

In memoriam

Professor Slavko Crnčević, PhD

1940–2023



Professor Slavko Crnčević was born on December 7 1940, in Metković, Republic of Croatia. He went to primary school in Metković and finished the secondary agricultural school in Čapljina (BiH) in 1963. He enrolled at the Faculty of Agriculture in Novi Sad in the study programme of Crop Science, and graduated in 1969. Further, he obtained a master's degree at the Faculty of Agriculture in Novi Sad in 1979, in the Soils and Plant Nutrition group, defending his master's thesis entitled "Changing plant species on salt marshes depending on the degree of humidity and salinity".

Professor Crnčević received his doctorate in 1988 at the Faculty of Sciences in Novi Sad, with the dissertation entitled "Characteristics of the weedy vegetation of the Srem orchard with special reference to the influence of environmental factors".

He was employed at the Faculty of Agriculture in 1970 as a professional associate on the subject of Botany.

With the reorganization of the University of Novi Sad in 1977, he moved to the Institute of Biology of the Faculty of Sciences in Novi Sad, where he was engaged in practical teaching in the subjects of Botany and Plant Ecology. In 1990, he was appointed Assistant professor, and in 1990 he also gave theoretical classes on the subject of Botany to students of the Faculty of Agriculture.

He was elected to the position of Associate professor in 1995 at the Faculty of Sciences in Novi Sad.

With the reorganization of the University in 1996 he returned to the Faculty of Agriculture, where he was elected Full professor in 2001.

As author and co-author Prof. Dr. Slavko Crnčević published over 40 scientific papers, ten of which are chapters in monographs.

He is the author of the monograph entitled "Weed Vegetation of the Fruška Gora Orchard", published in 1994 by Matica Srpska Department of Natural Sciences, and co-author of the monograph "Rice", published in 1998 by the University of Novi Sad, Faculty of Agriculture and Institute for Water Management. In co-authorship, he also published: Auxiliary textbook of botany (1995), Botany – auxiliary textbook for students of the Faculty of Agriculture (1998) and Botany: cytology, histology, seed organography, plant propagation and systematics of Magnoliophyta (2002).

He retired in 2006.

In addition to the facts related to his professional career, in his private life Prof. Dr. Slavko Crnčević showed great courage and dedication by raising three underage children by himself after the untimely death of his wife.

In relations with colleagues and peers, I would like to point out the respect for others and, above all, the cheerful spirit and optimism that adorned him, for which we will forever remember him.

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