DIAGNOS Announces the Official Opening of the AI Assisted Screening Clinic at Magrabi Hospital with the Presence of the Undersecretary of the Ministry of Health of Saudi Arabia

written by Raj Shah | July 22, 2021 July 22, 2021 (<u>Source</u>) — Diagnos Inc. ("**DIAGNOS**" or the "**Company**") (TSX Venture: ADK) (OTCQB: DGNOF) (FRA: 4D4A), a leader in early detection of critical health issues, is pleased to announce the official opening of the initial clinics at the Magrabi Hospital.

Dr. Ibrahim Al-Omar, Undersecretary of the Ministry of Health for Investment, inaugurated last Wednesday the early detection unit for diabetic retinopathy operated by DIAGNOS' AI (Artificial Intelligence) technology at Magrabi Eye, Ear and Dental Hospital in Riyadh, the first of its kind in the Kingdom. The inauguration was attended by the executive management of the Magrabi Group represented by Mr. Mutasim Alireza, Managing Director, Dr. Tariq Al-Hamad, Regional Operations Director, Senior Retinal Consultants, Yves-Stephane Couture, Vice President of DIAGNOS and members of the management of Kanhoor Company and Bayer Pharmaceuticals.

When asked, Dr. Walid bin Abdul Rahman Al-Turki, head of the retinal departments at Magrabi Group in Riyadh, stated that the

aim of this unit is to examine the largest possible number of diabetic patients who are at risk of developing retinal diseases associated with them, which unfortunately may end in a gradual complete loss of vision. It is known that the incidence of diabetes in the Kingdom is about 27% of the population, which indicates the extent of the potential risk. At the conclusion of the interview, Dr. Walid Al-Turki stated that the initiative is in its infancy, and the Magrabi Group will develop and circulate it in all branches upon completion of its review.

Magrabi Hospitals and Centers has thirty-four branches in the Middle East; Twenty-two of them are in the Kingdom in Riyadh, Jeddah, Makkah, Dammam, Khobar, Al-Ahsa, Jubail, Asir, Jazan, Madinah, and Qassim. Magrabi Hospitals and Centers Group was established in Jeddah in 1955 as the first hospital specialized in ophthalmology, and today it is the largest specialized medical network in the region.

The event was reported by the SABQ online newspaper (sabq.org) and the link is attached:

## https://mobile.sabq.org/gJxtfn

"We extend our best wishes to Magrabi hospitals. We would also like to thank everyone in attendance for their time and efforts in making this project a reality. The main beneficiaries will be many thousands of diabetic patients whose vision can now be protected through this collaboration," said **André Larente**, **President of DIAGNOS**.

## About DIAGNOS:

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Additional information is available at <a href="https://www.diagnos.com">www.diagnos.com</a> and <a href="https://www.sedar.com">www.sedar.com</a>

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