On 4 June 2012, modern PET/CT scanner was officially opened at University Hospital — report from the opening ceremony; Krakow (Poland)

On the 4th of June, the PET/CT center has been opened in Cracow. That hybrid system has been installed in Nuclear Medicine Center which is part of Endocrinology Department of University Hospital. This is one of the sixteen PET/CT scanners operate in whole Poland and first public hybrid equipment in province of Malopolska.

That most modern PET scanner equipped with high classesses computed tomography gives possible to detect very early neoplastic changes and metastases, which were not perceptible with used accessible technicians (such as conventional computed tomography or magnetic resonance imaging).

The opening ceremony was organized as a short presentation. The Head of Endocrinology Department and the Head of Nuclear Medicine Center welcomed the participants and answered questions from journalists about role of PET/CT scanner and explained the value of clinical examinations performed with used the new equipment. The Director of University Hospital approached benefits of first public PET/CT scanner installation for patients, especially from Malopolska area.

The ceremony ended with visit to the Nuclear Medicine Center of all invited guests and a presentation of the PET/CT scanner,

AW Volume Share 5 processing station and the laminar chamber equipped with automatic dose drawing unit (model µ-DDS-A).

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Figure 1. Andrzej Kulig (PhD), Director of University Hospital and Prof. Alicja Hubalewska-Dydejczyk (MD PhD), Head of Endocrinology Department during the opening ceremony

Figure 2. The PET/CT Discovery 690 VCT scanner installed in Nuclear Medicine Center

Figure 3. The TEMA Model NMC 50 dispenser