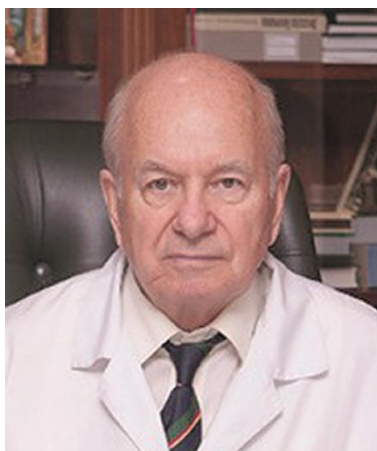


FOR THE 80TH BIRTH ANNIVERSARY OF ALEKSANDR FYODOROVICH CHERNOUSOV



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Honored Scientist of the Russian Federation

One of the most prominent figures of Russian science, Aleksandr Chernousov, Member of the Russian Academy of Sciences, marks a significant date this year: on May, 23 he turned 80.

Aleksandr Fyodorovich, a native of the Kalinin region, began his medical path in the General Medicine Faculty of the Gorky Medical Institute, and graduated with honors in 1961. Then he worked as a surgeon for a year in the district hospital, but in 1962 decided to continue his education and entered the residency of the Surgical Clinic No. 1, I.M. Sechenov MMA. A.F. Chernousov gave the next 40 years of his professional activity to the Russian Scientific Center of Surgery of the Russian Academy of Medical Sciences, where he passed from the resident doctor to the head of the Department of Thoracic and Abdominal Surgery.

A.F. Chernousov defended his thesis for the degree of Candidate of Medical Sciences "Short Esophagus" in 1965, and in 1973 Aleksandr Fyodorovich defended his doctoral thesis "Stenosing Reflux Esophagitis."

His accumulated experience in treatment for esophagus and stomach is worldwide approved. Several original methods for the surgical treatment of malignant and benign diseases of the esophagus, cancer and peptic ulcer of the stomach and duodenum, diseases of the operated stomach and esophagus, artificial esophagus, reflux esophagitis and neuromuscular diseases of the esophagus were proposed and introduced immediately. New directions of scientific research on rational use of molecular biology and regenerative medicine achievements in surgical practice, introduction of new achievements in immunomodulation of reparative processes in surgery, and active use of laparoscopic technologies in thoracoabdominal surgery and oncology were also outlined. A.F. Chernousov became a classic of surgical gastroenterology during his lifetime.

A.F. Chernousov has published more than 350 scientific papers, including 23 patents and inventor's certificates for inventions, 17 monographs, including "Esophagus Plasty in Cancer and Benign Strictures" (1990); "Laser Scalpel in the Surgery of Esophagus and Stomach" (1992); "Differential Diagnosis in Diseases of the Esophagus" (1993); "Preventive Maintenance of Infectious Complications after Esophagoplasty and Gastrectomy" (1996), "Esophageal Surgery" (2000), etc. His monograph "Gastric Cancer Surgery" (2006) was awarded the prize of the Russian Academy of Sciences. His atlas "Chirurgie des esophagus. Operationsatlas» published in Germany is especially valuable.

In 1995, Aleksandr Fyodorovich was elected a corresponding member of the Russian Academy of Medical Sciences, became a full member of the Russian Academy of Medical Science in 2005, and in 2013 he became an academician of the Russian Academy of Sciences.

A.F. Chernousov created a major scientific school for surgery. His students work not only in the best institutions of Russia, but also in the CIS countries. With the advice and guidance of A.F. Chernousov, 27 doctoral and more than 80 candidate theses were defended.

In 2003, A.F. Chernousov became the head of the Department of Hospital Surgery No. 1 of the Medical Faculty of the I.M. Sechenov FMSMU, and in 2006 he headed the N.N. Burdenko Department and the Clinic of the Faculty Surgery of this University.

The authority of academician A.F. Chernousov is recognized in the world and has allowed him to become an active member of the Russian section of the International College of Surgeons, an honorary member of the German surgical society, and also to hold the post of co-chairman of the All-Russian Society of Surgeons-Gastroenterologists (ARSSG).

Aleksandr Fyodorovich is the head of the journal "Reporter of Surgical Gastroenterology", and also works in the editorial boards of such publications as "Surgery", "Thoracic and Cardiovascular Surgery", "Annals of Surgery" and "Clinical Medicine".

Contribution of A.F. Chernousov in the national healthcare is noted at the state level: he was awarded the Order of Honor and "For Merits to the Fatherland" III and IV degrees, medals, the title "Honored Scientist of the Russian Federation".

Editorial Board of N.V. Sklifosovsky's "Emergency Medical Care" congratulates the legendary surgeon on his landmark anniversary and wishes him a lot of energy for the successful implementation of new plans.