



## Professor Dr. Maria de los Angeles Costa (1964-2014)

Director of the Argentine Council of Arterial Hypertension  
“Dr Eduardo Braun Menéndez” - Argentine Society of Cardiology

A brilliant young devoted disciple, a generous collaborator and especially a great friend has died.

Angeles was Professor of Physiology at the Facultad de Farmacia y Bioquímica of the Universidad de Buenos Aires and independent researcher of CONICET.

This year she had been awarded the position of Director of the Council, which filled her with pride, and she was dedicating all her energy in meeting the objectives proposed. She was also a member of the Executive Committees of the Argentine Society of Hypertension and the Argentine Society of Physiology.

She devoted much of her life to her professional career, starting as a student and arriving on her own merits to the position of assistant professor. As a teacher she distinguished herself among her colleagues and was permanently recognized by her students who regarded her as a person who understood their problems and difficulties, trying to help them with generous dedication. She continuously trained herself in University education and new teaching technologies her contribution being essential in the educational Department of Physiology.

As a researcher she was mainly devoted to the study of the regulatory mechanisms of blood pressure and hypertension and was distinguished for her

extensive scientific production. Her works were published in important national and international journals, and also recognized with awards from various scientific societies. She determinedly worked in the training of human resources; these researchers continued their career in universities in Argentina and abroad and in the private sector.

She also multiplied her hours to raise a family with impressive dedication; she was an excellent mother of two daughters, who were her pride and concern.

Life did not give her the opportunity to fulfill all she had planned.

Today I am writing these lines, with amazement and sadness. To say farewell, especially to someone always willing to support me in all my projects and basically to a friend is not easy. All who knew her will miss her smile, her enthusiasm, her humor, her good will.

She will always remain alive in the memory of those of us who shared with her everyday work in the lab, in the university, and in the different scientific fields in which she participated and where many had the opportunity to know her and love her.

**Cristina Arranz**