niz uglednih društvenih funkcija na Fakultetu i izvan njega: od predsjednika Stomatološke sekcije ZLH 1973., generalnog sekretara Udruženja stomatologa Jugoslavije 1974., osnivača i predsjednika specijalističke Sekcije za bolesti usta, zuba i parodonta ZLH 1977. Organizator je brojnih simpozija i kongresa.

Odlaskom u mirovinu i dalje je aktivan u izobrazbi novih kadrova u poslijediplomskoj nastavi i mentorstvu.

Profesor dr. Milutin Dobrenić vrstan je predavač koji jasno prenosi svoje znanje slušačima. Svoj tridesetgodišnji nastavnički rad temelji na znanstvenim spoznajama i na bogatom stručnom radu i iskustvu. Dobar pedagog s velikom didaktičkom sposobnošću i elokvencijom, imao je atraktivne životopisne prezentacije slučajeva u praksi. Bio je među studentima i postdiplomantima vrlo omiljeli predavač. Njegov etički, liječnički pristup u praktičnoj nastavi i osnovne postulate pamte mnogi naraštaji liječnika stomatologa, njegovih studenata. Pamtimo ga mi njegovi suradnici i bivši studenti kao strogoga ali pravedna profesora. Zahvalni smo mu za savjete, mišljenja, pomoć koju nam je pružio, kad god nam je zatrebala, tek poslije svjesni koliko je to imalo utjecaja na oblikovanje naše stručnosti, znanstvene aktivnosti, nastave i našega života.

Dragi profesore, u ime Vaših suradnika, prijatelja, kolega i studenata čestitamo Vam jubilej s najboljim željama za stabilnim zdravljem i užitkom u svestranim hobijima u krugu Vaše velike obitelji.

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## 85<sup>th</sup> BIRTHDAY

## Prof. dr. Milutin Dobrenić

On the 15th May 2002 Prof. Milutin Dobrenić will celebrate his 85th birthday. Prof. Dobrenić was for many years Head of the Department of Oral Pathology at the School of Dental Medicine in Zagreb and Director of the Department of Oral Diseases in the Dental Clinic at the University Hospital Centre in Zagreb. He is a Doctor of Philosophy and Medical Sciences. He started work in the dental profession in 1948, in the School Polyclinic in Zagreb as a professional collaborator and Assistant at the School of Dental Medicine in Zagreb, and as lecturer in the Department of Dental Pathology. As Head of the Department, he taught Oral Pathology as an Associate and Full Professor from 1962 to 1983, up until his retirement. He was the founder of contemporary clinical disciplines in Oral Pathology, which he headed up until his retirement.

Apart from routine undergraduate and postgraduate teaching, he also taught Oral Pathology at the School of Medicine, Dental Study in Rijeka and at the Faculty of Dentistry in Sarajevo. As a professional pedagogue he modernised teaching methods by stimulating students to study independently and by discussions with other colleagues. His scientific interest in the field of philosophy continued in dental medicine, and by experimental methods, physiology and histology, he revealed scientific truth. He connected dental medicine with other medical disciplines, particularly Oral Pathology, which lead to numerous interdisciplinary studies in the field of general and oral medicine, conciliatory meetings and other professional activities. It can be said that Prof. Milutin Dobrenić had an important role in the development of Oral Pathology, and thus also dental medicine over several decades.

He gained scientific improvement in many European scientific institutions, for example in Paris, Lion, Strasbourg, and Orleans. In 1967 he became a member of the International Society for Nutrition, Vital Substances and Diseases of Civilisation, whose headquarters are in Hanover. He was also a member and founder of the International Academy for the Protection of Nature, Environment and Biopolitics, with headquarters in Luxembourg.

Prof. Dobrenić published two textbooks, which are the basis of Oral Pathology in Croatia and also several handbooks for the dental practitioner. He was Editor for the field of Oral Pathology in the Dental Lexicon. With his papers he promoted Oral Pathology as a clinical dental discipline. He published approximately 150 scientific and professional papers and was tutor for numerous M.Sc. and Ph.D. theses.

During his many years of work at the School of Dental Medicine in Zagreb he acquired a great reputation in the field of dental medicine, and consequently his opinion and ability was greatly valued. He held several eminent social functions at the School and further afield. In 1973 he was President of the Dental Section of the Croatian Medical Association, in 1974 General Secretary of the Association of Yugoslav Dentists, and in 1977 founder and President of the Specialist Section for Diseases of the Mouth, Teeth and Periodontium of the Croatian Medical Association. He also organised many symposia and congresses.

After his retirement he continued to be actively engaged in education through postgraduate teaching and tutorship.

Prof. Milutin Dobrenić is an exceptional teacher, who clearly transfers his knowledge to the listener. His thirty years of teaching were based on scientific knowledge and abundant practical work and experience. He is a good pedagogue with excellent didactic ability and eloquence, and attractive, biographic presentation of cases in practice. He was a very well liked teacher among students and postgraduates. His ethical, medical approach to practical teaching and basic postulates can be remembered by many generations of dentists - his students. We, his co-workers and former students, remember him as a strict, although just, professor, and we are grateful to him for the advice, opinion and help which he gave whenever we needed it. Later we were to realise how much influence he had had on the development of our expertise, scientific activity, teaching and even on our own personal lives.

Dear Professor, in the name of your co-workers, friends, colleagues and students we congratulate you on your birthday with best wishes for health and enjoyment in your many hobbies, within the circle of your large family.

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