



## Prof. Dr. Eduardo Fernández Rostello

It is difficult to define a master in simple words. It is a person who is fully committed to their work and derives satisfaction from it. An individual who consistently supports and celebrates the achievements of students — from the youngest to the oldest —, even when they are already spreading their own wings. There is no better representative of a master than Professor Doctor Eduardo Fernández Rostello, who recently passed away, but whose legacy will remain forever.

He had the wisdom to simplify complex concepts. One could identify cases of transposition of the great arteries, single ventricle or scimitar syndrome in daily practice thanks to his explanations in class. We are indebted to him for his famous phrases such as: “Doctor, that is not a large atrium, but rather an *auriculón*”, or his motivational phrase: “I know you can do it, doctor,” and his unforgettable funny descriptions: “Watch doctor, that is a *valvulón*”. All of this will remain forever in the memories of the hundreds of students who attended his classes in the UBA, SAC, AMA and *Hospital Rivadavia*, as well as in all other places where he gave his utmost in his master classes.

He held the most senior roles in the organizations where he worked. Professor at the UBA, Doctor of Medicine, Director of Hospital, Director of the UBA SAC Echocardiography Update Course, President of the Scientific Committee of the SAC Imaging Congress, Director of the ECO-SAC journal, and numerous other positions. However, it is likely that we will all remember him most of all for his most distinguished title: “the best friend”.

We cannot deny the profound sadness we feel at his physical departure. His absence will be irreplaceable. However, his imprint will endure among all of us who knew him, within the beloved Argentine Society of Cardiology, to which he gave so much, and in the loving family he built with his wife.

We will always remember him and honor his mem-

ory by striving to follow in his footsteps. Farewell, dear Eduardo!

**Members of the “Dr. Oscar Orías” Council of Echocardiography and Vascular Ultrasound and authorities of the SAC Echocardiography Courses.**

### To our friend Eduardo Fernández Rostello

“When a friend leaves...” The verse from Alberto Cortes’ song that continues with ...” an empty space is left behind” has never been so real and true.

I met Dr. Eduardo Fernandez Rostello in the SAC, mainly in the Council of Doppler Echocardiography during the late 1990s. I was fortunate to share with him many moments, both in our professional lives and in everyday settings. But I do not want to refer to his well-known professional merits and achievements, but rather to his profile as a human being and friend. He was an endearing, affectionate, and respectful person with excellent common sense and a special sense of humor that strengthened our mutual affinity. He was the eternal presenter of my Normal Echo classes at the SAC course, and he always ended with a friendly and funny joke that involved both of us. Despite the limitations of distance and differing work schedules, we maintained a beautiful and cordial friendship. Our common interests included medicine, teaching, and, undoubtedly, humor.

I would like to remember Eduardo for his exceptional personal qualities. He was an excellent person, a great friend, a solid professional, and a loved one who will remain in my memory and surely in the memory of many others. My respectful and sincere condolences to all his family.

Today, an empty space is left behind... May you rest in peace, Eduardo!

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