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Bayer opens first innovation center in China

German pharmaceutical giant Bayer has opened its first innovation center in Beijing. The center will incubate local biopharma companies and support the globalization of China-developed drugs. Bayer's senior executive cited China's strong innovation ecosystem and government policies as key reasons for the investment. The center represents Bayer's commitment to China as an emerging key force in the pharmaceutical industry. **(Xinhua)**

Study finds young-onset dementia outpacing late-onset dementia in China

A new study reveals that the growth rate of young-onset dementia in China is now significantly outpacing that of late-onset dementia. Key risk factors identified include tobacco use for men, and high blood sugar and high BMI for women. Experts warn this is a critical public health alert, urging dementia prevention to start by age 40. The findings call for earlier, sex-specific interventions and healthier lifestyles to address the rising burden. **(China Daily)**

'Group-style' aid program transforming healthcare in Xizang

A "group-style" medical aid program has transformed healthcare in Xizang, sending over 2,400 specialist doctors since 2015. The initiative focuses on capacity building and training local medical talent through mentorship programs. As a result, 6 city hospitals have achieved top-tier status, and maternal and infant mortality rates have significantly improved. **(China Daily)**

New center in Shanghai targets medical tourism

A new international ambulatory care center has opened in Shanghai as part of the city's push to develop medical tourism. The facility, representing a 100 million yuan (12.2 million euro) investment by IHH Healthcare, offers advanced outpatient services and supports direct billing with over 60 international insurers. This development aligns with Shanghai's policy to attract foreign-owned medical institutions and enhance its healthcare ecosystem. **(China Daily)**

Flying hospital now ready for eye and ENT surgeries

A "flying hospital" in China, a collaboration between an eye and ENT hospital and a state-owned plane maker, has been upgraded with a Class 1 clean operating room. This domestically manufactured aircraft can now perform in-flight ophthalmology and ENT surgeries, setting a global precedent. The initiative aims to deliver precision medical services to remote areas, integrating a mobile clinic with 5G remote consultation. **(China Daily)**