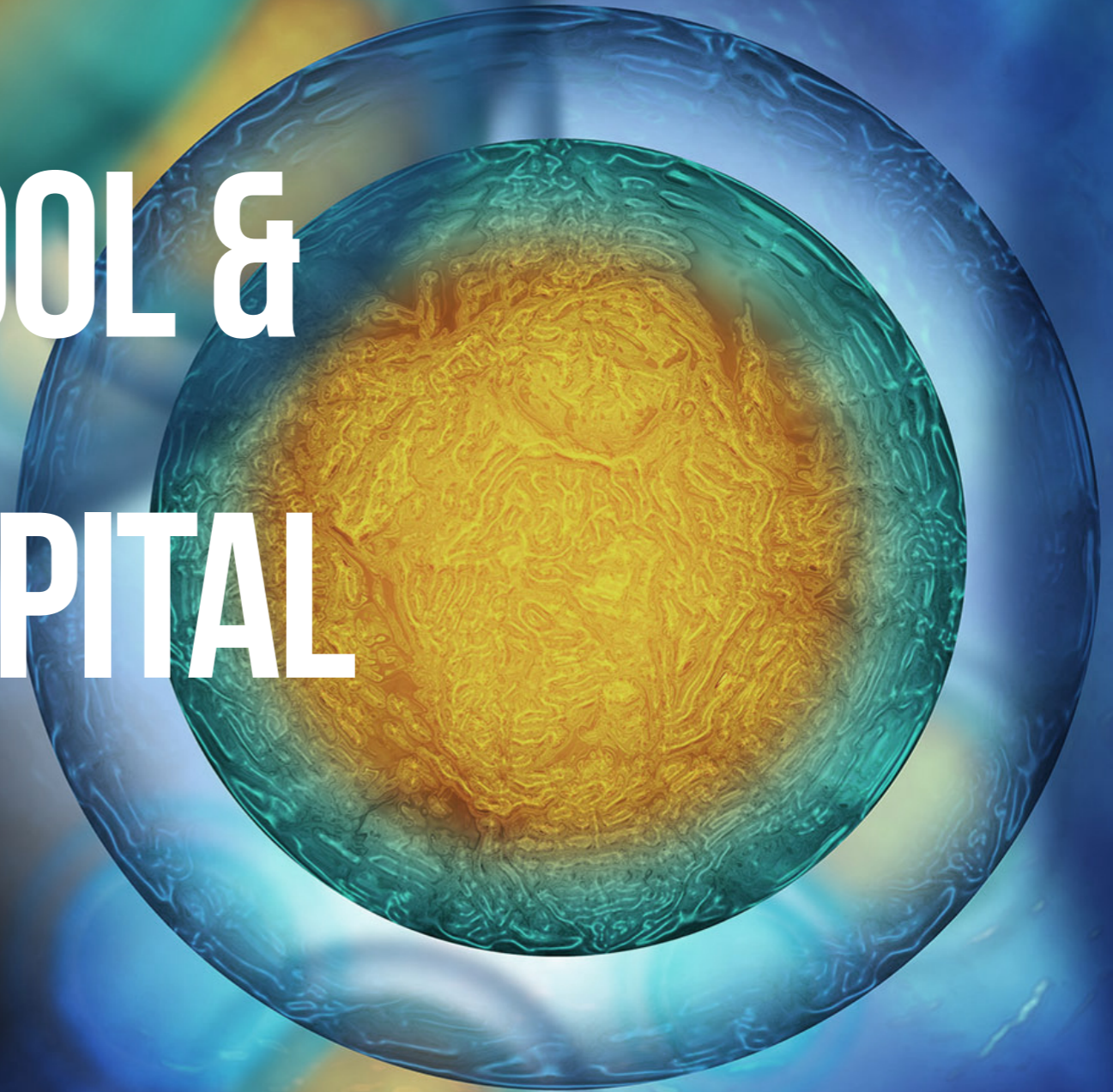


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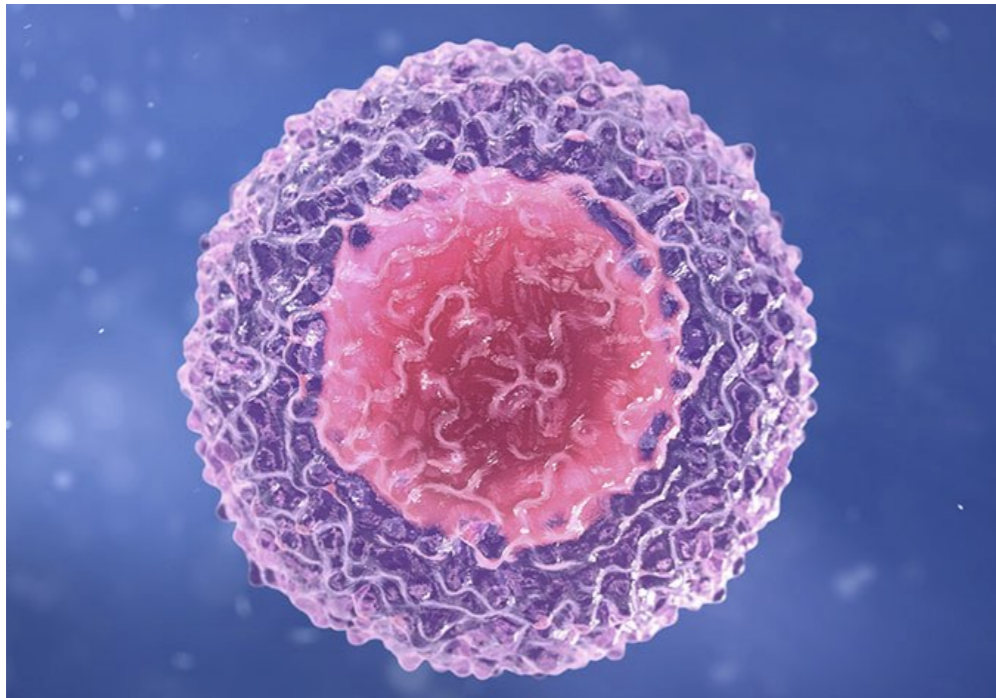
