REPORT

Charitable Organization
«Charitable Foundation «SUPERHUMANS»

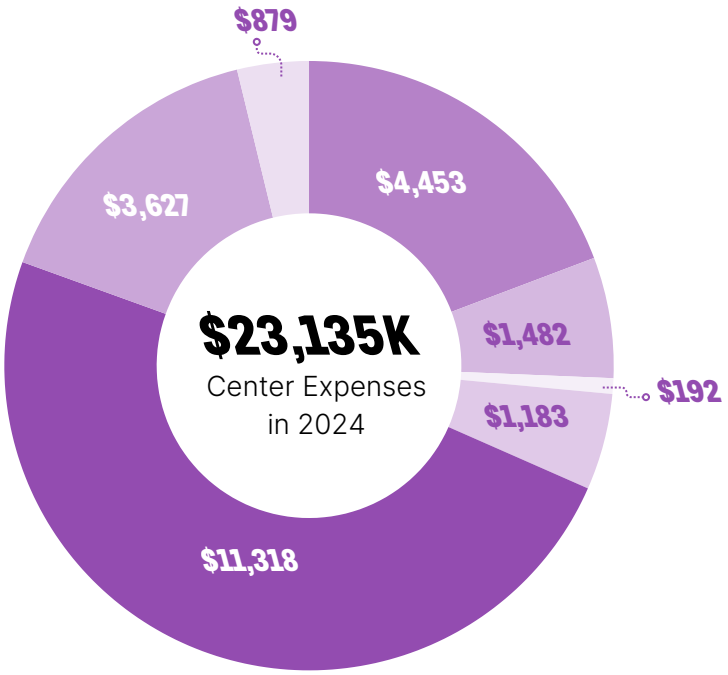
2024

Key figures for 2024

$ 38.8 mln total charitable contributions received by the Superhumans Center in 2024

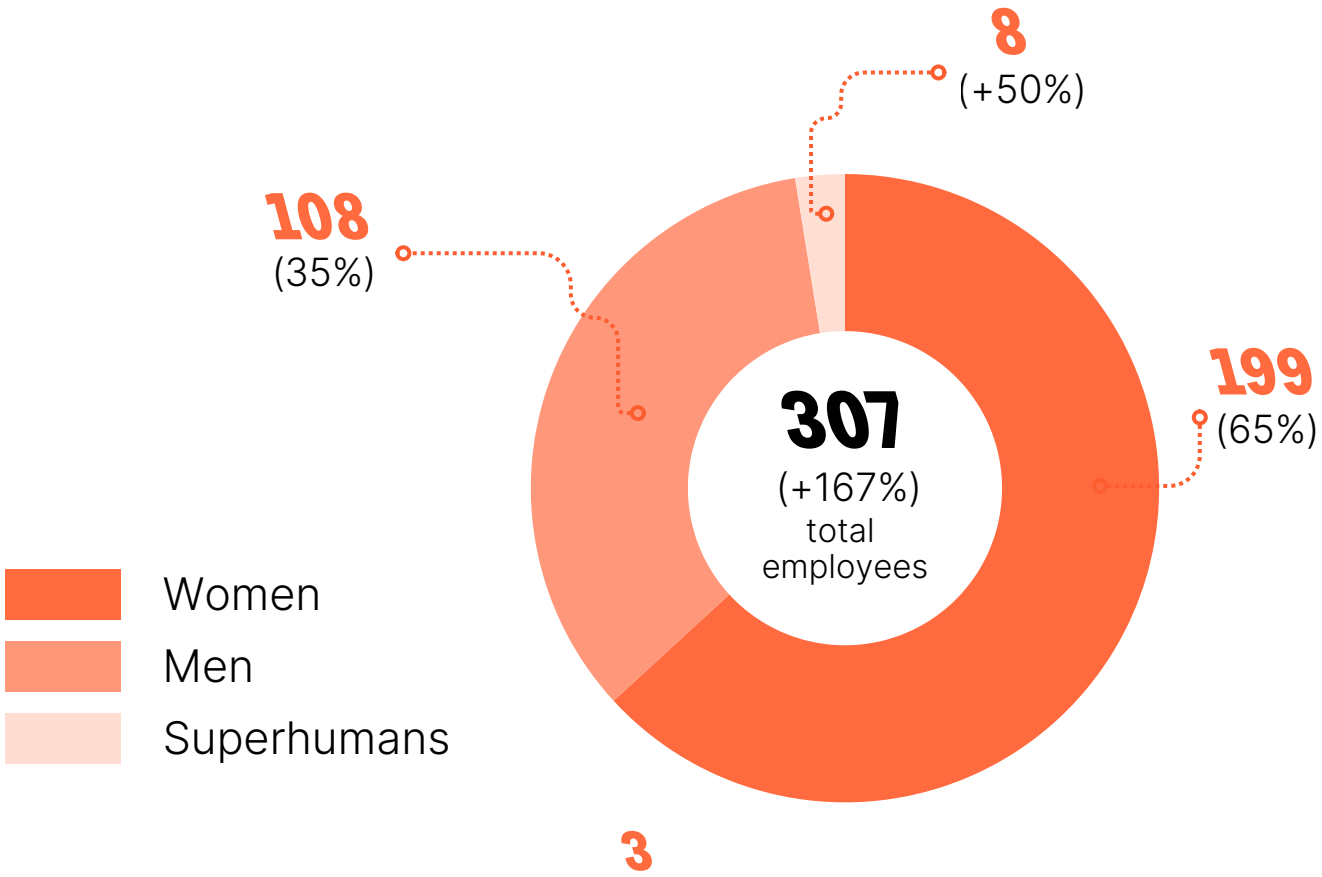
The largest donor countries for the Superhumans in 2024:

