

In memoriam of Professor Reza Fekrazad

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It is with profound sadness that I announce the passing of Professor Reza Fekrazad, an eminent researcher and teacher in the field of Laser Dentistry and Photobiomodulation, as well as a member of the Editorial Board of *Laser Therapy*. Professor Fekrazad graduated from the Dental School of Tehran University of Medical Sciences in 1997 and specialized in periodontology at Isfahan University of Medical Sciences in 2003.

He was Founder and Head of the Radiation Science Research Center at Aja University of Medical Sciences in Tehran and contributed to the development of the Laser Research Center of Dentistry at Tehran University of Medical Sciences. For many years, he served as President of the Iranian Medical Laser Association and contributed, through his scientific and clinical activity, to spreading knowledge of laser technology in medicine and dentistry all over the world. He published more than 300 scientific papers.

Throughout his career, he held important positions in leading international scientific societies, such as the World Federation for Laser Dentistry (WFLD), the World Association for Laser Therapy, and the International Society for Oral Laser Applications (SOLA).

I first met Prof. Fekrazad when I served as Treasurer of the WFLD, under the presidency of Prof. Rocca, while he represented his country, Iran, on the Board. We soon established a good relationship, which over time developed into a strong friendship. We conducted several research projects together and co-authored a number of papers. He chaired the SOLA Congress held in Tehran in 2017, where I participated as an invited speaker. His excellent organization and generous hospitality were appreciated by all the participants. Beyond his extensive scientific knowledge and clinical experience, he was a truly good and wise person.

On behalf of the *Laser Therapy* Scientific Board, I extend my prayer and deepest condolences to Professor Fekrazad's family, particularly to his wife, Dr. Katayoun A. M. Kalhori.

Rest in peace, my dear friend Reza. I will miss you dearly.



Prof. Fekrazad (far left) and his wife, Dr. Kalhori (center), at the 2017 SOLA Congress in Tehran, Iran.

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