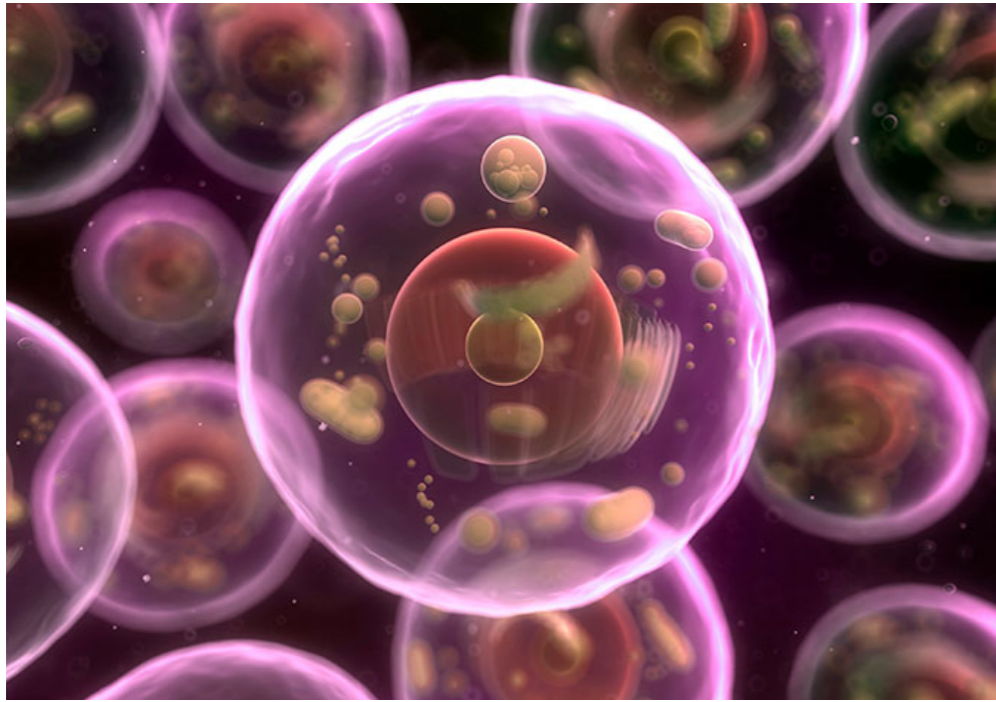
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PARTNERSHIP MEETINGS & WORKSHOPS

