In Memoriam

Professor Almerico Novarini



We are saddened to learn that Professor Almerico Novarini passed away on January 10, 2024, at the age of 85. He was a Full Professor of Internal Medicine, Dean of Faculty and President of the Society of Medicine and Natural Sciences of Parma for a long time.

The passing of Professor Almerico Novari deeply saddened us. He was a colleague of excellent standing in the medical and academic fields. His clinical and scientific interests included the study of kidney diseases and arterial hypertension.

For sixteen years as Dean of the Faculty of Medicine and Surgery of Parma University, Prof Novarini was a reference figure for generations of students and doctors. When he met medical students at the open day meetings, he always underlined the ethical aspects to consider in the medical profession and the human commitment that a doctor has to put into his work: "Knowing, knowing how to do and knowing how to be" is the triad he always mentioned with an encouraging smile. This is just one of the many teachings he left us. Another lesson that he left us in his masterful lessons was the importance of volunteering and associationism. He was an inspirational figure for many students and doctors.

Prof Novarini believed in the importance of teaching medical ethics and medical pedagogy. Based on these enlightened principles, he encouraged the establishment of the Center for Medical Bioethics, named after his Master, Professor Luigi Migone.

His passing away is a significant loss for the University of Parma, the medical community and all those who have had the privilege of knowing him and receiving his teachings for so many years. We will remember him fondly.

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