With a profound regret we inform about the death of Prof. PhD Juliusz Andrzej Strzetelski

This prominent scientist and researcher was born in 1938 in Lviv. He graduated from Higher College of Agriculture in Krakow in 1964. Since 1965 he worked with The National Research Institute of Animal Production in Kraków-Balice where ten years later he became a Head of Ruminant Feeding Laboratory in the Department of Animal Nutrition. In 2001 he received the title of Professor Agricultural Sciences.

In his scientific work he focused mainly on the use of nitrogen and energy in the cattle development and milk production in connection with the physiology in ruminant digestion. His research comprised the issues of the ruminants (mainly cattle) energy-protein requirements, the nutritional value of feedstuffs and its effect on the quality of animal products like milk and meat.

For the first time in Poland, together with Prof. PhD Rajmund Ryś, he developed and introduced to animal production the new system of calf breeding which was based on the limited milk and feed mixtures free of animal protein.

In 1972–1985 he took part in the Council for Mutual Economic Assistance (pol. RWPG) workings as an expert in the field of energy and protein needs for animals. As a close partner of Prof. PhD Jan Kowalczyk from The Kielanowski Institute of Animal Physiology and Nutrition in Jabłonna, he was the Member of Editorial Board of Journal of Animal and Feed Sciences and made 168 reviews for this Journal.

He pursued to develop the modern national standards for ruminant feeding accordingly to the INRA system. He focused also on effectivity of feed additions with microorganisms (bacteria, yeast culture) in cattle.

Prof. Strzetelski worked also as a lecturer, translated to the Polish language the student book comprising the topic of cattle nutrition in accordance to INRA system. He was well-known and regarded specialist in the field of ruminant nutrition and physiology.

Prof. PhD Juliusz Strzetelski died on February 23, 2016 in Krakow.