Becoming a professor: A research on the professorial personality of Dr. Fariborz Moattar
On the occasion of the 82nd birthday of Professor Dr. Fariborz Moattar

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Abstract:

This research has endeavored to examine the performance and character of the pioneer professor of Isfahan Faculty of Pharmacy, Dr. Fariborz Moattar, to acknowledge characteristics of the model professor and their roots, and to introduce them to students, the young generation of university professors, and educational policymakers. The study method in this research is based on a review of available documents (books, academic resume, theses, pictures, etc.) and interviews with the professor, his former students and colleagues. The results were arranged and are discussed as follows: background; teaching model; discipleship (model of attracting students; trust in students, instilling self-confidence in students; kindness and benevolence for students; patience in tensions and practical maintenance of university dignity; practical training of respect for professors, students and personnel; operationalization of research results in the field of production); relationship with academic colleagues; inheritance of predecessors with foresight; and the school of medicinal plants and Pharmacognosy. It is hoped such studies will lead to revision and updating of the format of professorships based on the basic missions of the university, such as discipleship, education responsive to the needs of society, and special attention to ethical character and in general, a mentor and virtuous professor.

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