LÁSZLÓ JÓZSEF CSERNOCH

*László József Csernoch* graduated from *Debreceni Kossuth Lajos Tudományegyetem* [*Lajos Kossuth* University of Arts and Sciences, Debrecen] in 1985 as a physicist. Following his graduation, he was employed by *Debreceni Orvostudományi Egyetem Élettani Intézet* [Department of Physiology of Debrecen Medical University] as a research assistant. He was promoted to teaching assistant in 1992, assistant professor in 1993 and associate professor in 1998. He defended his CSc dissertation in 1990 and completed his habilitation process in 2001. He earned the title Doctor of the Hungarian Academy of Sciences (DSc HAS) in 2001. As of July 1, 2005, he was appointed Director of the Department of Physiology and, since September 1, 2005, he has been a full professor.

Upon starting to work, he immediately joined the teaching staff at the institute to give practical classes (1988-), lectures and exams (1994-). Currently, he teaches students of medicine, dentistry, pharmacy and molecular biology both in the English and in the Hungarian programs. He has been responsible for the institute academic affairs in the pharmacy program and the head of the MSc program in biomedicine. He has taken an active part in the doctoral programs since 1994. He is a founding member of the doctoral school *Debreceni Egyetem Molekuláris Orvostudományi Doktori Iskola* [of molecular medicine] and a member of *Debreceni Egyetem Informatikai Doktori Iskola* [of information science]. Since 2010, he has been the head of *Molekuláris Orvostudományi Doktori Iskola*. So far, fourteen Ph.D. dissertations, twenty-five *TDK* [Student Academic Research Society] papers and thirteen theses have been completed under his supervision. At present, he is still the supervisor for several Ph.D. and SARS students.

Between 2000 and 2013, he has participated in the direct control and management of the teaching responsibilities at the Faculty of Medicine, starting out as the Secretary of the Committee on Education. In 2004, he was elected Deputy Dean for General Affairs of the Faculty of Medicine. Between 2007 and 2013, he acted as Dean of the Faculty of Medicine. Since 2013, he has been the Vice Rector for Academic affairs of the University of Debrecen.

In the summer of 1990, he won a two-year post-doctoral fellowship grant from Muscular Dystrophy Association (USA). He has been repeatedly invited to teach as a guest professor to institutions in France (Claude Bernard University, Lyon), the United States (Rush Medical University, Chicago; Rutgers University, Piscataway) and Australia (University of Queensland, Brisbane). He is also an honorary professor of Jiangsu University (PRC). He has been frequently asked to participate in Ph.D. and habilitation processes abroad. In 2005, he was the chair of the organizing committee for European Muscle Research Conference. Apart from heading the electrophysiology working group, he initiated quite a number of international academic cooperation projects. In the framework of the latter, several research partners have visited the Department of Physiology from France, Sweden and Australia.

*László József Csernoch* actively participates in the public life of the University of Debrecen and in that of the Faculty of Medicine. He contributes to the work done in several committees. Since 2013, he has been chairing the University Doctoral and Habilitation Council, the Academic Council and the Talent Council.

His academic achievements have been summed up in six book chapters or sections and in more than 160 English-language publications. He is a member of the editorial board of several academic journals and periodicals. He also holds positions in a number of academic and scientific societies: he has been a member of *Magyar Élettani Társaság* [Hungarian Physiological Society] since 1988 and its president between 2014 and 2018. He became a member of the following societies in the year given in brackets: American Biophysical Society (1990), UK’s The Physiological Society (2006), *Magyar Biofizikai Társaság* [Hungarian Biophysical Society] (2010) and *Magyar Sporttudományi Társaság* [Hungarian Society of Sport Science] (2015). He also chairs *DAB Sejt- és Molekuláris Élettani Munkabizottság* [Cell and Molecular Physiology Working Committee of Debrecen Academic Committee]. In 2007, he was elected a member of *MAB Biológiai tudományi képzési ági bizottság* [Biology Program Branch Committee of Hungarian Accreditation Committee]. In 2014, he was elected Chair of - *Országos Doktori Tanács* [Hungarian Doctoral Council]. Since 2015, he has worked in the management of International Union of Physiological Sciences as a member of The Board of the General Assembly (IUPS BGA).