- USA
- Ukraine
- Netherlands
- France
- Slovenia



- Prosthetic Expenses
- Payroll
- Construction
- Administrative Expenses
- Surgical Expenses
- Other Expenses
- Rehabilitation

The Superhumans team doubled in size in 2024!



Working with partners

390 medical professionals from public hospitals and medical universities trained with the Superhumans;

1,000+ representatives of the government, business and non-governmental organizations received training on accessibility and trauma-informed approach from the Superhumans;

265 patients, 150 members of their families and children, as well as 340 partners, journalists and friends of the Superhumans participated in the First Superhumans Reunion.

Working with veterans

457
career consultations provided to superhumans and veterans

512
consultations of social workers conducted

154
superhumans received additional professional courses from our partners

34
partnerships with employers and educational platforms initiated

13
full-fledged educational programs conducted at the Superhumans Center for superhumans

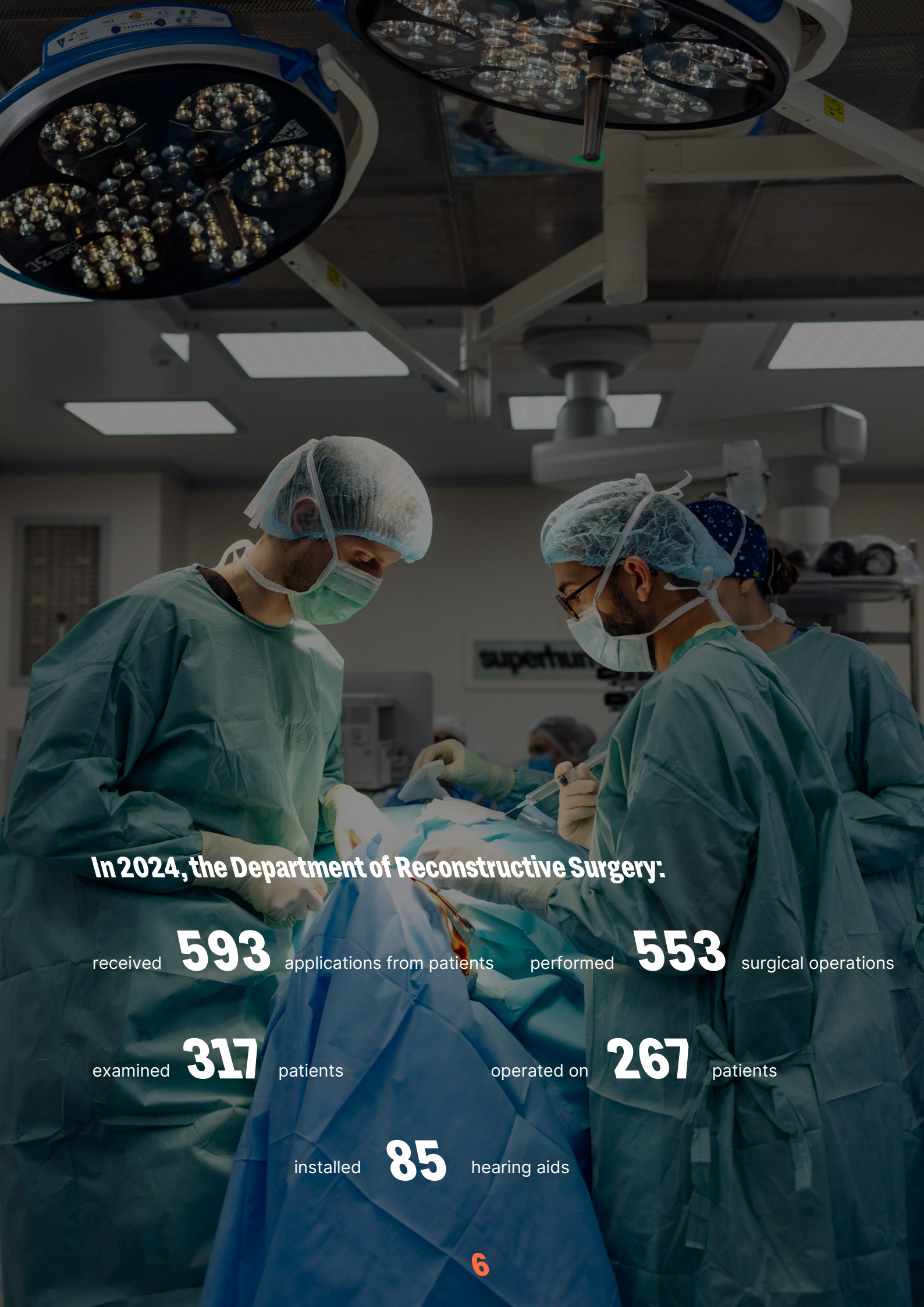
In 2024, the Prosthetics and Rehabilitation Department:

received **3,448** applications from patients

produced **1,104** prostheses

78 patients underwent various stages of rehabilitation at the center daily

810 patients have already received prostheses made at the Superhumans Center, completed a full rehabilitation course and returned to their usual lives



