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The Egyptian Hypertension Society signed a cooperation agreement with Astrazeneca, a leading global biopharmaceutical company, with the aim of contributing to combating the hypertension dangers and its complications that cause almost half of cardiovascular deaths. The project includes the establishment of specialized clinics for diagnosis, treatment and awareness for hypertension patients in many university hospitals nationwide.

Dr. Mohammad Mohsen Ibrahim, the Cardiovascular Professor, Cairo University, and the Chairman of the Egyptian Hypertension Society; and Dr. Khaled Atef, the Chairman of Astrazeneca Board of Directors signed the agreement.

"I am really happy of this project which fully complies with the Society rules of association; statistics showed that more than 26% of the Egyptian adults suffer from the hypertension and two thirds of them do not know about their infection," Dr. Ibrahim said, pointing out that the physicians can control the disease for only 8% of the patients.

"The agreement includes the establishment of a number of specialized hypertension clinics in 9 university hospitals (Cairo, Ain Shams, Alexandria, Helwan, Zagazig, Suez Canal, Beni Suef, Minya, Assiut) as a first stage that will expand over the coming three years to include a wide range of hospital universities," said Dr. Atef.