

IN MEMORIAM

Professor Ivan Daskalov, D.Sc. 1933-2013



This year we recall the 80th anniversary of the birthday of Prof. Ivan Daskalov, D.Sc., and almost 10 years of his decease.

Prof. Ivan Daskalov left lasting traces in the Bulgarian Science. His activity in the field of the Biomedical Engineering was predestinated by the capability for searching and implementing original technical solutions. He surrounded with care talented and diligent collaborators and encouraged their professional growth. That is why we can say with conviction: Prof. Daskalov founded the Bulgarian School of Biomedical Engineering and won its international recognition.

His scientific achievements are impressive. Europe and the other parts of the World know him – his fundamental publications in the field of Biomedical Engineering are citing by many investigators. He was one of the 40th full members of the International Academy of Biomedical Engineering. His common researches with foreign partners led to development, design, and production in Bulgarian and abroad of an immense number of devices for diagnostics and therapy of cardiovascular and respiratory diseases.

The professional road of Prof. Ivan Daskalov was continuous and fully devoted to the beloved science, he adopted as a fate since the student days. He has obtained profound knowledge in several branches of the Biomedical Engineering, but also in Physics and Biophysics, and in physiological and functional methods of the Clinical Medicine, that enabled him to early perceive the promising approaches for studies and implementing in practice. Such harmony of engineering and medicine in one individual is a rarity. Now it is difficult to enumerate all achieved by him. Even he was embarrassed to mention during the 70th anniversary celebration the created by him and under his leadership. He impressed the auditory with the enormous amount of results he had behind him. He also impressed us, the closest friends and collaborators, because the rate imposed by him doomed to forgetfulness the already done in the face of new challenges.

With the decease of Prof. Daskalov we lost the friend, the teacher, the worthy Bulgarian. We grieve for him but keep in mind that the best manner to express our tribute is to continue his professional course.

Let us honour his memory. May his soul rest in peace.

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