In 2024, the Department of Reconstructive Surgery:

received **593** applications from patients

performed **553** surgical operations

examined **317** patients

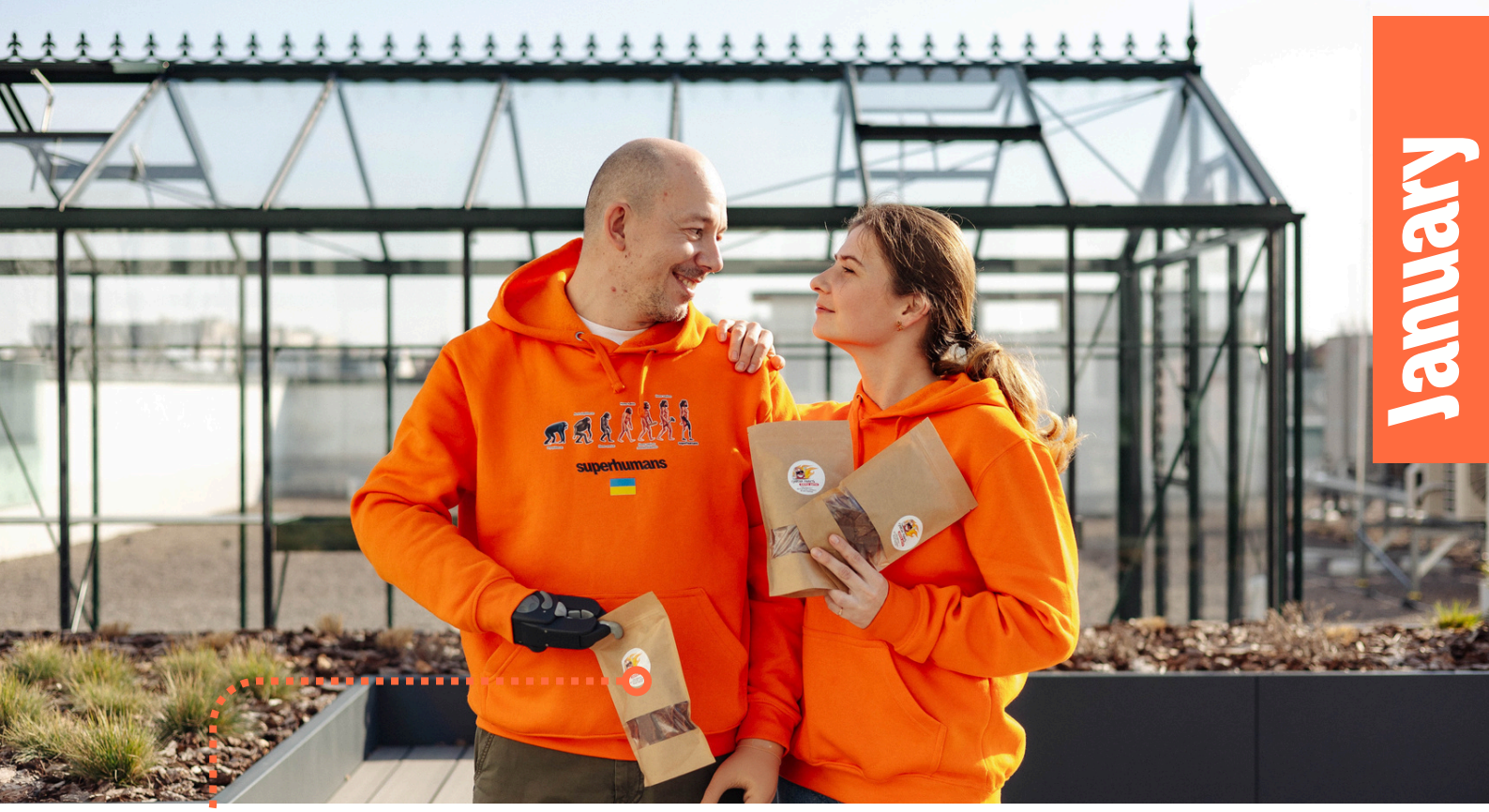
operated on **267** patients

installed **85** hearing aids

A year in a key events

Reintegration: veterans returning to the workforce

Ringing in the year with good news is what the Superhumans Center's all about! Two of our superhumans have returned to their usual professional lives since the beginning of 2024.



January

Veteran **Oleksii Prytula**, who was gravely injured in September 2022 and lost both legs, can work as a veterinarian again! Oleksii received prostheses and underwent rehabilitation at the Superhumans Center, while his employer arranged a workstation, suited to his needs. Therefore, throughout the year this superhuman had the ability to provide assistance to our four-legged friends.

