



Prof. Lluís Callis
17th March 1933 - 29th March 2020

We are very sad to [announce the death of Professor Lluís Callis](#) on March 29, 2020 at the age of 87, following a COVID19 infection. He completed his training in Paris from 1960 to 1962 in the Professor Pierre Royer's unit at the Necker-Enfants Malades Hospital where he acquired deep knowledge and motivation that allowed him to return to Barcelona to develop in Hospital Vall D'Hebron the first pediatric nephrology department in Spain.

In 1967, he was one of the founding members of the European Society for Pediatric Nephrology (ESPN), in the 1st Meeting. In 1970, he was the first in Spain to develop hemodialysis in children, and later they also began kidney transplants. In 1973, he was one of the founding members of Spanish Society of Pediatric Nephrology and the first President. His knowledge was open to many of the pediatric nephrologists of our country and abroad that trained in his service. He shared his knowledge and fostered the training with his bi-annual pediatric nephrology course in Vall D'Hebron Hospital. His contribution to the development of kidney disease knowledge is reflected in numerous scientific publications. His research is reflected in numerous scientific publications.

His way of being and acting is reflected in the recommendation he gave to young pediatric nephrologists in the video commemorating the 50th anniversary of the founding of ESPN: *"the patient was not as a result of the sum of analytical and radiological images, but rather as a human being"*.

Rest in peace

Mar Espino-Hernández
President of Spanish Association of Pediatric Nephrology
