REVIEW

The Most Influential Scientists in the Development of Medical Informatics (23): Attila Naszlady (1931-2015)

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Attila Naszlady, MD, PhD. (1931-2015) was born in Budapest, Hungary. He was one of the prominent and influential Medical informatics experts and most famous pioneers of Medical informatics in South-Eastern Europe, recognizable internationally (1-3). Graduated at Faculty of medicine at Semmelweis University in Budapest in the year 1958. Specialist in Internal medicine he became in 1965. Member of European Society of Cardiology he became in 2000. He has been elected as member of Academy of Science of St Stephen in 1967 and member of Hungarian Academy of Sciences in Budapest in 1979. His professional and academic career was very rich: Resident physician, Municipal Hospital, Esztergom, Hungary (1958-1960); research fellow, National Institute Cardiology, Budapest (1960-1964); assistant professor, 4th Medical Clinic of Semmelweis University of Budapest (1964-1970); honorary professor, 4th Medical Clinic of Semmelweis University of Budapest (1980); head Cardiopulmonary department, National Institute Pulmonology, Budapest (1970-1996); General director, National Institute Pulmonology, Budapest (1992-1995); medical general director, Malthese Charity Svc. Hungary, Budapest (since 1996). Consultant College Cardiology Hungary (since 1985), College Pulmonology Hungary (1990-1996), College Medical Informatics Hungary (since 1990). Professor Attila Naszlady was recipient of Academy prize of Hungarian Academy of Sciences (1974, 1978); named Eminent Physician, Ministry of Welfare, Hungary (1991), Eminent University Teacher (1988); World Health Organization fellow (1969, 1980-1990). He was knighted Ordo Equestris Sancti Sepulchri Hierosolymitani in 1993. Professor Naszlady has been National representative of International Measurement confederation (since 1985). His important achievements included patents for Saniform Memory Chip System (1, 2). He has been member and fellow of a lot of professional, scientific and academic associations:

Ministerial commissioner Ministry of Welfare, Hungary (1992-1995); Representative of Social Security (1993-1996). Member of Pontificia Academy Tiberina, He was member of Council of European Federation Medical Informatics –EFMI (1994-2002), Secretary of EFMI (1996-1998), President of EFMI (1999-2000), member of General Assembly of International Association of Medical Informatics – IMIA (1994-2002) and EFMI Vice-President of IMIA (2002-2004). Professor Naszlady also has been member of John von Neuman Society Computer Sciences and President Biomedical section (1985-1998), Hungarian Society Pulmonologists Board directors (1980-1996) and Hungarian Society Cardiologists (since 1984), Central Sport Office Club. Attila Naszlady was author and co-author a lot of books and monographs and 120 other publications in several scientific and academic fields. He chaired a lot of Conference sessions, including MIE 2002 held in Budapest in 2002.

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