Civilian superhuman, **Volodymyr Britikov**, after losing his right hand, works as a chef in a professional kitchen in one of the Lviv dining establishments.

Another of our graduates has opened his own business! **Serhii Zhukovskyi** created a family production of meat snacks "Sushena Radist'".

Over the course of a year, the Superhumans career consultants conducted several hundreds of one-on-one sessions with superhumans to help them transition into different social roles and return to their professional lives as quickly as possible after the traumatic war experiences.

Opening of the Reconstructive Surgery Department at the Superhumans Lviv

An important and moving moment for the Superhumans family took place in the late February. We launched the second major direction: reconstructive surgery of the face and limbs.

In less than a year, our surgeons performed more than HALF A THOUSAND surgical operations of varying complexity on the face and limbs, while applying modern protocols and technologies.

Our philosophy is a comprehensive approach. That is, focus is not on conducting individual surgeries, but rather providing all stages of medical and rehabilitation services, including prosthetics of lost parts of the face, dental rehabilitation, and hearing restoration in order to return both lost function and aesthetics to the patients.

In 9 months, the Superhumans surgeons performed 553 surgical operations, including:

220+

complex reconstructive surgeries on the face. In particular, 16 ultra-complex plastic surgeries using flaps (parts of the skin with nerve endings) and microsurgical techniques.

The duration of such surgeries is **7 to 12 hours!**

210+

reconstructive surgeries on the limbs, including 14 microsurgeries.
Approximately 10 surgeries to install eye implants.

120+

surgical interventions and restorations in the dental office of patients undergoing treatment and rehabilitation at the Superhumans Center.

While you are reading this text, our surgeons are performing two more surgeries simultaneously in the operating rooms of the Center!

