

Obituary

Dr. Domingos Marques

Dr. Domingos Marques, Anesthetic-in-Chief and Head of Anaesthetics Department, Hospital Geral de Santo António, Porto, Portugal, died on the 3rd of March 2005. He was a pioneer of ambulatory anaesthesia in Portugal, developing one of the first day surgery units of the country. He was a founder associate of the Portuguese Association of Ambulatory Surgery (APCA), where he served as Vice-President till the day he died. He was Editor-in-Chief of the Portuguese day surgery journal called *Revista Portuguesa de Cirurgia Ambulatória*, official clinical journal of the APCA. He was also one of the APCA delegates at the International Association for Ambulatory Surgery (IAAS) since 1998.

During his lifetime he made national and international contributions in many field of the anaesthesiology becoming a very respected Portuguese anaesthesiologist among his peers.

Man of outstanding capacity from the professional or personal point of view, as a leadership, as a fellow-soldier

fighting causes (as day surgery, emergency, teaching residents, . . .), as a friend. All IAAS members that have met him at the meetings will remember his kindness and dedication. Friends and colleagues will miss forever his friendship.

The Portuguese Anaesthesiology and the Portuguese and International Ambulatory Surgery Communities are in deep mourning, and a feeling of meaningless took our souls. We hope, at least, that the work left by Dr. Domingos Marques be followed by his peers.

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