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INSTITUTE

25,743
Fellowships

130
Countries

3,486
Observerships

2,433
Faculty

792
Seminars & OMInars

Launch
1993
Countries in Transition

Founding Partners
American Austrian Foundation
Open Society Foundations
Weill Cornell Medicine

Mission
Preventing Brain Drain
Promoting Brain Gain

Location
Salzburg | Austria

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OMI | MISSION

IMPROVE	Healthcare in Countries in Transition
PROMOTE	Brain Gain and Prevent Brain Drain
PROVIDE	State-of-the-Art Postgraduate Medical Education and Training
EMPOWER	Healthcare Professionals
REBUILD	The Healthcare Pyramid

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Problem

- Fall of the Iron Curtain
- Healthcare systems in Central and Eastern Europe and the newly independent states nearly collapse after breakdown of the Soviet Union
- Nepotism and top-down hierarchy with few opportunities for young doctors to advance
- Large exodus of Eastern European doctors to Western Europe and the USA
- Similar conditions exist today in many other countries in transition

QUESTIONABLE DEVELOPMENTAL AID

Existing Developmental Programs

- Long-term Fellowships
- Single Opportunities
- Research Focus
- High-level Training

Brain Drain

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- Short-term Fellowships
- Multiple Opportunities
- Clinical Focus
- High-level Mentoring

Brain Gain

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OMI | A POSSIBLE SOLUTION

Solution

- High-level, highly-specialized medical educational programs for mid-career level, English speaking physicians
- Instead of long-term fellowships, only short-term programs with multiple opportunities and long-term mentoring
- Several leading American and European medical institutions provide ongoing support – Physicians donate their time and expertise
- Austrian Government, OSF, other NGOs, and the international medical community agree to fund and host the program

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FOUNDATIONS

OMI | EDUCATIONAL APPROACH

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OMI SEMINARS | KNOWLEDGE TRANSFER

- One-week, intensive courses in all areas of medicine
- Fellows
  - 30-40 highly qualified, English-speaking, mid-career level physicians from countries in transition (by invitation only)
  - Competitive selection based on merit
  - Fellowships cover travel, tuition, a set of teaching materials, and full board
- Faculty
  - World-renowned physicians from leading American and European institutions
  - Donate their time and expertise
- Certified courses (DFP, CME)

Outline
State-of-the-Art Lectures
Case Presentations
Workshops
Hands-on Training
Pre and Post-Tests

Teaching
Anglo-Saxon Didactics
Interactive Format
Open Dialogue
Empowering

Schloss Arenberg
Under-one-Roof Concept
Social Program
Networking Opportunities
Lasting Collegial Relationships

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OMI | ACADEMIC PARTNERS

Weill Cornell Medicine

Children's Hospital of Philadelphia

NewYork-Presbyterian

HSS

Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Center

Cleveland Clinic

DukeHealth

Columbia University in the City of New York

International Atherosclerosis Society

National Lipid Association

European School of Urology

Medical University of Vienna

SALK

World Health Organization

Institut Pasteur

Maastricht University

Medical University of Graz

Medizinische Universität Innsbruck

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OMI SEMINARS | TOPICS

- Anesthesiology and Intensive Care
- Bone and Joint Surgery
- Cardiology
- Cardiothoracic Surgery
- Dermatology
- Diabetes
- Diagnostic Imaging
- End-of-Life Nursing
- Family Medicine
- General Surgery
- Infectious Diseases
- Internal Medicine
- Lipid Metabolism and Atherosclerosis
- Maternal and Infant Health
- Neurology
- Neurosurgery (Brain)
- Neurosurgery (Spine)
- Obstetrics and Gynecology
- Ophthalmology
- Otolaryngology
- Otology and Temporal Bone Surgery
- Palliative Care
- Pathology
- Psychiatry
- Pulmonology
- Rehabilitation Medicine
- Trauma and Emergency Surgery
- Urology
- Oncology
- Pediatrics
- Medical Education
- Medical Leadership
- Medical Quality and Patient Safety
- Applied Clinical Research Medical Informatics
- Academic Writing and Systematic Reviews
- Public Health and Public Health Law
- Global Health