PMU receives a delegation from two of the main partners in its remarkable expansion project to establish the PMU Medical School and Teaching Hospital in the vicinity of its main campus in Aziziah, in the Eastern Province of KSA.

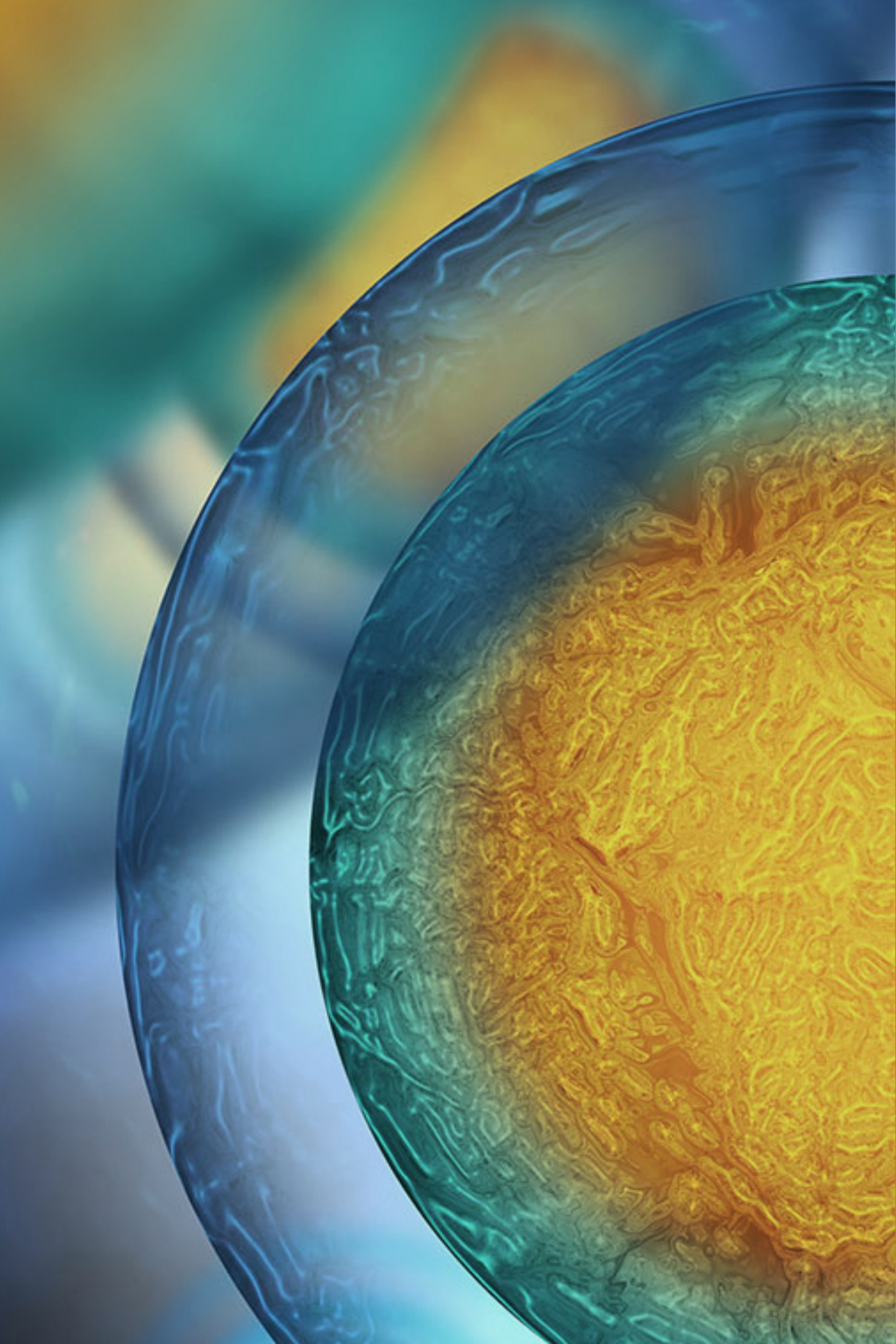
The project responds to an urgent need to provide medical education opportunities for youth in Saudi Arabia, and to build national capabilities in specific areas of medical specialties. PMU also aims to support the sector of healthcare that is struggling to keep up with the current needs within the country's escalating growth and young population.

