

OBITUARY

Professor Subroto Sapardan

1941 - 2011



Our loving, caring teacher and colleague passed away on Saturday, July 23 2011 at Sumber Waras Hospital, Jakarta. The world of orthopaedic surgery has lost a great figure.

Professor Subroto was born on 21 September 1941 in Pematang Siantar. He attended the University of Indonesia and graduated as an Orthopaedic Surgeon on May 17, 1973. Professor Subroto was a dedicated and wonderful teacher on the Faculty of Medicine, University of Indonesia as one of his dearest motivations was to share his knowledge with others. Many awards have been given to him for his innovations such as the pedicle screw plate and sublaminar wire and device for fixation and correction of scoliosis.

Professor Subroto was a generous, warm and soft-spoken man. He was active in several professional organizations - he was President of the Indonesian Orthopaedic Association (1986-1988), President of The International College of Surgeons (ICS-Indonesian Section, 1988-1991), Vice President of the Western Pacific Orthopaedic Association (WPOA, 1989-1992), President of the ASEAN Orthopaedic Association (AOA, 1992-1993) and he was a founder of the Indonesian Pedicle Club in 1998. He authored many national and internationally recognised publications and scientific works. Professor Subroto will be remembered with affection, respect and gratitude by family, friends and colleagues.