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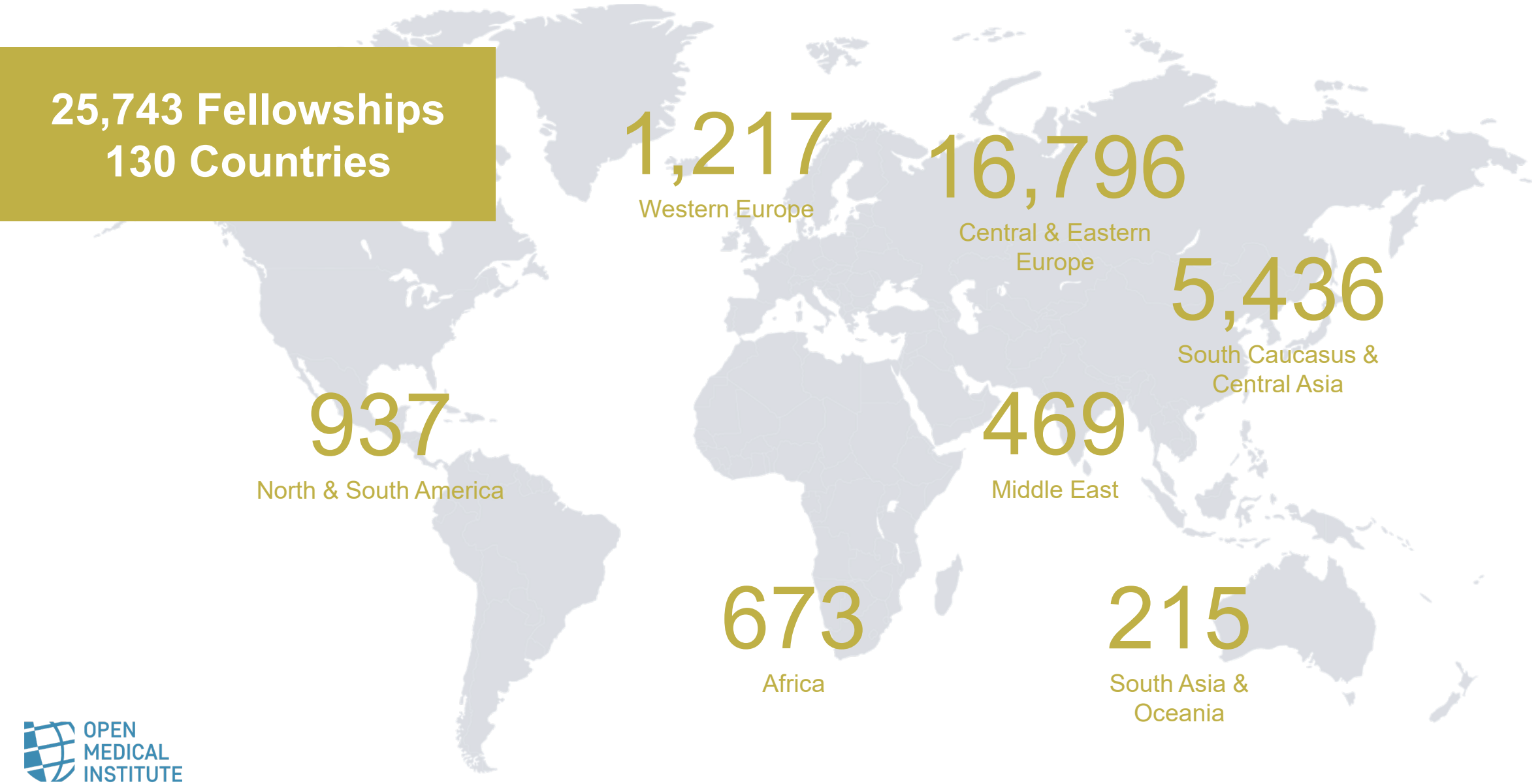
OMI | GLOBAL PENETRATION (1993-2022)