March

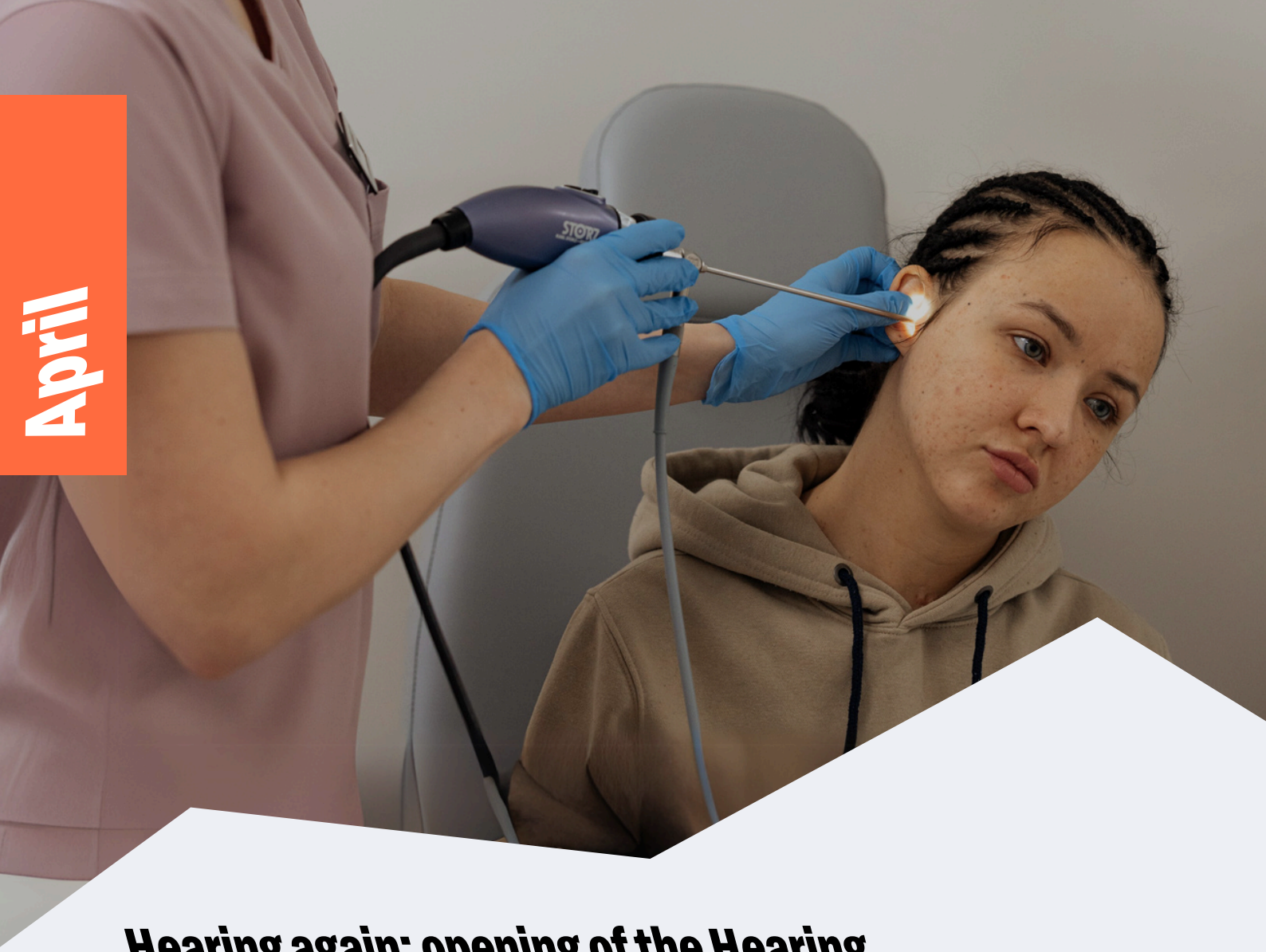
International visits to the Superhumans

The beginning of spring was marked by a large number of important meetings with foreign partners. With the support of our partners ITF Enhancing Human Security, who help us with prosthetics and rehabilitation of our superhumans, the President of Slovenia, Nataša Pirc Musar, visited the Superhumans Lviv. In addition to the traditional tour of the center, the President had meetings with the superhumans, including the patients of the surgery department.

Our team, together with the Minister of Health Viktor Liashko, met with the Chief Representative of JICA Ukraine Mission, Mr. Hideki Matsunaga. We discussed the possibilities of JICA support in scaling up prosthetics and rehabilitation services.

We continued a series of important meetings with the Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the Kingdom of Denmark in Ukraine Ole Egberg Mikkelsen, and also welcomed the Ambassador of Canada to Ukraine, Ms. Natalka Cmoc.

A delegation from the US Embassy in Ukraine, namely the Head of Mission Robert S. Nihdem and Sarah Nickel, also visited Superhumans Lviv.



Hearing again: opening of the Hearing Restoration Department

Another important event took place in the first days of April: we opened the Hearing Restoration Department, with the participation of the founder and director of the NGO Vidchui, Andrii Pyshnyi and Daria Gerasymchuk. Together with the specialists of the NGO Vidchui, our doctors at the Center are working to return yet another human ability, lost to the war.

In just **9 months** of operation of the Department within Superhumans:

850+

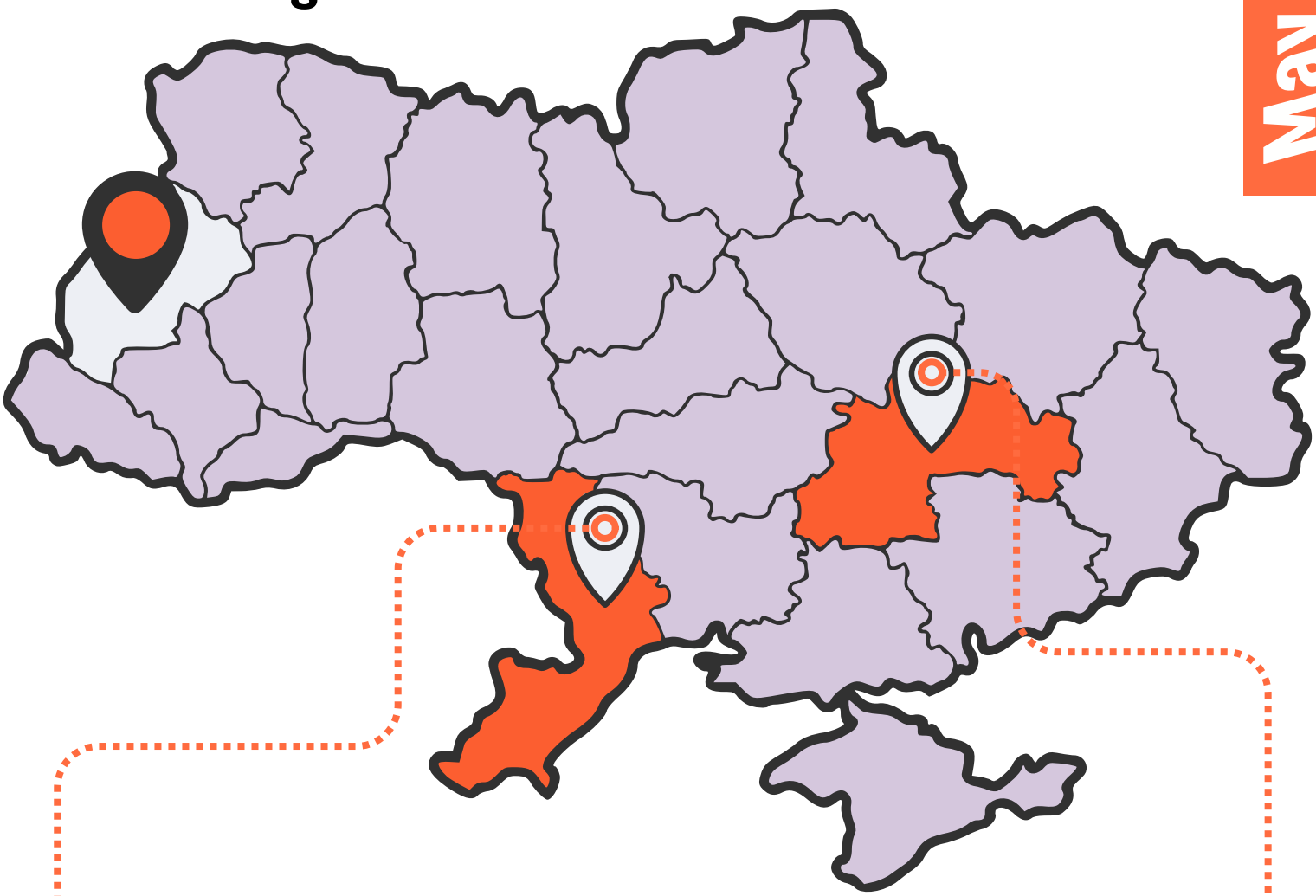
patients with hearing impairments have been examined, almost 100 of them had hearing aids installed. All those who were found to have acoustic trauma are working with a deaf-pedagogue and a speech therapist.

