

In memoriam

Associate Professor Dr. Peter Georgiev Galabov

It is with great regret that we report the death, on the 13 th of December 2002 at the age of 55, of Associate Professor Dr. Peter Georgiev Galabov.

Dr. Galabov was born in Sofia in the family of the renowned Bulgarian scientist and medical doctor Prof. G. Galabov. Dr. Peter Galabov graduated from the Medical University in Sofia. Further he specialized in anatomy, histology and cellular immunology, working in a number of prestigious establishments both in Bulgaria and abroad, among others – the Institute of Anatomy in Freiburg; The Mary and Pierre Curie University in Paris; the Laboratory for Studies on Biological Structures in Moscow.

Dr. Peter Galabov was an active member of a number of national and international societies as the International Brain Research Organization; the International Society for Neurochemistry; the Bulgarian Anatomical Society and others.

He has published over 50 original papers and a few books: Vegetative representations in the spinal cord (1989); Modern histochemical methods for studying the nervous system (1981) and others. The major contributions of Dr. Peter Galabov concern the ultrastructure and the regenerative abilities of the spinal cord, as well as the colocalization of neurotransmitters and biologically active peptides in the nervous tissue. His studies are widely cited in the scientific literature, which is a recognition for their originality and impact on the contemporary neurobiology.

Dr. Peter Galabov was also competent and thorough in his work in the administration of science. He was Director of the Regeneration Research Laboratory at the Bulgarian Academy of Sciences, Scientific secretary and a long-serving leader of the Neurocytology research group and many scientific projects.

The death of Dr. Peter Galabov deprived us from a remarkable scientist, humanist and devoted friend.