25,743 Fellowships
130 Countries

1,217
Western Europe

16,796
Central & Eastern Europe

5,436
South Caucasus & Central Asia

937
North & South America

469
Middle East

673
Africa

215
South Asia & Oceania

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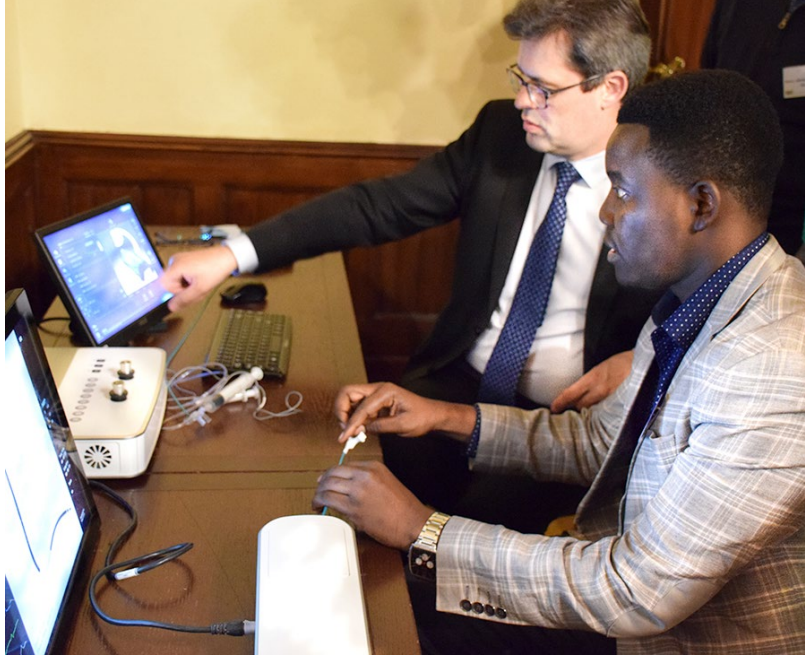

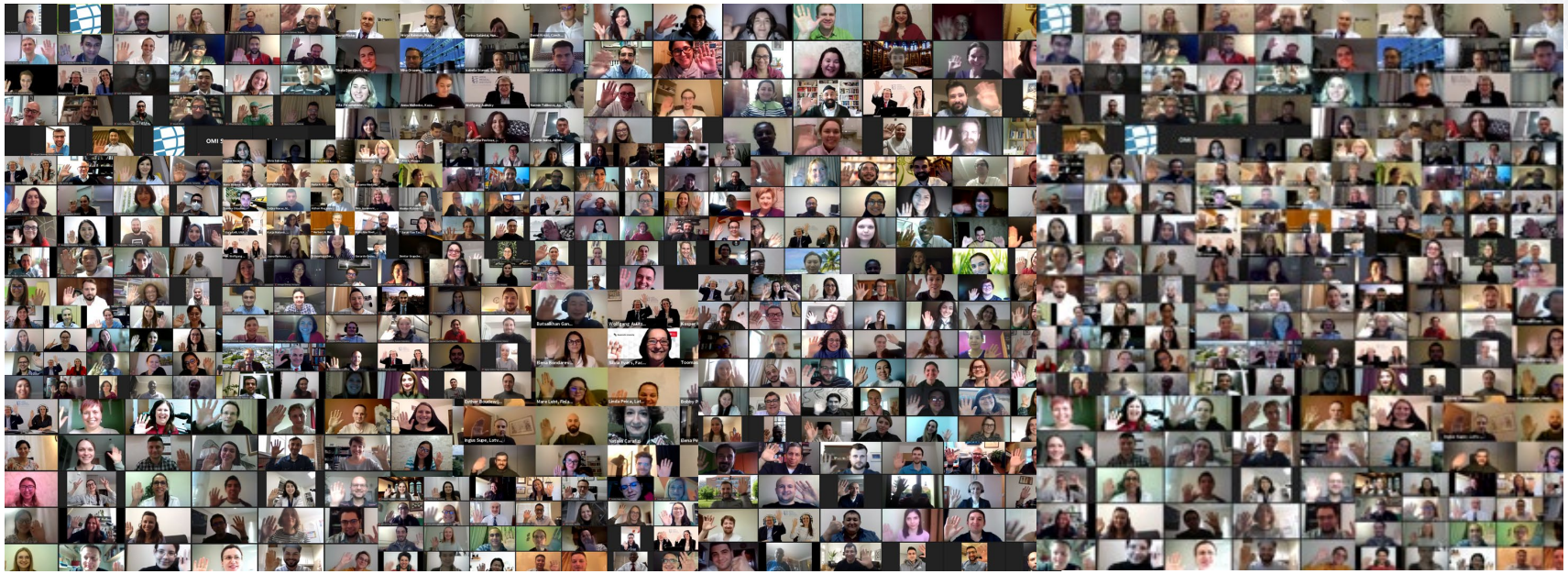

OMINARS 2020 | 2021

OMInars
32

Fellowships
1,046

Countries
68

Faculty
231

OMI MEX | AMSA

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Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Center

Columbia University in the City of New York

NewYork-Presbyterian

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OMI OBSERVERSHIPS | EXPERIENCE EXCHANGE