50+

tympanoplasty operations (eardrum restoration and auditory reconstruction) were performed by the Center's surgeons.

We thank PrivatBank for making any advancement in this direction at all possible. In addition to charitable contributions for prosthetics and reconstructive surgery at the Superhumans, PrivatBank allocated additional 5 million hryvnias to create the Hearing Restoration Department.

The Superhumans come to the regions!



In May, with the assistance of the First Lady of Ukraine Olena Zelenska and the participation of the Minister of Health of Ukraine Viktor Liashko, the Superhumans Center signed an agreement with Expertise France, a French agency for international cooperation. With the assistance of partners, **Superhumans Odesa** will appear in 2025!

And in the summer of 2025, **Superhumans Dnipro**, which we are currently building with the support of the Dutch government*, will start its operation. At least 50 patients per month will receive high-quality prosthetics, maintenance and replacement of prostheses or components thereof, psychological support, rehabilitation and assistance in reintegration and living fully after an injury.

In addition to creating new Centers in Dnipro and Odesa, this year our team began work on the **Superhumans franchise**. After all, by increasing the number of centers, we ensure that significantly more Ukrainians will be able to regain their lost abilities at the same time.

*The "Netherlands For Superhumans" project is funded by the Ukraine Partnership Facility (UPF) program, implemented by the Netherlands Enterprise Agency (Rijksdienst voor Ondernemend Nederland, RVO) on behalf of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Netherlands. The project is implemented in partnership with the "Netherlands for Ukraine Foundation" and "Healthcare4Ukraine".

Reunion: the first meeting of our graduates

270+ superhumans with families

video

All these men and women, veterans and civilians, adults and children, were injured as a result of the Russian invasion of Ukraine. And we managed to bring them all together in one day: the very people for whom the Superhumans Center was created!

Together with the superhumans, this family gathering was also joined by the member of the Supervisory Board of the Superhumans, the First Lady of Ukraine Olena Zelenska, and a great friend of Ukraine, the largest donor of the Superhumans, Howard Buffett.

Throughout the day, superhumans, friends, partners, donors, and the team participated in dozens of activities: excursions, sports competitions, entertainment for children, useful tips, consultations and opportunities on the partners' alley, panel discussions with the involvement of top speakers in various areas of the lives of veterans: anything you could think of was available at the First Reunion of the Superhumans! And a cherry on top: performances by Ukrainian stars, the bands TVORCHI and YARMAK.

This event was made possible by our partnership with the International Medical Corps (IMC). Thank you for your support!

Sporting Achievements

Sports every day: that's almost the new motto of the Superhumans! This year, the superhumans had so many sporting achievements that it is difficult to remember and list them all! Picture this: **over 200 tournaments** around the world, from the USA to Greece, from which our heroes brought **over 300 awards!**

In addition, **seven of our superhumans** were selected for the Ukrainian national team at the Invictus Games from over 329 military and veterans from different parts of Ukraine! The selection was carried out in accordance with the criteria of the The Invictus Games Foundation. Each participant was personally determined by the selection committee. Our first contact specialist Herman Zolotariov was an assistant coach at these competitions, supporting, inspiring and motivating the participants. And the team will be led by superhuman Oleksii Tiunin!

In July, in cooperation with our strategic partners, the Ottobock company, we held a Running Clinic for our superhumans. For three days, under the supervision of Paralympian Heinrich Popow, our heroes tested all the activities that sports prostheses enable them to participate in.

video

Superhumans in the Ukrainian Book of Records

On the Independence Day of Ukraine, **7 Superhumans graduates** with prostheses went on a hike to congratulate all Ukrainians and once again prove to themselves and the whole world that amputation is not the end of the road, and a prosthesis is not a reason to give up on dreams!

7 superhumans **1585** m

Another Superhumans graduate, **Pavlo Romanovskyi**, with a high amputation at the hip level, conquered Mt. Hoverla! He became the first veteran with such a complex prosthesis to climb to a height of **2061 meters** above sea level!

