

## In memoriam

### Pavo Filaković

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Pavo Filaković rođen je 21. veljače 1949. godine u Baranjskom Petrovom Selu gdje je završio niže razrede osnovne škole, a više razrede osnovne škole i gimnaziju završio je u Belom Manastiru. Na Medicinskom fakultetu Sveučilišta u Zagrebu diplomirao je 1973. godine. Njegova sklonost i interes prema psihijatriji mogli su se zamijetiti već u studentskim danima kad je kao student sudjelovao u terenskim epidemiološkim istraživanjima proširenosti psihijatrijskih poremećaja. Kao rođeni Baranjac radio je dvije godine u tada obaveznoj općoj medicini, u ambulantama širom Baranje i Medicinskom centru Vukovar te se već na samim počecima njegove liječničke karijere moglo uočiti da se radi o budućem vrsnom kliničaru. Specijalizaciju iz psihijatrije na Klinici za psihijatriju KBC-a Zagreb obavio je od 1979. do 1982. godine. Bio je uposlen u KBC-u Osijek od 1978. godine kao specijalizant, a potom od 1982. godine kao specijalist iz psihijatrije. Bio je pročelnik Kliničkog odjela biologiske psihijatrije s intenzivnom skrbi na Klinici za psihijatriju KB Osijek od 1988. do 2003. godine kad je postao

Pavo Filaković was born on February 21, 1949 in Petrovo Selo in the Baranja region, where he finished the early years of primary school, completing primary school and secondary school in Beli Manastir. He graduated from the University of Zagreb Medical school in 1973. His interest and propensity for psychiatry were already clear during his days a student, when he participated in field epidemiological studies on the prevalence of psychiatric disorders. As a person born in the Baranja region, he worked for two years as part of the mandatory general medical practice at the time in clinics throughout Baranja and in the Vukovar Medical Centre, and it was clear from the start of his medical career that he would be an excellent clinician. He earned his specialization in psychiatry at the Psychiatry Clinic of the Zagreb Clinical Hospital Centre between 1979 and 1982. He was employed at the Osijek Clinical Hospital Centre from 1978 as a resident and from 1982 as a specialist in psychiatry. He was the head of the Clinical Department for Biological Psychiatry with Intensive Care at the Psychiatry

predstojnik Klinike za psihijatriju KB Osijek. Na toj dužnosti ostao je do 2013. godine kad je nastavio karijeru kao nastavnik na Medicinskom, a nakon osnivanja Fakulteta za dentalnu medicinu do svoje smrti bio je nastavnik psihijatrije na tom fakultetu.

Iako se gotovo cijeli radni vijek bavio biologijskom psihijatrijom, njegovi začetci u psihijatriji su više vezani uz socijalnu psihijatriju pa je tako poslijediplomski studij iz socijalne psihijatrije na Medicinskom fakultetu Sveučilišta u Zagrebu pohađao 1982-1983. godine. Magistrirao je 1987. godine, a doktorirao 1995. na Medicinskom fakultetu Sveučilišta u Zagrebu. Područja istraživanja kako magisterija tako i doktorata bila su iz područja biologijske psihijatrije. Ipak, interes prema socijalnoj psihijatriji i socijalnopatološkim procesima i pojavama ga je kasnije odveo prema bavljenju interdisciplinarnim područjem – forenzičkom psihijatrijom. Naziv primarius stekao je 1993. godine. Subspecijalizacija iz biologijske psihijatrije na Klinici za psihijatriju KB Osijek priznata mu je 2003. godine. Doprinos razvoju psihijatrije dao je organizacijom i sudjelovanjem na brojnim domaćim i međunarodnim stručnim i znanstvenim skupovima kao aktivni sudionik i pozvani predavač.

