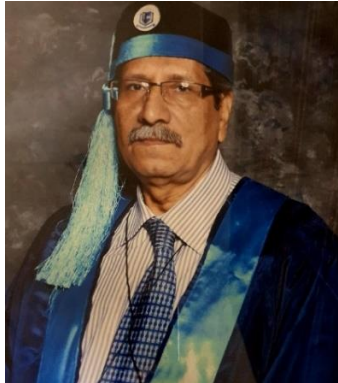


OBITUARY**Prof. Dr. Mohamed Akram****(Jan 1956- Jul 2022)**

Last month, we lost a gem of anesthesia, a teacher of teachers, a dedicated, honest and thorough professional - Professor Dr. Mohamed Akram. He was a man of character and principles. Besides his in-depth expertise in anesthesia, he infused the knowledge of the good social behavior, human interactions and of course managerial skills into his students. He always remained well-composed, and his tolerance and patience, even in very trying situations were so admirable. Modesty, conviction, perseverance and the highest level of moral ethics were his second nature. He loved knowledge, nature and people. He was always ready and willing to help the ailing humanity.

Dr. Mohamed Akram was born in Okara on January 9, 1956. He was among the first batch of Punjab Medical College, Faisalabad, Pakistan (1973-1978) from where he did his graduation. He was the first regular house officer in anesthesia department of Services Hospital Lahore. He opted for anesthesia specialty even in an unpaid capacity despite being No. 1 in merit list for house job. He qualified MS (Anesthesiology) in 1997. He can be titled as a Pioneer and a Hero of MS (Anesthesiology) because of his struggle for its recognition. He became associate professor of anesthesiology in 2001 and served in Allama Iqbal Medical College/ Jinnah Hospital Lahore. He was promoted as professor of anesthesiology in 2012 and served in Services Hospital Lahore till his retirement in December 2016.

We wish we could learn much more from him before he left us for his heavenly abode. He breathed his last on 19th July 2022 due to a sudden cardiac arrest. May his soul be elevated to the highest place in Jannah. Ameen!

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