The superhumans baton was then passed on to **Oleg Shakhov**. Together with the known Ukrainian climber Tetiana Yalovchak, Oleg reached the highest peak in Georgia, **Mount Kazbek!**

Meaningful partnerships

All throughout 2024 we managed to do incredible things thanks to and together with the best partners! Dozens of Ukrainian brands were actively involved in building the world of superhumans! In addition to constant fundraising campaigns and large donations for prosthetics, rehabilitation and reconstructive surgery at the Superhumans Center, brands help us work on a new social contract, normalizing public visibility of people with war injuries and spreading the ideas of inclusivity and accessibility.

In September, together with **FUIB, TsUM Kyiv Central Department Store** and **The Invictus Games,** we created a manifesto of “equality in difference”, a special installation that can still be seen in the lobby of the grand department store. The installation consists of mannequins with prosthetics, wheelchairs, as well as those without visible disabilities, and symbolizes the power of unity of people with different experiences and appearances. We believe that this is just the first step towards making the use of such mannequins not a political statement or manifesto, but a commonplace thing in the retail industry.

Together with **Intertop** and **Ukrainian designer brand Pustovit,** we created a clothing collection, the proceeds from which were transferred to acquire prosthetics for superhumans. Our graduates also became the faces of the collection.

In the **PrivatBank** and **Mastercard campaign “Faces of Humanity”**, as well as in collaborations with Kurazh market and Ukrainian photo artist **Dukhovne Lychko**, we first started a public dialogue about the problems that people with complex facial injuries have to deal with.

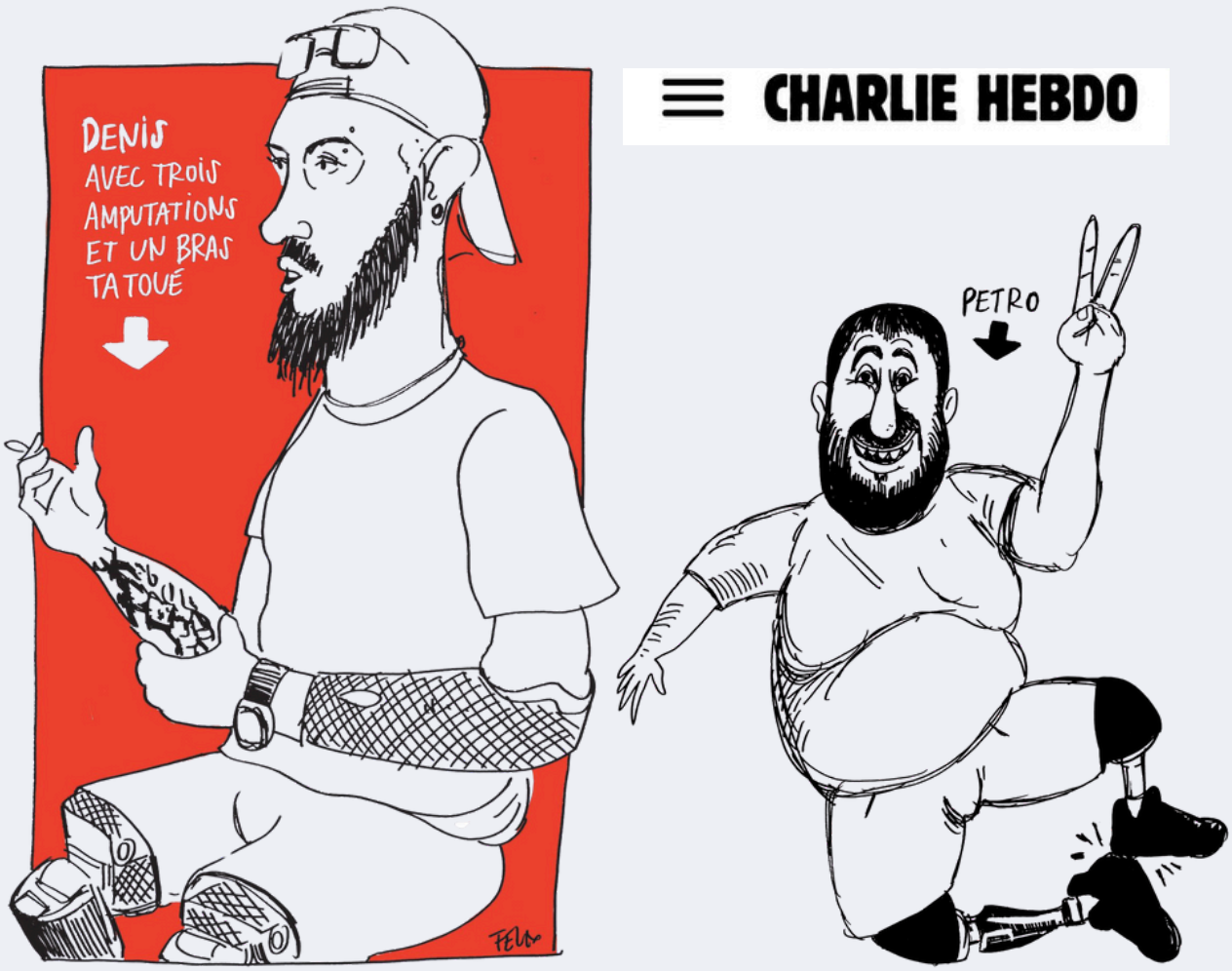
Meaningful partnerships

Thanks to a large-scale event in cooperation with **OschadBank, the Ukrainian Association of Football and Mastercard — "My match for heroes"**, more than a dozen superhumans with lower limb prostheses, together with Ukrainian stars, took to the football pitch. Their mission was to support tens of thousands of defenders who lost their limbs in the war, and to prove to them that amputation is not the final whistle at the end of the match! During the campaign, we managed to raise more than 8 million hryvnias for prosthetics.

