

IN MEMORIAM Dr. Alexandru PASCU



"Goodbye Doctor Alexandru Pascu!", with regret that we will no longer listen to you teaching the AUDIOLOGY that you loved so much, with regret that we will no longer be able to consult with you on difficult cases, as some of us had the PRIVILEGE to be able to do it.

Certainly, those who knew doctor Pascu have always respected his SCIENTIFIC EXCELLENCE and strictness and it is our duty to convey to the young generations of ENT specialists the information and our gratitude for implementation in Romania of new medical skills, AUDIOLOGY and VESTIBULAR PATHOLOGY.

With the characteristic enthusiasm, dedication and medical rigor, Dr. Alexandru Pascu made his soul project the development of Audiology in Romania and succeeded not only in introducing Audiology in ENT specialty in our country, but also in permanently maintaining it at the highest level of knowledge, being in permanent contact with the news and with the leaders in the field from abroad, with whom he collaborated on international research projects.

He became fully involved in the EFAS society, both professionally and personally, making lifelong friends in this highly professional and academic community.

His vast culture and open thinking allowed him to have a correct vision in the development not only of medical Audiology, but also of didactic and research, by establishing, together with Professor Romeo Călărășu the College of Audiology and Hearing Prosthetics within the "Carol Davila" University of Medicine and Pharmacy from Bucharest. He also introduced the audiologist profession in Romania, through the creation in National Institute of Phono-Audiology and ENT Functional Surgery of the Audio-Vestibular Exploration Department, unique in Eastern Europe and perhaps not only, as well as of the National Newborn and Cochlear Implant Hearing Screening Programs.

He represented Romania in the European Federation of Audiology Societies (EFAS), in order to introduce in Romania, the international training curriculum in Audiology and thus offer the young graduates of the College of Audiology knowledge, but also employment opportunities.

For over 40 years, Dr. Alexandru Pascu dedicated himself to the "Professor Dr. Dorin Hociotă" Institute of Phono-Audiology and ENT Functional Surgery, contributing essentially to its recognition as a leader of medical expertise. He learned a new medical specialty from scratch in internships and courses abroad that he completed as a diligent student in the TEMPUS projects he had won, taught nurses from all over the country to perform audiometry, created the first hearing aid center, within the Institute, introduced the Competence in Audiology and held annual training courses in this subfield of ENT, in order to create the foundations of a network of ENT-audiologists in Romania, to join the generations of graduating audiologists of the College of Audiology.

The vast majority of those who practice Audiology in Romania today are, directly or indirectly, the result of the inspiration and effort of Doctor Alexandru Pascu. All of us will always remember and miss you!

With great respect,

Mădălina Georgescu