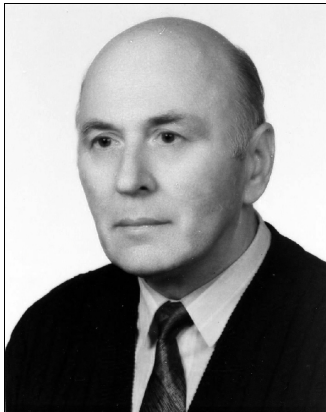


In commemoration of Professor Eugeniusz Jagoszewski



*Professor Eugeniusz Jagoszewski passed away on July 4, 2023 at the age of 94 years. He was one of the pioneers of research in the field of optics at the Faculty of Fundamental Problems of Technology, Wrocław University of Science and Technology, Poland, associated for many years with the *Optica Applicata* journal as the chairman of the Editorial Board.*

He received an engineer's degree in physics at the Nicolaus Copernicus University in Toruń in 1953 and a MS degree in the field of optical constructions at the Faculty of Mechanical Engineering of Wrocław University of Science and Technology in 1956. Throughout his professional life, he was associated with Wrocław University of Science and Technology. In 1954, he began his academic career at the Department of Physics,

where he received subsequent scientific degrees in technical sciences: doctorate in 1962, habilitation in 1967, the title of full professor in 1991, and finally retired at 2006.

His scientific activity was focused on theoretical problems related to the methods of designing optical systems, criteria for evaluation of imaging quality, optimization of optical systems for specific purposes, and the study of holographic imaging systems. He was also involved in more utilitarian activities, such as the construction of optical systems for specific applications, including lenses for expanding laser beams, telescopic, photographic, and projection lenses as well as ultrasonic optical holography systems. He authored many scientific publications, five monographs on Fourier optics, holography, and holographic optical elements. He was the promoter of 8 doctorates in the field of optics, including three from abroad.

In 1964, he obtained a one-year scholarship at the Institute of Optics of the University of Rochester (NY, USA), where he was involved in the design of optical systems. He held many responsible academic positions, including the head of the Department of Optical Systems (1970–1975), vice-dean of the Faculty of Fundamental Problems of Technology (1968–1975), deputy director (1975–1978 and 1984–1987) and director (1987–1991) of the Institute of Physics at the Wrocław University of Science and Technology. He also headed Physics Seminar (1982–1984) and was a chairman of the Wrocław Branch of Polish Physical Society (1985–1987).

For his achievements, Professor Eugeniusz Jagoszewski was awarded the Golden Cross of Merit (1974), the Golden Badge of the Wrocław University of Science and Technology (1976), the Knight's Cross of the Order of Polonia Restituta (1984), the Officer's Cross of the Order of Polonia Restituta (1999), and the Medal of the Commission of National Education (1993).

*Professor Eugeniusz Jagoszewski made a major contribution to the development of scientific research in the field of optics at Wrocław University of Science and Technology. With his passing, we lost an outstanding scientist, a valued academic teacher, and a great friend of the *Optica Applicata* journal.*

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