Dr. Max Wichtl passed away

The Department of Pharmacognosy mourns the loss of emer. Univ. Prof. Dr. Max Wichtl, who passed away on July 30 at the age of 94. He started his academic career at the University of Vienna, where he served as Professor of Pharmacognosy until 1973. Then he joined the Phillips University in Marburg, Germany, as full Professor at the Institute of Pharmaceutical Biology until his emeritus status in 1990.



Max Wichtl is honorary member of the Society for Medicinal Plant and Natural Product Research (GA) and of the Austrian Society of Phytotherapy (ÖGPHYT), and awardee of the prestigious Egon Stahl Award in Gold (GA). Well known as a pioneer in phytochemical research and as engaged teacher in pharmacognosy, he is most famous among pharmacists and physicians as author and coauthor of the textbook "Teedrogen - ein Handbuch für Apotheker und Ärzte".