

OBITUARIES

Clovis Bopp

1913–1984



At the age of 71 years, Professor Clovis Bopp died on 26 July 1984. He was born in Brazil in 1913, and after graduation as a medical doctor, he devoted his career to the Universidade Federal do

Rio Grande do Sul. He passed through all the stages of a university career: internship, assistant professor and, after a competition, he became Full Professor and Chairman of Dermatology. He taught 24 generations of medical doctors. In his affairs, he was strong but polite.

Besides teaching dermatology at the Medical School, he was a member of the Sociedade Brasileira de Dermatologia; he ran all its steps until reaching its Presidency in 1971. He was President of the XXVIII Brazilian Congress of Dermatology.

He was recognized as an international dermatologist due to his frequent presence in the congresses and to his interesting sci-

entific presentations. Several international societies of dermatology have made him an honorary or correspondent member such as: American Association of Dermatology, Société Française de Dermatologie, Deutsche Dermatologische Gesellschaft, Sociedade Portuguesa de Dermatologia, Sociedade Argentina de Dermatologia, and others.

As a leprologist, he was one of the most interested in the problem in Brazil. He was a member of the International Leprosy Association, and published many papers on leprosy. He was also one of the founders of the Associação Brasileira de Hansenologia.

About his social personality, I would like to emphasize two typical traits: politeness and frankness to everybody. He was a very good talker. He did not care with whom he talked. His frankness, on occasion, disquieted some people but, as a matter of fact, in the majority of cases it was the basis for a solid friendship.

He left his gentle wife Ilka, and two daughters, Marcia and Lilian, with their respective husbands, and grandchildren.

—Rubem David Azulay