School of Medicine expands academic and research links with leading Russian Universities.

Last year Yuri Volkov, Professor of Molecular and Translational Medicine facilitated the establishing of academic and research collaborations with two leading Universities of Russian Federation. He visited the Kazan State Medical University (KSMU) in the capital of the Republic of Tatarstan, and on behalf of the Trinity College Dublin presented the Memorandum of Understanding between KSMU and TCD signed by Prof. Juliette Hussey, Vice President for Global Relations to the Rector of KSMU Aleksei Sozinov. Prof. Volkov has met with the leading academics and researchers of KSMU, discussed the opportunities for research collaborations in the area of Environmental Health and Safety of Engineered Nanomaterials and Nanomedicine and organised a specialised educational module “Nanomedicine and the basis of nano-safety” for KSMU students within the proposed Framework Cooperation Agreement between the Universities.

Photo: Discussion of collaborative opportunities between Prof. Yuri Volkov and KSMU Rector Aleksei Sozinov and handing in of the bilateral Memorandum of Understanding.
Prof. Volkov has also established a strategic collaborative research programme with Prof. Anna Orlova, Head of International Laboratory of Magnetically Controlled Nanosystems for Theranostics of Oncological and Cardiovascular Diseases at ITMO, one of the most prestigious Russian technical Universities (St. Petersburg, Russian Federation). Later in the year, Prof. Volkov was a co-organiser and Plenary Speaker of the 1st international School-Conference for young researchers “Smart nanosystems for translational medicine” held in ITMO University which attracted many talented scientists at the early stage of their careers both from Russia and abroad. The Conference provided an excellent platform for the scientific discussions as well as for sharing and promoting of TCD research expertise in the related fields. Adriele Prina-Mello, Ussher Professor of Translational Nanomedicine (School of Medicine and TTMI) also gave an invited Keynote presentation at the Conference.