Prof. Pavo Filaković bio je izuzetno posvećen znanstvenom radu. Objavio je ukupno 88 stručnih i znanstvenih članaka. Pedeset osam članaka objavio je u međunarodno indeksiranim publikacijama, a na kontinuitet njegovog znanstvenog interesa ukazuje i podatak da je 24 znanstvena i stručna rada objavio poslije posljednjeg izbora u znanstveno nastavna zvanja. Sudjelovao je u izvedbi 2 domaća znanstveno-istraživačka projekta i dva međunarodna projekta. Od 2007. do 2012. godine bio je voditelj projekta „Mehanizam nastanka metaboličkog sindroma induciran antipsihoticima“ i suradnik na projektu „Strategija izgradnje akademskog okružja za poticanje moralnog razvoja“. Bio je mentor 5 doktorskih radova, 2

Clinic of the Osijek Clinical Hospital from 1988 to 2003, when he became the head of the Psychiatry Clinic of the Osijek Clinical Hospital. He remained at this position until 2013, when he continued his career as an educator at the Medical School, and after the foundation of the Dental Medicine Faculty he worked there as a teacher of psychiatry until his death.

Although he spent almost the whole of his career working on biological psychiatry, the beginning of his career was focused more on social psychiatry, and he attended postgraduate courses from social psychiatry at the University of Zagreb Medical school in 1982 and 1983. He earned his master's degree in 1987 and his doctorate in 1995 at the University of Zagreb Medical School. The research topics both in his master's and doctorate theses were from the field of biological psychiatry. However, his interest towards social psychiatry and sociopathological processes and phenomena later led him to work in an interdisciplinary field – forensic psychiatry. He earned the title of chief physician in 1993 and subspecialization in biological psychiatry at the Psychiatry Clinic of the Osijek Clinical Hospital in 2003. He contributed to the development of psychiatry by organizing and participating in numerous Croatian and international professional and scientific conferences as an active participant and invited lecturer.

Prof. Pavo Filaković was extremely dedicated to scientific work. He published a total of 88 professional and scientific papers. Fifty-eight of these were published in internationally indexed publications, and the continuity of his scientific work is clear from the fact that he published 24 professional and scientific papers after his last appointment to a scientific-teaching grade. He also participated in the implementation of two Croatian research projects and two international projects. Between 2007 and 2012, he was project leader on the “Mechanism for the Development of Metabolic Syndrome Induced by Antipsychotics” project and participated in

magisterska rada te više studentskih diplomskih radova.

Kao istraživač i kasnije glavni istraživač, sudjelovao je u većem broju stručnih projekata farmakoloških kliničkih ispitivanja lijekova. U svom radu je uvijek iskazivao pedantnost i visoku sposobnost kliničkog zapažanja te je u više navrata prijavljivao nuspojave lijekova u ovim studijama, davao primjedbe i prijedloge za poboljšanje dizajna studija zbog čega su ga i organizatori istraživanja doživljavali kao vršnog, poštenog i objektivnog kliničara.

Nastavničku karijeru prof. Pavo Filaković započeo je 1988. godine kao voditelj vježbi iz psihijatrije na Studiju medicine Medicinskog fakulteta Sveučilišta u Zagrebu. Nakon osnutka Medicinskog fakulteta u Osijeku 1998. godine sudjelovao je u nastavi iz psihijatrije na Katedri za psihijatriju i psihološku medicinu. Bio je asistent od 1998. do 2000. godine, habilitaciju za docenta imao je 2000. godine na Medicinskom fakultetu Sveučilišta «J. J. Strossmayer» u Osijeku. U zvanje izvanrednog profesora izabran je 2004. godine, a u zvanje redovitog profesora 2008. godine na Medicinskom fakultetu u Osijeku. Od 2013. godine bio je redoviti profesor u trajnom zvanju na Medicinskom fakultetu u Osijeku. Od 2002. godine bio je pročelnik Katedre za psihijatriju i psihološku medicinu na Medicinskom fakultetu Sveučilišta "Josip Juraj Strossmayer" u Osijeku. Bio je nositelj nastave iz više predmeta na Integriranom studiju medicine, Studiju sestrinstva, poslijediplomskom studiju te na Sveučilištu u Zadru. U dva mandata, od 2005. do 2009. godine bio je dekan Medicinskog fakulteta u Osijeku čime se posebno ponosio. Također je obnašao i dužnost prodekana za suradnju s nastavnim bazama. U njegovom znanstveno nastavnom djelovanju svakako je potrebno istaknuti uređivanje i koautorstvo prvog osječkog udžbenika psihijatrije iz 2013. godine. Njegova ljudska osobina osjećaja zahvalnosti prema učiteljima sadržana je i u riječi urednika ovog udžbenika gdje profesor

the "Strategy for the Development of an Academic Environment for the Encouragement of Moral Development" project. He mentored 5 doctorate theses, 2 master's theses, and numerous graduate theses.

