## OBITUARY

## Professor Mohammad Naqaish Sadiq (1959 – 2020)

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Prof. M. Naqaish Sadiq died from a prolonged illness with COVID 19 on 20<sup>th</sup> July, 2020. It was a very sad news for his innumerable friends, colleagues, students and family members.



He was born on the 15th of June 1959 in a small village (Roopwal) near District Chakwal. There was no electricity or water supply in the village and he had to walk long distance for his primary and secondary education. He got highest marks in District and got scholarship in matriculation Exam. He had a simple, gentle personality. He was a noble and very hardworking student and passed his final MBBS exam with first class and distinction in Ophthalmology. His initial training in ophthalmology was at Rawalpindi General Hospital. He did Diploma in Ophthalmology (DO) from Nishtar Medical University and later FCPS (Ophth) and FRCS from Edinburgh.

He went to Middle East and worked in Sultanate of Oman for 11 years. He did his clinical fellow-ship in pediatric ophthalmology, Oculoplastic surgery and Squint surgery at Moorfield's Hospital London. On his return to Pakistan he worked as an Associate professor at Shifa College of Medicine and as Professor at Islamabad Medical College and Rawal Medical College. He was a member of surgical Trainers of Royal College of Surgeons Edinburgh and since 2014, he was also an examiner of the same College.

He presented more than 70 papers in both National and International Conferences. He received various academic, Service awards and Gold medals during his career.

He was President (Elect) of Pakistan Glaucoma Association. He was also examiner for university of Health Sciences Lahore, Bahria University & National University of Medical Sciences (NUMS).

To help the people of his area, he built a hospital at Balkasar near Chakwal and was practicing at Naqaish Medicare in Islamabad.

Sadly, indeed, when Prof. Naqasih was reaching the Zenith of his experience and career he was taken away from us. He will be greatly missed by his family, friends and patients. He passed away on the 20<sup>th</sup> of July 2020 at the age of 61 after being infected with COVID-19, followed by multi organ failure. He left a wife, a son and a Daughter. His wife Taqdees Naqaish is a professor of Gynecology, son Rehan Naqaish is a trainee doctor and daughter Warda Naqaish is a 2<sup>nd</sup> year BDS student in Islamabad.

His funeral service held at Islamabad was attended by many colleagues from all branches of Medicine, by relatives and friends who had traveled the length and breadth of the area. He was finally laid to rest at Hblock graveyard in Islamabad. May Allah bless his soul, rest in Jannat-ul-Firdous and Allah bless the family with strength and patience to bear this irreparable loss.

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