- One to three-month observerships in Austrian hospitals or research institutions
  - Clinical skills
  - New techniques and treatment protocols
  - Modern hospital management
  - Personal relationships with Austrian OMI faculty members
  - Opportunities for scientific and educational collaborations

  - Research projects
  - Essential research tools
- Observers
  - Qualified OMI seminar alumni
  - Observerships cover travel, accommodation, and pocket money

CLINICAL OBSERVERSHIPS

RESEARCH OBSERVERSHIPS

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OMI | OBSERVERSHIPS

Central & Eastern Europe	**2,315**	Albania, Belarus, Bosnia Herzegovina, Bulgaria, Croatia, Czech Republic, Estonia, Hungary, Kosovo, Latvia, Lithuania, Moldova, Montenegro, North Macedonia, Poland, Romania, Russia, Serbia, Slovakia, Slovenia, Ukraine
South Caucasus & Central Asia	**1,071**	Armenia, Azerbaijan, Georgia, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Mongolia, Tajikistan, Uzbekistan
Africa	**42**	Cameroon, Congo, Ethiopia, Nigeria, Tanzania, Uganda
Western Europe	**40**	Austria, Belgium, Denmark, Finland, Germany, Luxembourg, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, United Kingdom
North & South America	**10**	Canada, Mexico, United States of America
Southeast Asia & Oceania	**4**	Afghanistan, Nepal, Papua New Guinea
Middle East	**4**	Iraq, Qatar

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53 Countries

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OMI SATELLITE SYMPOSIA | CAPACITY BUILDING

SATELLITE SYMPOSIA

- Two-day medical conferences in the OMI fellows' home countries
- OMI alumni host OMI faculty
- Four to six didactic lectures, case presentations, hospital visits, round table discussions
- Reach a larger audience of local physicians and healthcare professionals
- OMI covers travel and accommodation for up to two international faculty members

VISITING PROFESSORSHIPS

- One-day medical meetings in the OMI fellows' home countries
- Same concept, but shorter in length

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OMI | SATELLITE SYMPOSIA

Central & Eastern Europe	171	Albania, Belarus, Bulgaria, Croatia, Czech Republic, Estonia, Hungary, Kosovo, Latvia, Lithuania, Macedonia, Moldova, Montenegro, Poland, Romania, Russia, Serbia, Slovakia, Slovenia, Ukraine
South Caucasus & Central Asia	69	Armenia, Azerbaijan, Georgia, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Mongolia, Uzbekistan
Western Europe & The Americas	31	Austria, Mexico
Middle East	3	Qatar
Africa	2	Tanzania