As a researcher and later as head researcher, he participated in numerous projects on pharmacological clinical drug trials. In his work, he always demonstrated conscientiousness and highly developed clinical observation skills, reporting medication side-effects on multiple occasions during these studies and providing comments and suggestions to improve the design of the studies, which is why the study organizers considered him an excellent, fair, and objective clinician.

Prof. Pavo Filaković began his teaching career in 1988 by holding a psychiatry exercises course at the University of Zagreb Medical School. After the founding of the Medical School in Osijek in 1998, he participated in teaching courses at the Department for Psychiatry and Psychological Medicine. He was a teaching assistant from 1998 to 2000 and passed his habilitation for an assistant professorship in 2000 at the "J. J. Strossmayer" University Medical School in Osijek. He became an associate professor at the Osijek Medical School in 2004 and a full professor in 2008. Since 2013, he was a full professor with tenure at the Osijek Medical School. He was the head of the Department for Psychiatry and Psychological Medicine at the "J. J. Strossmayer" University Medical School in Osijek since 2002. He taught multiple courses at the Integrated Medical School, Nursing School, held postgraduate courses, and taught at the University of Zadar. For two terms, from 2005 to 2009, he was the dean of the Osijek Medical School, which he was especially proud of. He also performed the duties of the vice deanship for cooperation with other teaching bases. With regard to his scientific and educational work, it is certainly necessary to emphasize his work in editing and coauthoring the first Osijek

Filaković kaže: „Knjigu smo napisali kako bi vratili dug našim učiteljima prijenosom znanja i vještina iz psihijatrije na naše učenike“. Ono što je krasilo pisanje prof. Filakovića jest jezgrovitost i jasnoća njegove misli. Te osobine je naslijedio od svog oca Matije Filakovića, šokačkog seljaka i pučkog književnika.

Prof. Pavo Filaković je svoju privrženost radu na području psihijatrije pokazivao i sudjelovanjem u radu brojnih stručnih psihijatrijskih društava. Bio je član Hrvatskog psihijatrijskog društva, potom član Upravnog odbora Hrvatskog društva za kliničku psihijatriju, dopredsjednik Hrvatskog psihofarmakološkog društva, član Hrvatskog društva za forenzičku psihijatriju.

Bio je član Akademije medicinskih znanosti Hrvatske od 1997. godine te član Hrvatskog liječničkog zbora gdje je također bio vrlo aktivan kao član Povjerenstva za liječničku etiku i deontologiju i predsjednik suda časti podružnice Osijek. Prof. Filaković se stavio na raspolaganje i Ministarstvu zdravstva – bio je član Povjerenstva za psihijatriju Ministarstva zdravstva RH, potom član Središnjeg etičkog povjerenstva Ministarstva zdravstva 2006.-2008. godine te član povjerenstva za zaštitu osoba s duševnim smetnjama 2011.-2012. godine. Za svoj predani stručni i znanstveni rad dobio je niz priznanja od kojih treba izdvojiti Povelju hrvatskog liječničkog zbora 2005. godine, Priznanje Hrvatskog zavoda za mentalno zdravlje za doprinos u razvoju psihijatrije u Hrvatskoj 2008. godine, Nagradu „Ladislav Rakovac“ 2009. godine, Priznanje Hrvatskog društva za zaštitu i unaprjeđenje mentalnog zdravlja Hrvatskog liječničkog zbora povodom 1. Hrvatskog kongresa o prevenciji i rehabilitaciji u psihijatriji u Sv. Martinu na Muri 2010. godine.

Profesora Pavu Filakovića pozajem od svog djetinjstva budući da smo obojica rođeni u istom mjestu te su nas zbog toga često kolege i suradnici znali u šali nazivati „oni Baranji“. Veže nas veliko prijateljstvo naših roditelja, ali

psychiatry handbook from 2013. His humane virtue of gratitude towards his students is also embodied in the editor's foreword in this handbook, where professor Filaković says: "We have written this book to pay back our debt to our teachers by transferring psychiatric knowledge and skills to our students". The writing of Prof. Filaković was always graced by succinctness and clarity of thought. He inherited this from his father, Matija Filaković, a farmer and folk writer of the Šokci people.

