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Press Release

Imaging in Clinical Oncology, a book written by Greek physicians, has been released by an international publisher

New diagnosis, staging and treatment methods for patients with cancer

Nowadays, scientific progress in Oncology combined with technological advancements in Imaging have contributed towards more effective cancer treatments. Assisted by Imaging, prevention, early diagnosis, response to various treatments and monitoring are all areas which offer oncologists the opportunity to better guide patients with cancer. At the same time, through modern technology, Imaging plays a vital role in the actual assessment of treatment response, which, by extension, benefits patients and their treatment plans.

These are some of the issues raised in the book entitled *Imaging in Clinical Oncology*, which has been published by Springer. The book was written by Greek physicians, mainly from HYGEIA Hospital and the University of Athens, as well as university medical schools and major hospitals throughout the country.

The official presentation of the book was held at the N. Louros Conference Center, located within MITERA Hospital, on Tuesday December 10, 2013. Editors **Athanasios Gouliamos**, Professor of Radiology at the University of Athens; **Ioannis Andreou**, Radiologist and Director of the HYGEIA & MITERA Imaging Departments; and **Paris Kosmidis**, Internist-Oncologist and Director of HYGEIA Hospital's 2nd Internal Medicine-Oncology Clinic, discussed the benefits of daily communication between imaging specialists and oncologists, and the positive results this may have for patients. They also focused on the need for detailed staging of tumors, which is performed using modern high-definition MRI and PET-CT scanning techniques. As they noted, detailed staging contributes in detecting the extent of a lesion more accurately, leading to more effective treatment.

Dr Dimitrios Trichopoulos, Academic and Harvard University Professor, and Dr Nikolaos Gourtzogiannis, Professor Emeritus of Radiology at the University of Crete Medical School, also attended the presentation and delivered speeches.

Imaging in Oncology was written in English and is already available throughout the world.