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AKU holds its 32nd Convocation ceremony in Pakistan

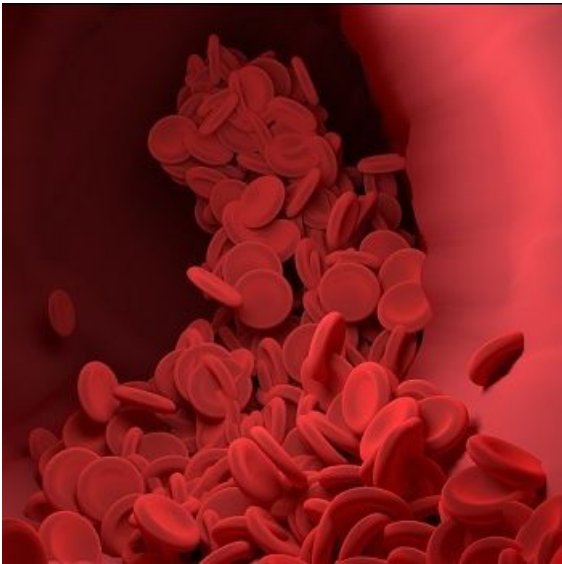
Last month, the Medical College graduated over 143 students including one Doctor of Philosophy in Health Sciences at the AKU Convocation. Congratulations to all our graduates! We wish you the very best in your careers and welcome to the alumni family!

Alumni Spotlight, Dr Asim Belgaumi '89



Chief Medical Officer and Associate Dean for Clinical Affairs, Dr Asim Belgaumi chose to return to Pakistan after training and serving abroad for 26 years. Dr Belgaumi inspires anyone he interacts with. He recalls some of the best moments from his student days at AKU, his return to Pakistan, and what motivates him to be the best at his work. [More >>](#)

Research Highlights



AKU's department of paediatrics and child health, in partnership with Integration Xperts (iX), are using artificial intelligence to reduce thalassaemia deaths. [More >>](#)



Findings from a Pakistani evaluation of a neglected care-giving method for newborns, Kangaroo Mother Care, a practice which is rarely used in Pakistan due to cultural barriers, has been published by our researchers. [More >>](#)

Faculty in Focus



Recently, Dr Zahra Hasan started her new role as Director of the Health Sciences Programme Raised in Pakistan, Dr Hasan completed her undergraduate and PhD in London at Imperial College. She wanted to study in a field that would benefit Pakistan. [More >>](#)

Other Stories



The annual PGME conference provides residents, trainees, and interns with opportunities to learn from the best practitioners. This year's theme, Tawazun (balance), explored how to successfully juggle professional commitments with personal life.

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The Nutrition and Early Human Development Conference held at the Medical College discussed solutions to deficiencies in children across Pakistan. Over 200 academics, policymakers, experts and ECD professionals from 26 countries explored the importance of promoting early development. [More >>](#)

Upcoming Events

Trauma: Striving for Change

February 14-16

The fifth AKU Annual Surgical Conference will focus on saving lives by following a systematic approach for improving trauma care and training. Click [here](#) for more details.

Update from Alumni Affairs



Congratulations to all 2019 AKU graduates and welcome to the AKU alumni community!

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