

Prof. Dr. ORHAN NURI ULUTIN, 1. 1. 1924 - 2. 11. 2011



Prof. Dr. Orhan N. Ulutin was a founding member of the Danubian League working closely together with Helmut Vinazzer from the early beginning.

He was born in Istanbul on December 30<sup>th</sup>, 1924. He obtained his medical degree at the Faculty of Medicine at the University of Istanbul. He specialized in Internal Medicine in 1952 and became extraordinary Professor for internal Medicine in 1961 and specialized in Haematology with particular interest in platelet function.

I first met him in Istanbul in 1985 along with the 4<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Danubian League. Orhan served as a very active link between the Danubian League and the Mediterranean League. He was a very nice person, a humble man, very dynamic and active, a great international networker and a talented organizer. It was great fun to discuss scientific as well as private matters with him. He liked to travel, I remember among others, when we met each other in Costa Rica on the occasion of a CLAHT-meeting when we climbed one after the other in the humid summer heat on volcano Turrialba.

Despite retiring in 1991 he continued hard working, received a lot of national and international honors, worked in many societies and journals and edited a great many of books. In a unique way he combined joy and hard work and was a trusted friend.

Considering his great contributions he was elected as honorary member of the Danubian League in 1992. For decades he was a backbone and a great supporter of DLTH.

He passed away on November 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2011.

Helmut Sinzinger, January 2014