In Memoriam Gérard Siest

As an extremely hardworking person Prof. Gérard Siest was well known to the scientific community as author of more than 800 publications in peer reviewed journals and his work was honoured by 27 awards from 16 different countries. He was strongly involved in activities of many international and European professional societies and editorial boards. He served as President of the IFCC from 1991 until 1996. Since 2011, he dedicated his life to the development of the European Society of Pharmacogenetics and Personalised Therapy (ESPT), which under his inspired leadership has gained worldwide visibility, and which is now an important scientific stakeholder in the field of pharmacogenomics and personalised medicine.

Gérard’s sudden death leaves a huge gap in the ESPT community. We will miss him sorely, for many reasons, including his tireless enthusiasm, and in particular for his visionary leadership in implementing pharmacogenomics into clinical practice.

The members of the ESPT Executive Board deeply mourn an outstanding person and send their sincerest condolences to his family.

Vangelis G. Manolopoulos
Ron H.N. van Schaik
Sophie Visvikis-Siest
Janja Marc
Maurizio Simmaco
Peter Jacobs
Ingolf Cascorbi
Marc Ansari
Adrian LLerena