Beauty can be different and we could prove it with the help of the **jewelry house SOVA and the soloist of the rock band The HARDKISS Yuliia Sanina**. To that end, they created incredible jewelry, with the central image of a swallow, as a symbol of free will, freedom from barriers and liberty, both in thoughts and actions. In addition to raising funds, this cooperation has become crucial for us in terms of reintegration of people with war injuries. Three superhumans danced in a ballet with Yuliia Sanina together with professional dancer, as part of this project.

These are just a few examples of memorable initiatives that we manage to implement thanks to the daily support of our partners.

Stories of superhumans on the pages of world media



Voicing stories of superhumans is one of the missions of the Superhumans Center. After all, the world should know about the savage crimes of Russia and the lives of Ukrainians, who, despite everything, find the strength to rise, plan, work and make their dreams come true.

This year, the stories of superhumans were told by **more than 100 media** outlets from around the world, including top media from the USA, Great Britain, France, Germany, Qatar, Japan, Australia, South Korea, as well as from countries of Latin American and Africa.

Photos of superhumans graced the front pages of The Washington Post and New York Times. Cute images of our graduates, sketched by French cartoonists, appeared on the pages of the legendary Charlie Hebdo weekly.

video

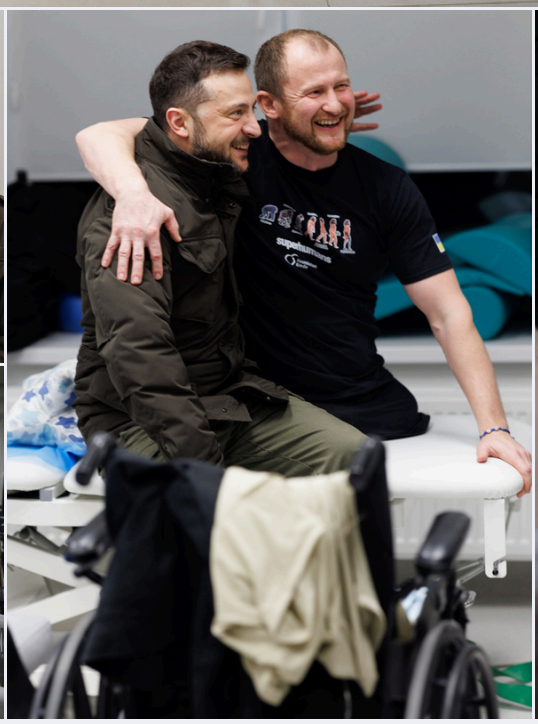
The documentary film by Ukrainian director Olga Zhurba **"Songs of Slow Burning Earth"**, that Superhumans became a part of, was presented at the Venice Film Festival. Our graduate with prosthetics, **Mykola Gradnov-Savytskyi**, walked the red carpet of the festival. And the film by the Al Jazeera team about the Superhumans patients won gold at the Anthem Awards film festival of socially important documentary projects. To date, the film has been viewed by an audience of almost 2 million people — it's a must watch!

1000th prosthesis for superhumans!

In November, we crossed an important milestone: our prosthetists produced the 1000th prosthesis!

Every day in our prosthetic laboratory we make casts of patients' stumps, mix plaster, make and process first plaster and then plastic models of stump receivers. Temporary and permanent sleeves are connected to other components of the future prosthesis. We love watching our prosthetists work, and we love watching the achievements of our superhumans, who use these prostheses, even more! After all, a thousand prostheses are several hundred people who lost limbs due to the war, but were able to regain their lost abilities!

In addition, an important November achievement for us was the start of targeted evacuation of military personnel, immediately after injury, to the Superhumans Center. As well as constant consultation with the Dnipro Regional Clinical Hospital named after I. Mechnikov and transferring extremely complex patients to Superhumans Lviv.



The best rehabilitation center of the year

The end of the year was generous to our team in terms of gratitude and recognition.

Readers of one of the most popular Ukrainian publications “Hromadske” recognized the Superhumans as the best rehabilitation center of the year. The founder of the Superhumans Center, Andriy Stavnitser, was included in the TOP-100 Ukrainians in the “Business” category, according to another popular media outlet “Ukrainska Pravda”. The co-founder and CEO of the center, Olga Rudneva, was celebrated among the TOP-100 women who inspire and change the world according to the BBC.

In the late December, the Superhumans Center was visited by the President of Ukraine Volodymyr Zelenskyy. During the hour-long visit, the President got acquainted with the key areas of the Center’s operation and met our patients undergoing rehabilitation after prosthetics and complex reconstructive surgeries.

Thank you for supporting Superhumans!

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