

## O B I T U A R Y

**Prof. MUDr. Miloslav Kukleta, CSc.**

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We deeply regret to announce the death of Prof. MUDr. Miloslav Kukleta, CSc. (\*1939), the prominent member of Executive Committee of the Collegium Internationale Activitatis Nervosae Superioris (C.I.A.N.S.) and its former President also, who passed with peace and grace on April 13, 2015 at the age of 76 years, with his family at his side.

M. Kukleta studied medicine in Brno and already during his studies he worked as researcher at the Department of Physiology at the Faculty of Medicine. He worked there continuously until the year 2014, being the head of this department for several years (2000–2002). In the 1990s he initiated the origin of Neuroscience Lectures, a new integrative subject for medical students of Masaryk University.

Research activities of Prof. Kukleta were firstly focused on defense behavior on animal model. In the neuroscience and psychiatric communities M. Kukleta was recognized namely for his studies focused on psychophysiological mechanisms of anxiety disorders. He applied his experimental findings in clinical practice during his many year collaboration with the Clinic of Psychiatry at the University Hospital Brno. Considerable part of his research activities was devoted to studies of the higher brain functions where he contributed to the knowledge about cognitive network organization in human brain.

Miloslav Kukleta was elected for several years as the President of the Czech Society for Psychosomatic Integrations, the affiliate member organization of the C.I.A.N.S. He also worked as vice-President of International Society of Behavioral Medicine and was an active member of Czech Physiological Society and Association des Physiologistes. Prof. Kukleta belonged to active organizers of multiple national as well as several international scientific meetings.

Miloslav Kukleta was a cordial empathetic man, always discussing with enthusiasm and deep interest not only in various areas of natural sciences but also in social and political topics. He was a kind man with personal charisma. He will be remembered with gratitude by all who knew him.

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