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Nakon duge i teške bolesti napustila nas je poštovana učiteljica, dugogodišnja suradnica i kolegica – umirovljena profesorica Stomatološkog fakulteta Sveučilišta u Zagrebu i specijalistica dentalne i oralne patologije s parodontologijom Jelena Aurer-Koželj.

Rođena je 1933. godine u Tomislavgradu. Studij stomatologije Medicinskog fakulteta u Zagrebu završila je 1959. Asistentica na Medicinskom fakultetu postala je 1960. Doktorirala je i postala prva doktorica znanosti na Stomatološkom fakultetu Sveučilišta u Zagrebu. Habilitirala je i postala sveučilišna docentica za bolesti usta 1968. godine, izvanredna profesorica parodontologije 1973. a redovita 1977 godine. Položila je specijalistički ispit iz oralne i dentalne patologije. Nakon stipendije *Alexander von Humboldt* i poslijedoktorskog usavršavanja parodontologije na minhenskom Sveučilištu *Ludwig Maximilian*, koristeći se stečenim znanjem i suvremenim trendom u stomatologiji, organizira našu modernu parodontologiju. Godine 1971. uvodi kolegij *Parodontologije* na studij stomatologije u Zagrebu. Utemeljila je Zavod za parodontologiju pri Stomatološkom fakultetu i klinički Odjel za liječenje parodontnih bolesti pri Stomatološkoj klinici KBC-a Zagreb, prvu nastavnu, znanstvenu i kliničku jedinicu parodontologije u našoj zemlji. Iste je godine izabrana za predstojnicu i zavoda i odjela. Organizirala je kolegij parodontologije za studij stomatologa pri Medicinskom fakultetu u Rijeci koji vodi do 1988.

Godine 1980. postaje konzultantica WHO-a za jugoistočnu Aziju za epidemiološka istraživanja učestalosti oralnih bolesti. Suradni član HAZU-a je od 1988. Objavila je više od 120 radova, deset knjiga – pet u suautorstvu, te više nastavnih tekstova i enciklopedijskih članaka. Aktivno je sudjelovala na mnogobrojnim skupovima u zemlji i inozemstvu. Bila je mentorica mnogim današnjim stručnjacima (40 magisterija i doktora te specijalizacija). Veliku je pozornost posvećivala izobrazbi znanstvenih i stručnih kadrova. Organizirala je poslijediplomski studij iz parodontologije i sudjelovala u trajnoj edukaciji iz parodontologije. Za svoj rad dobila je brojna priznanja.

Profesorica Aurer ostat će nam u sjećanju kao osoba prepuna znanja koje je uvijek prenosila nama, mlađim kolegama. Rezultate koje je ostvarila trajni su i pridonijeli su kvaliteti razvoja Stomatološkog fakulteta Sveučilišta u Zagrebu i Klinici za stomatologiju KBC-a Zagreb.

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A teacher, long-time collaborator and a colleague – retired professor of the School of Dental Medicine University of Zagreb and a specialist of dental and oral pathology and periodontology, Jelena Aurer-Koželj has passed away after a long and severe illness.

She was born in Tomislavgrad (Bosnia and Herzegovina) in 1933. She graduated from the School of Medicine (dental medicine programme) in 1959, and in 1960 she started working at the School as an assistant. She was the first PhD graduate at the School of Dental Medicine in Zagreb. Her habilitation in 1968 was followed by the election for the assistant professor. In 1973 she advanced to the associate professor and in 1977 to full professor. She was a specialist of dental and oral pathology with periodontology. After the Alexander van Humboldt fellowship and a postgraduate fellowship at the Ludwig-Maximilian University in Munich, using the acquired knowledge and current trends in dentistry, she organized our modern periodontology. In 1971 she introduced periodontology as a part of the dental curriculum, established the Department of Periodontology at the School of Dental Medicine and the clinical Department for treating periodontal disease at the Dental Clinic of the Clinical Hospital Centre in Zagreb, as the first educational, scientific and clinical periodontal unit in Croatia. She was elected the first head of the departments. Additionally, she organized periodontology lectures at the School of Medicine in Rijeka for dental student, a course she was the head until 1988.

In 1980 she became WHO consultant for the Southeast Asia in the field of epidemiological research for the frequency of oral diseases. In 1988 she was elected corresponding fellow of the Croatian Academy of Sciences and Arts. She published more than 120 articles, ten books – five in authorship with others, and numerous educational texts and encyclopaedia entries. She attended many courses and congresses, both in Croatia and abroad. Professor Aurer mentored many colleagues (40 master and PhD theses and postgraduate course participants). Her attention was greatly directed towards the education of the scientific and professional staff. She organized the postgraduate course in periodontology and participated in the permanent education in the field of periodontology. Her professional activities were honoured by numerous awards.

Professor Aurer will remain in our memory as a person who always transferred her knowledge to us, younger colleagues. The results she obtained are permanent and part of the quality development of the School of Dental Medicine University of Zagreb and Dental Clinic of the Clinical Hospital Centre Zagreb.