

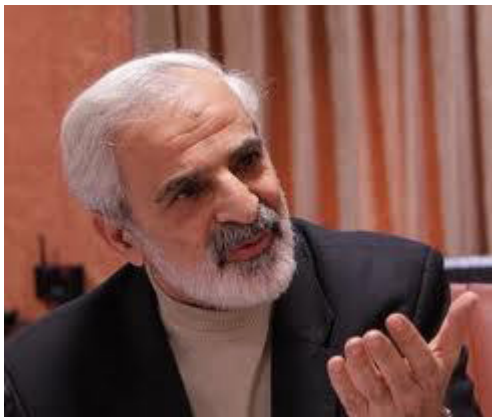
Prof. Dr. Mohammad Mehdi Esfahani (1945-2017)

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Prof. Dr. Mohammad Mehdi Esfahani

Prof. Dr. Mohammad Mehdi Esfahani was one of the most outstanding scientific figures in the fields of nutrition, traditional medicine, history of medicine and in particular as an ethics teacher in Iran. He had a great role in developing Persian Medicine as a field of traditional and integrative medicine in Iranian universities and founded PhD courses of “Traditional Medicine and Pharmacy” in Iranian medical education system. He, also, wrote the curriculum of “History of Medicine” for the Master of Science and PhD courses. He was a beloved teacher among his pupils and colleagues. We lost him in Apr 12, 2017 and it was a terrible saddening shock for Iranian scientific society, in particular tradi-

tional medicine and history of medicine.

Prof. Esfahani was born in 1945 in Tehran. He had a PhD in the field of Health Sciences and became full professor in Tehran University of Medical Sciences. He was also the member of Academy of Medical Sciences of I.R. Iran. Prof. Esfahani wrote about 40 papers and 45 books and had a great attempt to survive historical medical manuscripts and documents. He republished more than hundreds titles of Persian Medicine manuscripts for the use of the students and researchers in the fields of traditional medicine and pharmacy as well as history of medicine. Prof. Esfahani received the title of the Distinguished Professor of the Country in 2011 and received the award of Medical Ethics in Avicenna’s Festival in 2012, as well as many other national awards during his academic life. Unfortunately, he passed away in Apr 12, 2017 and was buried in warriors segment in Behesht Zahra Cemetery of Tehran. Hundreds of people including his students, outstanding scientific scholars and even politicians participated in his funeral. May his soul rest in peace.

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