

In Memoriam
Hasan Yersiz, MD
Professor of Surgery

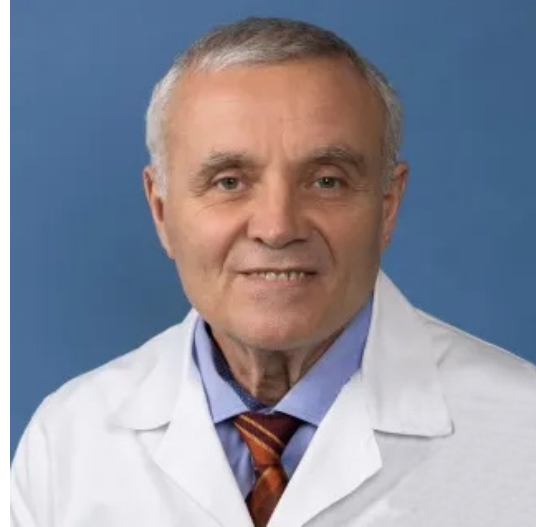
I would like to express my great sorrow on the loss of our dearest friend Hasan Yersiz. He was a recognized national and international scientist, a transplant surgeon, an esteemed colleague and a true friend to many of us in the field of transplantation.

Our dear friend, Professor Yersiz, passed away suddenly due to natural causes at the age of 66 on Friday, September 8, 2023. As a Professor of Clinical and Surgery, he will be recognized with his contributions and commitment to academic medicine and clinical research.

He was born in Ankara, Turkey on August 30, 1957. Professor Yersiz received his medical degree from Istanbul University Faculty of Medicine in 1981 and completed his surgical residency at the same university in 1986. Following his training, he travelled to United States of America and completed a Surgery Fellowship at the University of Wisconsin Hospitals and Clinics in 1991, and a Transplant Hepatology Fellowship at the UCLA School of Medicine, between years 1992 and 1994.

He served as the Director of Organ Transplant Unit at the University of California, Los Angeles. His transplant surgical service spanned more than 20 years. Throughout his career, he worked endlessly and mentored countless students, residents, and fellows. He thrived on caring for patients and watching them lead healthy and longer lives.

Our friendship with Professor Yersiz goes back a long way and he has shown on many occasions that he is a true friend that you can rely on. In addition to our friendship, we had collaborated with Professor Yersiz for so many years and I had the opportunity of welcoming him to Turkey on several meetings of the Turkish Transplantation



Society (TOND) and Middle East Society for Organ Transplantation (MESOT) and it has been a privilege to know him since many years.

He will be deeply missed by all of us and I send my heartfelt condolences to his family. May God have his soul rest in peace.



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