276 Satellite Symposia
31 Countries

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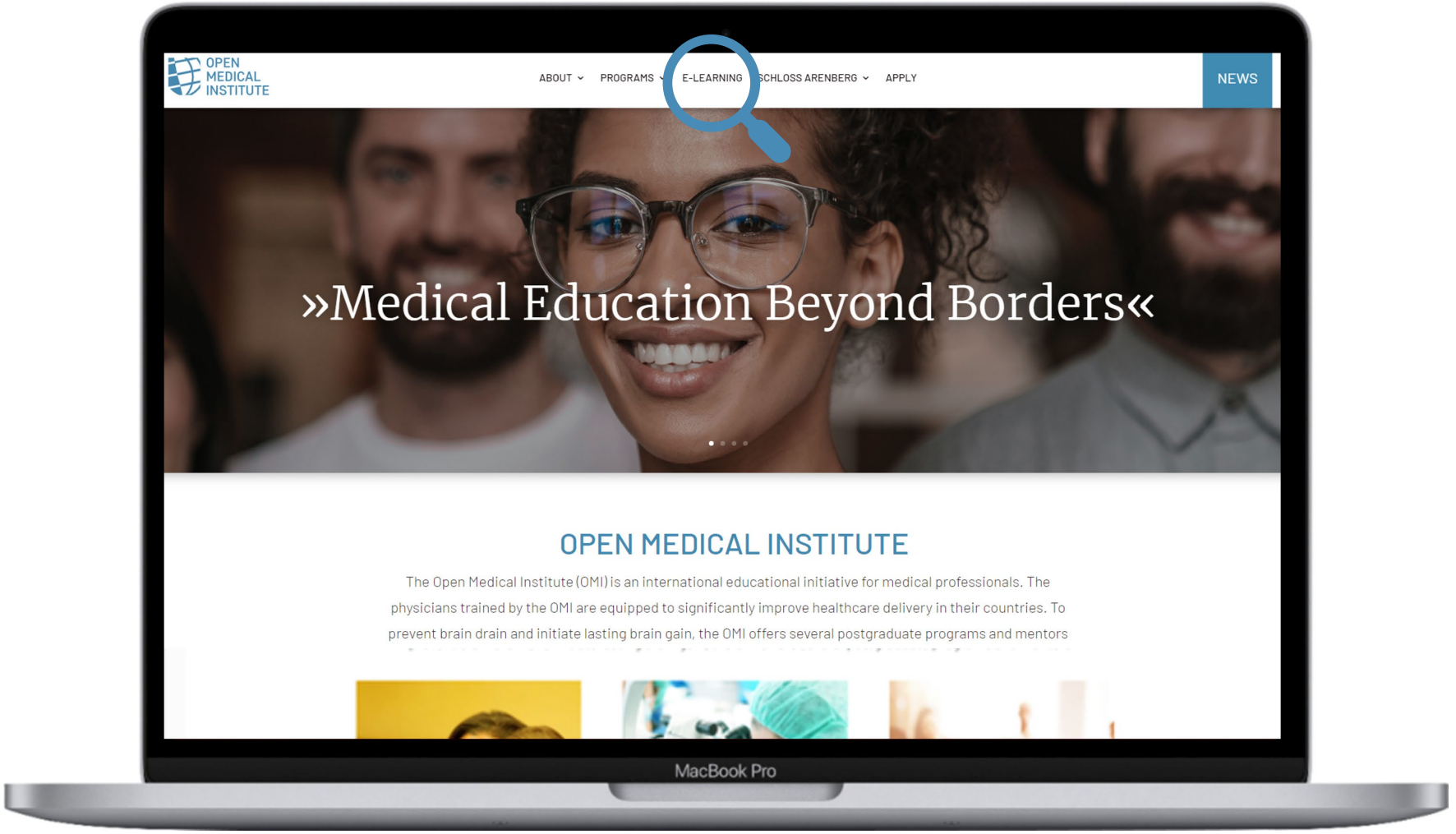

