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Professor Osama Salama obituary

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Professor Osama Salama, 1945–2021

It is with deep sadness that we announce the death of Professor Osama Salama, Vice President for student and postgraduate affairs, Future University in Egypt, who died in the evening of 7 January 2021, at the age of 76. He had suffered a short illness, but his passing was unexpected.

Prof. Osama was born on 8 August 1945. He graduated with honors from Faculty of Pharmacy and Pharmaceutical Chemistry, Alexandria University, in 1967 and achieved his master's degree in Pharmacognosy in 1973 from Alexandria University. He then obtained a diploma in medicinal plants from Pharmazeutisches Institut, Switzerland, in 1979 and finally his PhD in Pharmacy Science – drugs from ETH Zurich, Switzerland, in 1982.

He worked as a teaching assistant in Assiut University, then assistant lecturer in Mansoura University. He then headed to Switzerland where he worked as an assistant II in Pharmazeutisches Institut till obtaining his PhD. He then returned to Mansoura University until becoming a Professor of Pharmacognosy and Medicinal Plants in 2002. Afterwards, he worked in the industrial field as the director of R&D and QC departments in Pharco Pharmaceuticals, Alex., Egypt, till 2007. He joined FUE in 2007 as dean of Faculty of Pharmacy. Then, he became vice president for student and postgraduate affairs in 2011.

Prof. Osama was a leading researcher, distinguished for his research in different fields, mainly medicinal plants, and endophytes. He published over one hundred articles in peer review journals, authored some textbook chapters, and edited several books.

He will be sorely missed by colleagues and friends. Our thoughts are with his wife, two sons, two daughters, and his grandchildren.

Author's contributions

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