

Homenaje al Dr. FRANCISCO JOSÉ MARTÍNEZ TELLO,  
Jefe del Departamento de Anatomía Patológica del Hospital Universitario 12 de Octubre, en su 70 cumpleaños



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Dear Dr. Martinez-Tello:

I want to take this opportunity to congratulate you for an outstanding career and especially to thank you for your years of dedicated and loyal service to the medical community which you have served with distinction.

Can you believe we have been working together for the International Academy of Pathology for over 12 years? There is a saying that time flies when you're having fun; but I know during that time there was also hard work and sometimes even frustration. One of the many things that I appreciate about you is your cheerful and sincere offers to assist. I cannot remember a single incidence during the time I worked with you as Secretary of the IAP that I didn't receive a cheerful assist to any request I sent your way.

I also want to commend you for originating the idea of the IAP Vice Presidents working in a regional manner and representing a grouping of countries clustered near the division to which the VP is a member. This has worked extremely well for providing broad based representation to the Executive.

You have been an extremely dependable member of the team. I don't think you have missed a single meeting of the Executive Committee since I have known you. Although your methods are low key, your impact is great.

Again, many congratulations on a most successful and commendable career.

With warm regards,

Florabel G. Mullick, MD, ScD, FCAP  
Senior Executive Service  
The Director, AFIP  
and President-Elect, International Academy of Pathology

Ulm, 6th August 2007

Dear Mr. Martinez:

It makes me happy to know that, after so long and successful professional activity, you now come to your well-deserved retirement. On your 70th Birthday wish I you all the best!

When I think back of the common years spent in Bonn Pathological Institute (1965-1967), I still perfectly remind how you and Herwig Hamperl so many times with your substantiated and precise questions challenged me. Many other things I forgot, except your passion for a meticulous histopathology diagnosis.

Surely that passion continued for a lifetime. Therefore I would like to dedicate to you a copy of my last scientific work: "Berno Heymer, Clinical and Diagnostic Pathology of Graft-versus-Host disease, Springer-Verlag, Berlin, Heidelberg, 2002"

With my best regards,

**Prof. Dr. med. Berno Heymer**  
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Ulm, den 6.8.2007

Lieber Herr Martinez:

Es freut mich, daß Sie nach so langer und erfolgreicher beruflicher Tätigkeit nun Ihrem wohlverdienten Ruhestand entgegensehen. Zu Ihrem 70. Geburtstag wünsche ich Ihnen Glück und Gesundheit!

Wenn ich an die gemeinsamen Jahre im Pathologischen Institut in Bonn (1965-1967) zurückdenke, dann erinnere ich mich noch gut daran wie Sie Herwig Hamperl so manches Mal mit Ihren wohl begründeten, präzisen Fragen herausforderten. Vieles andere habe ich vergessen, nicht aber Ihre Leidenschaft für eine akribische histopathologische Diagnostik.

Ich bin sicher das hat ein Leben lang angehalten. Deshalb widme ich Ihnen ein Exemplar meiner letzten wissenschaftlichen Arbeit: "Berno Heymer, Clinical and Diagnostic Pathology of Graft-versus-Host disease, Springer-Verlag, Berlin, Heidelberg, 2002"

Mit herzlichen Grüßen

**Prof. Dr. med. Berno Heymer**  
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One of my first trips to Europe was to Madrid. It was in the 1980's. Since then, I have been back many times, sometimes with my wife and a couple of times with Dr. Dahlin and his wife, Helen. I met Paco during all of these trips and he was my host the very first time I went. I also remember that I got sick during one of those trips and Paco and Javier and I went around looking for antibiotics on a Sunday. Paco and I became good friends over of the years and he has helped me by taking part in several slide seminars organized by the International Academy of Pathology.

During my long association with Paco, it was obvious to me that he was well-liked by everybody who knew him. I wish Paco all the best in his retirement.

Sincerely,

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