In memoriam

Donald S. Farner (1915–1988)

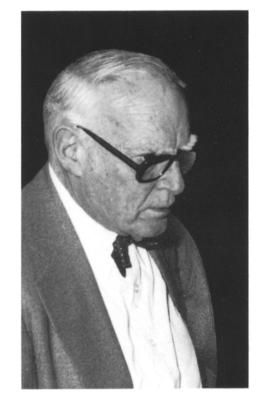
Professor Donald S. Farner, member of the Editorial Board of *Cell and Tissue Research* since 1967, died on May 18, 1988 after a long, bravely endured illness. He was a highly competent, devoted and conscientious editor, always keen to raise the standard of the journal. The death of this eminent comparative endocrinologist is a very great loss to *Cell and Tissue Research* and leaves a void difficult to fill.

Donald Farner was an outstanding scholar, academic teacher and administrator. He received his Ph.D. in Zoology and Physiological Chemistry from the University of Wisconsin in Madison, and later became Professor of Zoophysiology at Washington State University, Pullman (1952–1965), followed by appointments as Professor of Zoophysiology (1965–1985) and Chairman of the Department of Zoology (1966–1981) at the University of Washington, Seattle, Washington.

Among his many honors and offices, Donald Farner was a Fulbright Research Scholar, a Guggenheim Fellow and a holder of the Alexander von Humboldt Award. He served as President of the International Union of Biological Sciences (1967–1973) and President of the American Society of Zoologists (1984). His commitment in the area of international scientific cooperation was extraordinary. He was President of the 17th International Congress of Ornithology (1978) and Organizer of the 8th International Symposium of Neurosecretion (1980). In honor of his outstanding contributions to the field of avian endocrinology, the Donald S. Farner Medal has been established.

Among the numerous editorial commitments of Donald S. Farner, his contribution to monumental projects on "Avian Biology" and "Zoophysiology" deserve particular mention. He also added an Animal Index to the General Index of *Cell and Tissue Research*. One can hardly imagine how all this work could have been accomplished by a single person. As an editor Donald Farner paid great attention to detail, always emphasizing that it is impossible to "unpublish" published statements. He was the author of about 300 research communications, review articles, and books.

Personal warmth, a fine sense of humor and a very high measure of reliability were the foundation of Donald Farner's long lasting friendships with fellow scientists throughout the world. He was proud of his Swiss ancestry and recognized gratefully his childhood spent on a Wisconsin farm. Donald Farner will be remembered with gratitude by his friends and the many colleagues who admired and respected him.



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