

FOR THE 85TH BIRTH ANNIVERSARY

OF LEONID MIKHAYLOVICH

ROSHAL



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This year marks the 85th birth anniversary of the world-famous Russian physician, Leonid Mikhaylovich Roshal. This amazing person could not only gain deep respect from his colleagues and authorities, he became a truly popular doctor of the country, who managed to make a profession chosen by him honorable.

Leonid Mikhaylovich was born on April 27, 1933 in the town of Livna, Oryol region.

He was predicted the future of the military, but in 1957 he graduated from the Pediatric Faculty of the N.I. Pirogov Second MOLGMI and began his career as a community pediatrician. In 1959-1961 he studied in residency at the Department of Children's Surgery of COLIAMS. In 1962, Leonid Mikhaylovich began to work at the Department of Pediatric Surgery of MRRCI, first as a junior, and since 1965 as a senior researcher, where he organized the Moscow Regional Center for Surgery in Newborns. In 1981 he became the head of the Department of Emergency Surgery and Childhood Injury of the Research Institute of Pediatrics of the USSR Academy of Medical Sciences.

In parallel, L.M. Roshal conducted an active scientific work: in 1964 he defended his thesis "Acute Intussusception of Intestines in Children", and in 1970 he prepared a doctoral thesis "Long-term Results of Unilateral Operations on the Lungs in Children." In 1982, Leonid Mikhaylovich was awarded the title of professor.

In recent years, his scientific research has focused on new directions of emergency abdominal surgery, traumatology and neurosurgery.

He became the founder of a scientific school in pediatric surgery to develop conservative methods for the treatment of surgical diseases requiring early surgical intervention. The results of this work are reflected in the pages of textbooks and manuals on pediatric surgery and still widely used in practice.

L.M. Roshal has more than 250 scientific publications, including 7 monographs and manuals, several methodological recommendations, and 8 certificates for inventions. Under the guidance of professor L.M. Roshal prepared and defended 25 theses. L.M. Roshal is a member of editorial boards of a number of major specialized publications, including our Journal. Since 2016 he has been heading the magazine "Children's Surgery".

Only thanks to Leonid Mikhaylovich it became possible to create a unique medical center with the widest possibilities of providing specialized help to children in urgent conditions, the Scientific Research Institute of Urgent Pediatric Surgery and Traumatology.

One can not help noticing the volunteer work of Leonid Mikhaylovich together with civic position brought him worldwide fame. Personal qualities of L.M. Roshal do not allow him to be indifferent to tragedy and injustice. Thanks to him, hundreds of children were saved in terrorist attacks, catastrophes and wars. He and his team are always at the center of the most dangerous situations. The so-called "flying" brigades of physicians created by Leonid Mikhaylovich provide the most highly qualified help to children not only in our country, but also far beyond its borders. But L.M. Roshal is so attentive not only to his patients, but also to his colleagues. He organized and headed the National Medical Chamber, which brought together a large number of doctors and specialized communities to

protect the professional interests of medical workers. Courage, spirit, authority and dedication of the scientist influenced and continue to influence the adoption of important decisions, including governmental ones.

Few can compete with Leonid Mikhaylovich to participate in working for such a large number of public organizations: the Presidential Council for the Promotion of Civil Society Institutions and Human Rights, the World Health Organization, and the SAMU SOCIAL INTERNATIONAL Foundation (Moscow), and the Community of Children's Surgeons and Pediatricians in Russia, Great Britain, and the International Charity Fund for Children in Catastrophes and Wars, the Interdepartmental Commission dealing with urgent issues in children, the All-Russian Union of public association "Civil Society for the Children of Russia", the World Association of Emergency and Disaster Medicine (WADEM) and others.

Merits of L.M. Roshal are marked with more than 35 state and public awards, including the Order of Merit for the Fatherland, IV degree, Courage and Honor.

The editorial staff of the Journal wishes Leonid Mikhaylovich strong health, long life and new significant achievements in his professional work!