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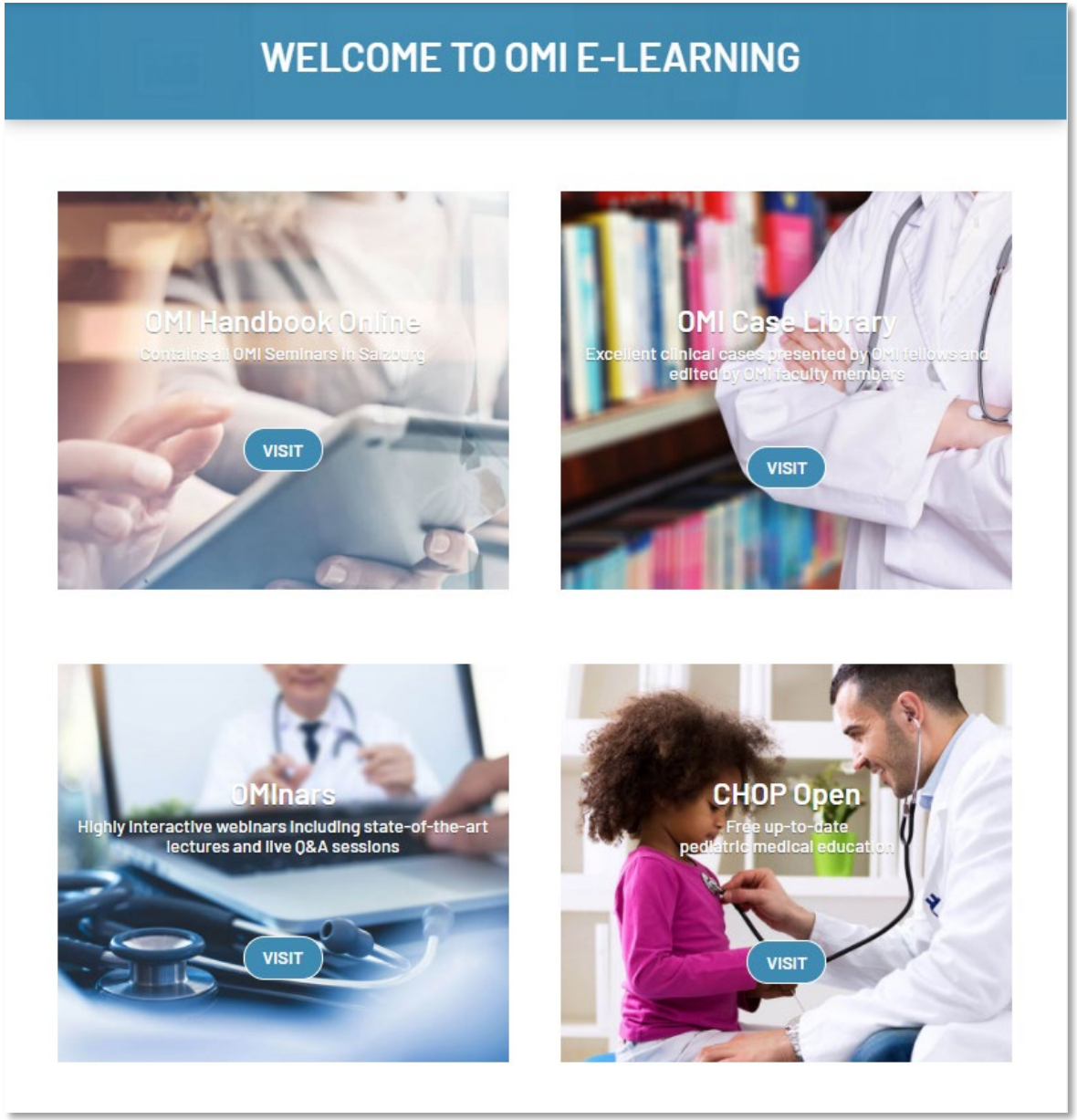

