## Dr. Daniel Repetto (1954-2024)



**D**r. Daniel Repetto was born on December 20, 1954, in Lanús, Province of Buenos Aires, and passed away far too soon at the age of 69 on March 13, 2024. He studied medicine at the University of Buenos Aires and trained as a specialist in Orthopedics and Traumatology at the Hospital Naval de Buenos Aires.

In 1982, during the Malvinas War, he served as part of the medical corps aboard the icebreaker Almirante Irízar in the South Atlantic.

His passion for medicine—particularly spinal surgery—took root at Hospital Naval, where he was among the first group of residents under the instruction of Prof. Dallago.

A distinguished member of the AAOT and full member of the SAPCV, Dr. Repetto was the driving force behind the creation of the Spine Unit at Hospital Naval in the 1990s, with the support of Dr. Horacio Sarramea as a consultant.

Under his leadership, the unit expanded, welcoming new staff physicians and training numerous resident physicians over the years.

For those of us who had the privilege of working with him, Daniel was an unwavering example of dedication both as a physician and as a person.

In the office, the operating room, or academic discussions, he conveyed his knowledge with clarity and conviction, always emphasizing what he believed truly mattered. Yet, he remained open to new approaches, provided they were grounded in sound reasoning. One of his favorite maxims was: "*Let your decision be guided by the strengths of its arguments.*"

He had a deep love for traveling, learning, and reading. He was an avid golfer, a loyal friend, and a devoted family man.

Dear Daniel, thank you for all that you gave to your colleagues in the Orthopedics and Traumatology Service and, above all, to the Spine Team at the Naval.

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