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A supplement to volume 45 of this journal was dedicated to him on the occasion of his 75th birthday, including a large list of his valuable scientific publications, next to a large number of research papers in the field of Physiology written by disciples, collaborators and friends, who desired to pay to the scholar, scientist and friend a tribute of acknowledgement and admiration. Now, these few words in his memory wish to express our sorrow for the loss of this eminent of the Spanish physiological science, and deep gratitude for his generous impetus in the foundation and development of the journal.

For over half a century of academic activity as Professor of Physiology, first at the University of Barcelona (1942-1955), later at the University of Navarra (1955-1992), in spite of the shortage of means and the rather scarce scientific production in Spain at the beginning of this long period, Professor Jiménez Vargas made a vast contribution in many topics in the field of Physiology, particularly in those related to nervous regulation of respiration and other vegetative functions, offering relevant intuitions which as time goes by are being confirmed.

As a University Professor, with an exemplary life of intense and dedicated work, entirely and generously devoted to his students and disciples, he taught Physiology to medical students for about fifty years and trained many collaborators who later became scholars and researchers at different Universities. At the University of Navarra successfully laid the foundation of its now well-known School of Medicine where he was the first Dean.

The Journal of Physiology and Biochemistry (Revista Española de Fisiología) pays honour to its founder and great physiologist, sincerely hoping that God has already received him in His mansions, and granted him eternal happiness.