The two-day series of meetings and workshops gather the leadership and key administrators from PMU and the academic consultant for the dual project. HURON Consulting Group, based in Chicago is a public company traded on the NASDAQ Global Select Market. The consultancy group has decades of experience in designing, reforming and reengineering medical education and healthcare services, with leading universities in the US, using a wealth of resources and experience from the field. As the academic consultant, HURON will advise PMU on the design of the medical academic programs, the review of the architectural designs of the



academic and healthcare space, the governance model, human resource requirements and development plan, the medical Learning Resource Center, the information technology strategy and infrastructure, as well as the international affiliation and accreditation plan. Visiting from HURON Consulting Group is President and CEO James Roth who brings to the project 35 years of consulting experience with many of the premier research universities, academic medical centres, healthcare organizations and non-profit research institutes across the US and abroad. John Curry, Principal, also represents HURON in the two-day series of meetings and workshops. Curry previously served as Executive VP at MIT, VP for Business and Finance at Caltech, Admin Vice Chancellor and CFO at UCLA, and VP for Budget and Planning at USC and was NIMH Fellow in Organizational Research at Stanford.

Gruppo Villa Maria (GVM), is an Italian group of hospitals, operating 45 healthcare facilities in five countries in Europe. GVM brings decades of experience in designing, organizing and managing hospitals using cutting-edge technologies, innovative techniques and methodologies, with a philosophy of humanisation of treatment and a focus on the doctor-patient relationship and patient-oriented comfort. Visiting from GVM is Ettore Sansavini, President of



the Group and a guru of the healthcare sector in Italy, Bruno Biagi, Executive Vice President, and Luca Vegetti, Board Member in Foreign Subsidiaries and International Growth. As partner in the project of the Teaching Hospital, GVM has run a market and feasibility study to help determine the needs in the region, the medical specialty and sizing of the hospital, the space requirements, technologies and equipment required, the operation model in close relationship with the governance model set for the project, as well as the training of staff at all levels. GVM will not only advise on those aspects of the hospital project, but will be a long term partner investing resources and expertise in the operation of the hospital. The series of meetings and workshops will take place on February 17 and 18, 2019, and are intended to conclude with a signing of agreements, and kick off of action plans and an overall timeline for the project between the three parties.

“We are delighted to receive the high level delegations on campus, and we look forward to the detailed negotiations of the strategy of the project. The consultants have been selected for their wealth of expertise, and we are confident that today is an important milestone as we lay the cornerstone of a landmark of healthcare in the Middle East, the PMU School of Medicine and Teaching Hospital”, said Dr. Issa Alansari, PMU Rector as PMU prepares to host this event.