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IN MEMORIAM

Professor dr. Mihai MITITIUC (16.03.1937-3.01.2020)



This year, **professor dr. Mihai Mititiuc** – scientific personality of the Faculty of Biology from “**Alexandru Ioan Cuza**” **University of Iași** – passed away and left a lot of proofs of his academic activity, which lasted for over 4 decades.

Professor dr. Mihai Mititiuc was born on March 16, 1937, in Mihăileni, Botoșani county and he graduated from highschool at the “Grigore Ghica” Highschool in Dorohoi, in 1955. He graduated at the Faculty of Natural Sciences – Geography, within “Alexandru Ioan Cuza” University of Iași, as head of the 1960 promotion. Since his university education he was appointed as a teaching assistant at the Botany Department within the Faculty of Biology from Iași and completed all the academic steps up to university professor and PhD supervisor.

From the outstanding scientific activity, which he carried out, we note: obtaining a doctorate in micology, in 1968, at the University of Bucharest, for the PhD thesis entitled “*Contributions to the micromicetes and macromicetes flora from the Ponoare and Frumoasa natural reserves (Suceava county)*”; publishing books and over 250 scientific papers in national and international journals; discovery of 35 new micological species for the science; training of many generations of undergraduate and master students and successful coordination of 22 public defended doctoral theses in the field of micology and phytopathology; management of the Herbaria from Faculty of Biology and “Anastasiu Fătu” Botanic Garden from Iași; development of the staff and enrichment of the plant collection with numerous taxa in “Anastasiu Fătu” Botanic Garden

from Iași, which he managed, as head of the institution, during 1990-2007, etc.

Professor dr. Mihai Mititiuc remains in the memory of numerous generations by his teaching and scientific activities carried out within the Faculty of Biology at the "**Alexandru Ioan Cuza**" **University of Iași**, in the fields of Micology, Phytopathology, Biology of plant parasites, Plant protection, Sistematic Botany, Plant morphology, Biogeography, etc. The Flame of Botany taught with much devotion and professionalism, throughout the university period, will be continued by many generations to whom he was a mentor, teaching model and/or who knew him.

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