Prof. Pavo Filaković also demonstrated his dedication to work in the field of psychiatry by participating in the work of numerous professional psychiatric societies. He was a member of the Croatian Psychiatric Association, a member of the Board of the Croatian Society for Clinical Psychiatry, vice president of the Croatian Psychopharmaceutical Society, and a member of the Croatian Society for Forensic Psychiatry.

He was a member of the Croatian Academy of Medical Sciences since 1997 and a member of the Croatian Medical Association, where he was also a very active member of the Committee for Medical Ethics and Deontology and the president of the chancery of the Osijek branch. Prof. Filaković also offered his services to the Ministry of Health – he was a member of the Psychiatry Committee of the Ministry of Health of the Republic of Croatia, a member of the Central Ethics Committee of the Ministry of Health between 2006 and 2008, and a member of the committee for the protection of persons with mental disorders between 2011 and 2012. He received numerous awards for his dedicated professional and scientific work, among which we must especially mention the Award of the Croatian Medical Association, the Award of the Croatian Institute for Mental Health for Contributions in Developing Psychiatry in Croatia in 2008, the "Ladislav Rakovac" Award in 2009, and the Award of the Croatian Society for the Protection and Improvement of Mental health of the Croatian Medical Association as part of

naši putevi su se ipak značajnije susreli nakon mog završetka studija. Profesor Filaković me je u našim tadašnjim druženjima zainteresirao za područje psihijatrije te sam na kraju i sam izabrao ovu specijalizaciju. Ono što mi je živo ostalo u sjećanju jest sredina osamdesetih godina prošlog stoljeća kada se osječka psihijatrija pod vodstvom profesora Nikole Mandića spremala na osamostaljenje, a za što su tada postojali veliki otpori kako u samom tadašnjem Odjelu neuropsihijatrije tako i u vodstvu bolnice. Profesor Filaković je tada bio glavni suradnik i podrška profesoru Nikoli Mandiću i snažni pobornik daljeg samostalnog razvoja psihijatrije. Sva naša tadašnja druženja i razgovori bili su u znaku ovog procesa. U tim začecima osječke samostalne psihijatrije kad su na Kliniku pristigli novi kolege specijalizanti i ja među njima, profesor Filaković je tada bio određena spona između starije generacije liječnika i skupine nas specijalizanata. Profesor Filaković je u tim prvim godinama klinike radio intenzivno na razvoju biologische psihijatrije, poticao mlade kolege da se uključe u znanstvenoistraživački rad te se svakodnevno trudio da osječka biologiska psihijatrija bude u korak sa zagrebačkom kojoj je tada na čelu bio veliki profesor Nenad Bohaček. Potrebno je reći da je profesor Filaković sa suradnicima na tadašnjem Odjelu biologiske psihijatrije provodio kod refrakternih duševnih poremećaja između ostalih terapijskih metoda i elektrokonvulzivnu terapiju što je tada na razini Hrvatske provodila još jedino Klinika za psihijatriju KBC-a Zagreb. Početkom ratnih zbivanja, dok je kod nekih još vladala nedoumica kako se postaviti u nadolazećim vremenima, profesor Filaković je imao jasne domoljubne stavove te je u suradnji s profesorom Vladom Jukićem kao predstavnikom Glavnog sanitetskog stožera RH radio na razvoju slavonske ratne psihijatrije, ali i sudjelovao u direktnoj pomoći braniteljima koji su odlazili ili se vraćali sa prvih crta bojišnice. Tijekom rata aktivno je sudjelovao u edukaciji časnika i dočasnika Hrvatske vojske na blago-

the 1<sup>st</sup> Croatian Congress on prevention and Rehabilitation in Psychiatry in Sv. Martin na Muri in 2010.

