

In memoriam dr. Róbert Ohmacht

Róbert Ohmacht was born in Budapest in 1948. In 1973, he joined the Institute of Medical Chemistry with a strong tradition. He completed his undergraduate dissertation on gas chromatography, joining the chromatographic group famous for Zechmeister and Cholnoky. He attended the University of Saarbrücken with a Humboldt Fellowship in 1979 in the field of the development of high-performance liquid chromatography methods, and after his return he continued his research in this field and developed instruments and columns. He received his candidate's degree in 1986, his habilitation in 1996 and his title of Doctor of the Hungarian Academy of Sciences in 2003. He was appointed associate professor in 1993 and professor in 2005.

According to his own description, he was a person with great endurance and as a result, he had a number of university assignments during his professional career. In 2000, he became foreign affairs officer, in 2004 he became the head of the German-language medical education program and was responsible for the German-language medical chemistry subject. He completed his latter duties so successfully that in 2010 he became part-time head of the German-language pharmacy training and was responsible for the German-language general chemistry subject at the Semmelweis University as well. He was involved in all areas of the undergraduate and postgraduate education. He conducted oral and written examinations, comprehensive examinations, final examinations for general medicine students, dentistry students, and pharmacy students, as well as comprehensive examinations and final examinations for PhD students. He had four TDK students and five graduated PhD students with his supervision.

As a result of his successful scholarly activities, he was awarded 6 OTKA and one GVOP grant, and received the Order of Merit of the Hungarian National Order of Merit on 15 March 2019, in recognition of his scientific and public life activities. Professor Ohmacht was a balanced, optimistic man. He loved to play tennis and skiing, and when he was older, he was passionate about gardening. He loved music, with a collection of about 600 records and 300 CDs, he preferred to listen to Beethoven's string quartets but the national and foreign opera performances were also his favourites. With his departure, we lost a valuable, nice personality.

May he rest in peace.