

In memoriam of Webster S. S. Jee

It is with great sorrow that we learned of the passing away of Webster S. S. Jee, well known to all founding members of the International Society of Musculoskeletal and Neuronal Interactions (ISMNI), and bone-oriented scientists, earlier this year.

"Web" was part of the first scientific meetings that George Lyritis organized in Greece in the late 90s, gathering pioneers of the bone-muscle-nerve interplay from around the world. Together with George Lyritis he launched JMNI in 2000, undertaking the critical role of Co-Editor-in-Chief, in charge of submissions from the Americas.

With his high intellectual standards and personal hard work, Web demanded the best output from all of us that were fortunate to collaborate with him. His dedication to the Journal, which was in addition to his main job as Professor of Anatomy and Radiobiology at the University of Utah, was instrumental. Web endeavoured to make it known to his large scientific network that included outstanding researchers in the field of bone. From this network of distinguished colleagues, he achieved the attraction of significant reviews and original articles of high quality and importance, contributing to JMNI's prominence in its field and becoming indexed in PubMed in 2004, reaching an impact factor of 2.45. His vast personal experience as an author of many articles and books was invaluable to the Journal throughout his term as Co-Editor-in-Chief.

In addition to his significant intellectual and scientific qualities, Web will be remembered for his kindness, grace, lovely sense of humour and athletic lifestyle. With his pioneering ideas, he was an invigorating mentor to many young colleagues, steering them wisely and generously in their scientific development.

Dear Web, you will be respectfully remembered by many as the embodiment of the Latin phrase "mens sana in corpore sano". May you be content with your significant accomplishments and rest in peace.

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