



**Marcos Rojkind MD, PhD
(1935-2011)**

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We have received the sad news about the death of our colleague and friend Marcos Rojkind. As President of the ISHSR and on behalf of the Council members and all the ISHSR members, I would like to express and announce our sadness for this major loss.

Marcos, a native of Mexico, was a physician and scientist with an original personality and creative ideas whose moral qualities have been of great significance for our scientific community. He was a pioneer in liver fibrosis research. Based on the words of his fellows (more than 60), he was an outstanding teacher and mentor. For many of them he was a father. Marcos was and will be regarded as a gentleman and a man of wisdom and humility. Besides his sweetness, free spirit, and creative nature, Marcos was a fighter for what he believed and loved. At age 76 he was still holding two R01 NIH grants and had just resubmitted the competitive renewal for one. As Natalia Nieto (Mount Sinai, NY) stated in a commemorative message “Marcos died with his boots on.”

We all will miss seeing Marcos at meetings. We will miss his science and we will miss his smile and the moustaches that made him the happy Albert Einstein of Hepatology.

Adios Marcos!

Massimo Pinzani
ISHSR President