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A celebration in support of myelo-proliferative neoplasm (MPN) patients entitled "Know your condition: MPN10" was held by Cairo University's Qasr Al-Ainy Hospital and the Neoplasm Don't Alarm (NEDA) patient group, affiliated with the Egyptian Society of Haematology and Research (ESHR).

On this occasion, Cairo University's landmark hospital, Qasr Al-Aini, was lit up in red—the MPN awareness colour. The event included medical seminars for patients and doctors and shed light on this rare blood disease, raising patient, family, and caregiver awareness of treatment options and support organisations.

"I am very happy to host this event for the second time at this regional educational bastion," said Fathy Khodeir, the dean of Cairo University's Faculty of Medicine. "It reflects the faculty's tireless efforts in serving MPN patients, offering them all the

necessary conditions to receive the latest therapies available."

Khaled Makeen Al-Refaa'i, faculty deputy for Community Service and Environmental Development, stressed the importance of cooperation between international organisations and medical associations to raise awareness of MPN and its optimal treatments. "Early detection means a swift start to treatment which can inhibit disease progress, allowing patients to resume their normal lives."

The second educational seminar for MPN patients was held under the auspices of the Department of Internal Medicine, headed by Ali Jaballah, and the Qasr Al-Ainy Haematology Unit, led by Zakaria Ismail.

"For the first time ever we are announcing a vital initiative that offers a platform for ongoing communication between professors and rare disease specialists," said haematology professor at Cairo University Mervat Matar.