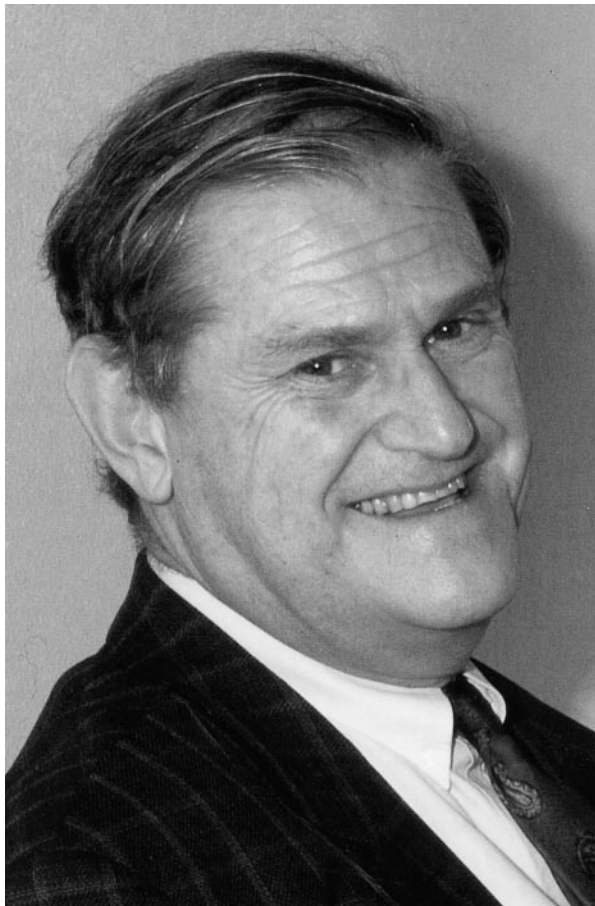


*Obituary*

**Hervé Favre**



At the end of November 1999, Professor Hervé Favre died after an acute illness, at the age of 62.

Hervé Favre had many friends among us and was well known to the international nephrological community. After training in Internal Medicine and Nephrology with Prof. R. S. Mach in Geneva, he

worked successively with Prof. J. Hamburger in Paris, H. de Wardener in London and N. Bricker in New York. Returning to Geneva, he was nominated first Privat-Docent then Adjunct-Professor and later Professor of Nephrology. He had just taken over the direction of the Division of Nephrology at the University Hospital, following the retirement of Prof. M. Leski.

Hervé Favre was member of the Conseil d'Administration of the Société de Néphrologie from 1982 to 1990 and president of the Swiss Society of Nephrology in 1994–1995. On an urgent basis, he organized, in September 1997, the ERA–EDTA annual meeting in Geneva.

Hervé Favre was remarkably successful in being able to combine the three aspects of an academic career: he was an experienced and respected clinician, a clear and convincing teacher (his energy and stentorian voice at scientific meetings will be remembered by all of us) and his research, principally devoted to the mechanisms of sodium reabsorption along the renal tubule, was marked by prestigious presentations, publications and grants.

That he was, in addition, elected as president of the Ethics Committee of the Department of Internal Medicine at the Geneva University Hospital, of the Conseil de l'Université and later of its Academic Council, illustrates both his outstanding dedication and his charismatic personality.

All the nephrological community, along with his many friends and colleagues, mourn his passing and extend their deepest sympathy to his wife Isabelle and their three adult children.

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