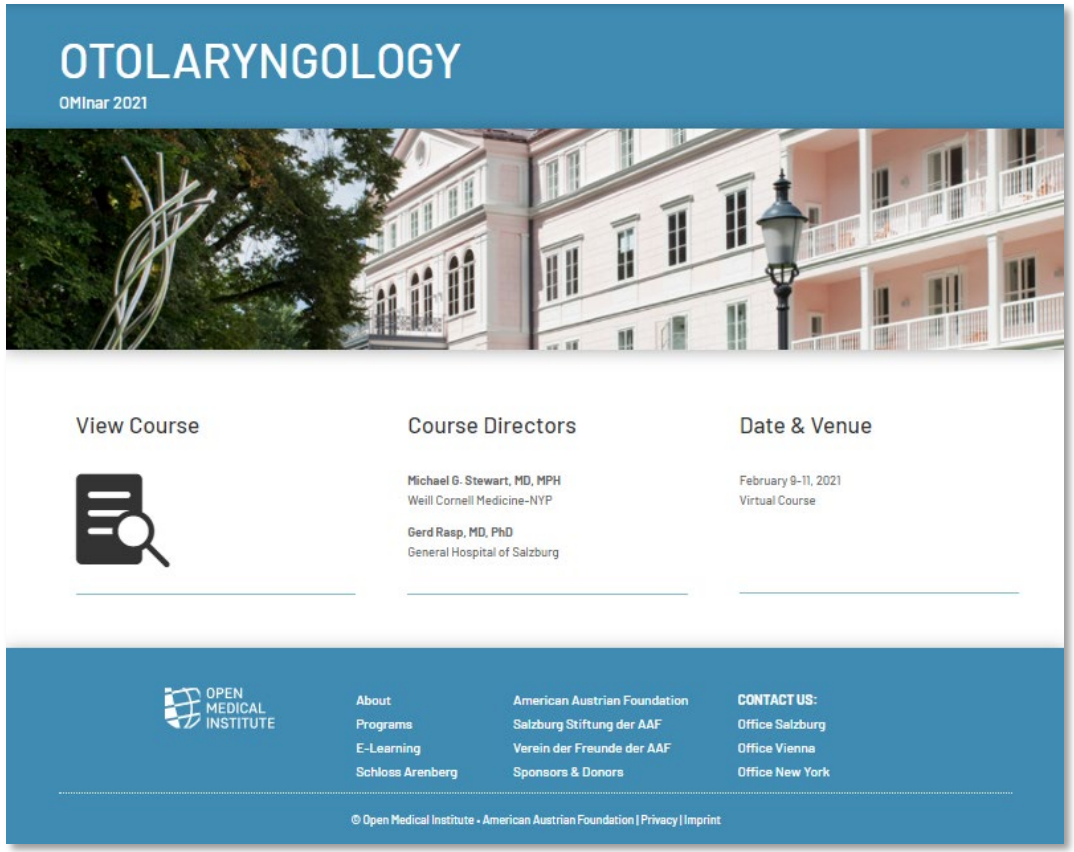

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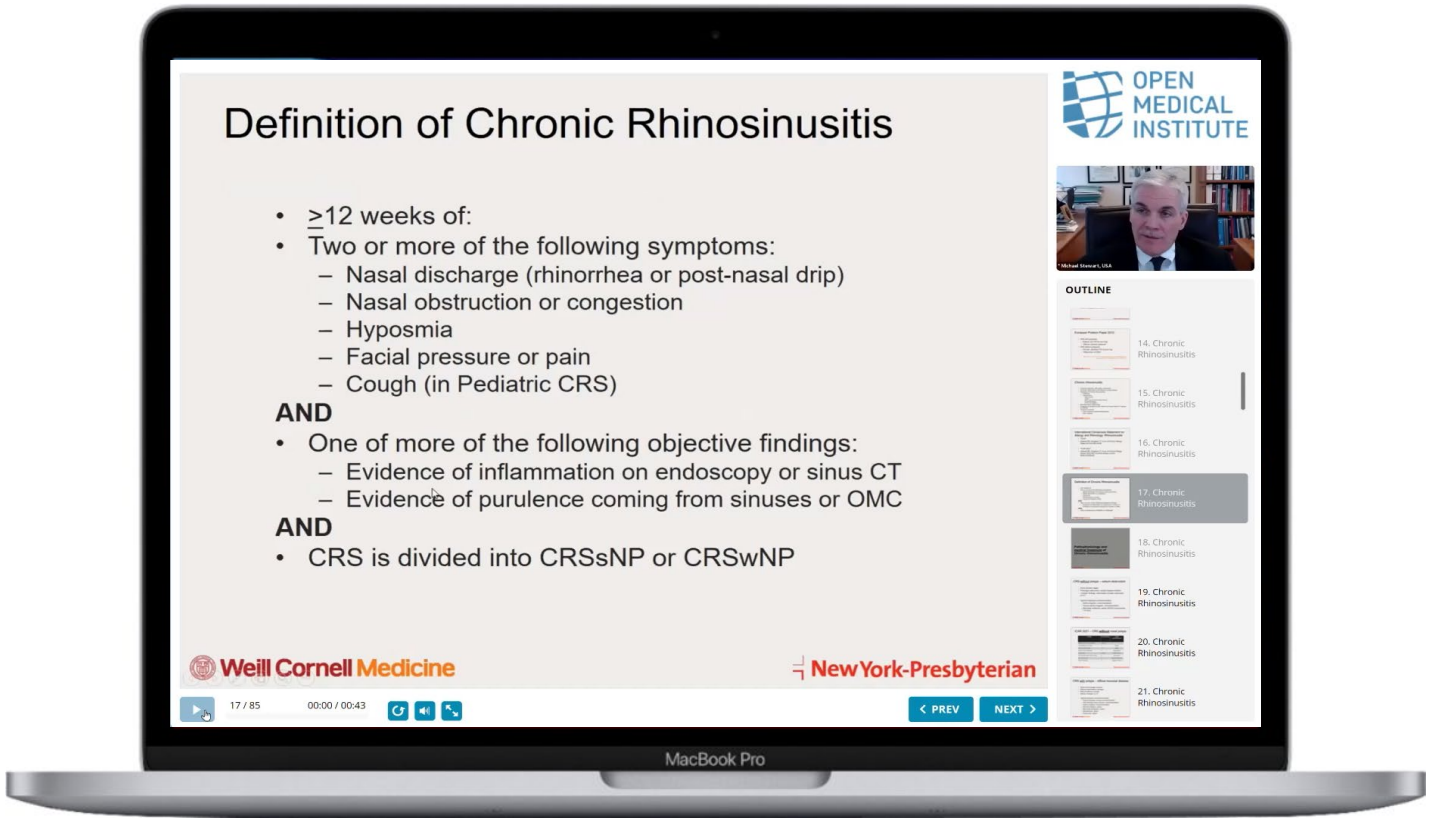