I knew Professor Pavo Filaković since childhood: we were both born in the same place, and colleagues would often jokingly call us "those guys from Baranja". We were bound by the great friendship that existed between our parents, but our paths intertwined more tightly only after I finished my studies. It was then that Professor Filaković piqued my interest in psychiatry during the time we spent together, to the point where I chose to pursue that specialization in medicine. I vividly remember the mid-eighties, when psychiatry in Osijek was preparing for independence under the leadership of Professor Nikola Mandić, which was met with great resistance at the time both from the Neuropsychiatry Department and the hospital leadership. Professor Filaković was the main ally and supporter of Professor Nikola Mandić at the time, and a strong adherent of the further independent development of psychiatry. All our conversations at the time were marked by this process. In these beginnings of independent psychiatry in Osijek, when new colleagues undergoing psychiatry residency arrived at the Clinic, and I among them, Professor Filaković acted as a bridge between the older generation of physicians and us residents. During these first years of the new clinic, Professor Filaković worked intensely on the development of biological psychiatry, encouraged younger colleagues to take part in scientific research, and constantly worked on making biological psychiatry in Osijek become an equal to that in Zagreb, which was led by the great Professor Nenad Bohaček at the time. It should be noted that Professor Filaković and his colleagues at what was the Department of Biological Psychiatry at the time conducted, among other therapies, electroconvulsive therapy for refractory mental disorders, as the only place this therapy was applied in Croatia other than

vremenom prepoznavanju duševnih smetnji kod hrvatskih vojnika i održavao zapažena predavanja za djelatnike tadašnje Operativne zone Osijek. U poratnim godinama bio je jedan od organizatora u pružanju psihiatrijske pomoći prognanicima i izbjeglicama iz BiH u kampova Čepin i Gašinci. Posebno se sjećam njegovih zahtjeva pri dolasku u privremene domove izbjeglica da se ponašamo u skladu s njihovim običajima. Profesor Filaković je iza sebe ostavio jednu od najuspješnijih i najrazvijenijih klinika KBC-a Osijek, ostavio je skupinu kolega koji danas vode Kliniku i Katedru za psihiatriju i psihološku medicinu kao i mlade vrijedne psihiatre čije vrijeme tek dolazi, ali koji već sada vrlo kvalitetno rade na daljem razvoju Klinike i Katedre za psihiatriju.

Profesor Filaković je svojim naglim i neočekivanim odlaskom ostavio veliku prazninu u hrvatskoj te posebno slavonskoj psihiatriji. Iza sebe je ostavio suprugu Vesnu, kćerke Ivanu i Anu, sina Mateja te unuke Evu i Ingu na koje je bio posebno ponosan. Pamtit ćemo ga po njegovoj skromnosti, jednostavnosti i dobroti, a posebno će ga se sjećati njegovi pacijenti o kojima je skrbio do svoje smrti.

Neka mu je laka hrvatska zemlja koju je toliko volio i branio. Vječna mu hvala i slava!

Ivan Požgain

in the Psychiatry clinic of the Zagreb Clinical Hospital Centre. At the start of the Homeland War, while some were still unsure how to align themselves in the coming times, Professor Filaković took a clear patriotic position and, together with Professor Vlado Jukić as the representative of the Main Medical Corps Headquarters of the Republic of Croatia, worked on developing war psychiatry in the Slavonia region while also participating in direct aid to soldiers leaving for or returning to the front. During the war, he actively participated in the education of officers and non-commissioned officers of the Croatian Army in timely recognition of mental disorders in Croatian soldiers and held notable lectures for the members of the Osijek Army Operations Zone. In the post-war period, he was one of the organizers of psychiatric aid to refugees from Bosnia and Herzegovina in the Čepin and Gašnica camps. I clearly remember his demand that we act according to the customs of the refugees arriving to our temporary housing. Professor Filaković leaves behind him one of the most successful and most developed clinics of the Osijek Clinical Hospital Centre and a group of young, diligent colleagues leading the Clinic and the Department of Psychiatry and Psychological Medicine, who are yet to come into their prime but are already doing fine work on the further development of the Clinic and the Department of Psychiatry.

The sudden and unexpected passing of Professor Filaković has left a great void in Croatian and especially Slavonian psychiatry. He leaves behind his wife Vesna, his daughters Ivana and Ana, son Matija, and granddaughters Eva and Inga, whom he was especially proud of. We will remember him for his modesty, simplicity, and goodness, and he will be especially remembered by his patients, whom he cared for until his death.

May the Croatian earth he loved and defended so dearly rest lightly upon him. Glory and gratitude eternal be to him!

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