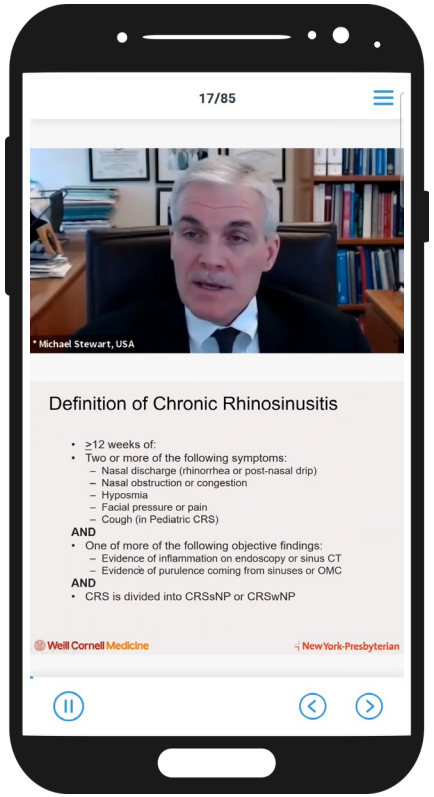

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OMI | AT A GLANCE

We believe in …

- Short-term educational programs
- Multiple opportunities to participate
- Programs tailored to the needs of the participants
- Ongoing contact and communication after return
- Peer to peer mentoring

Knowledge Transfer

Experience Exchange

Capacity Building

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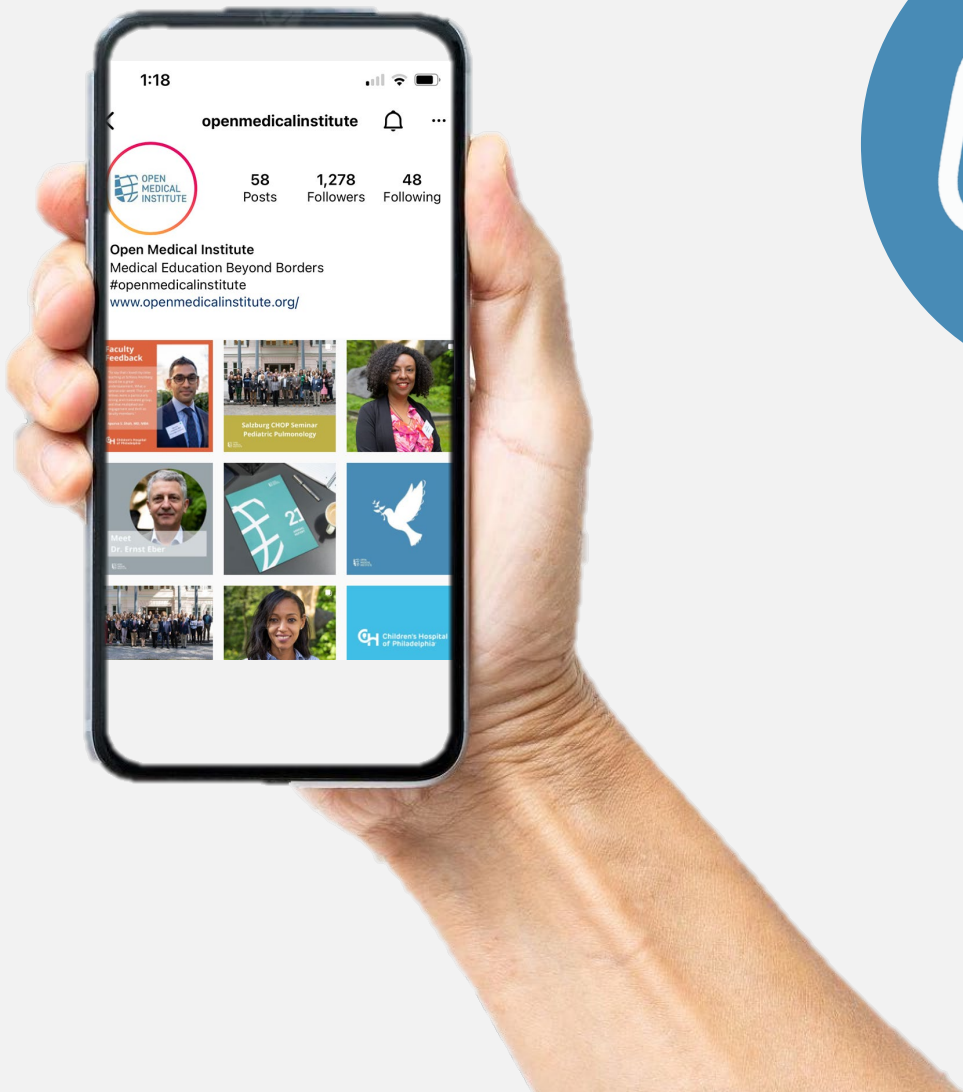
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