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## In memoriam: Oliverio Welsh-Lozano



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**D**r Oliverio Welsh-Lozano (Fig 1) was born on December 17, 1939, at Montemorelos, Nuevo Leon, México. He completed his studies as a surgeon and midwife at the Medical School of the Universidad Autonoma de Nuevo Leon (UANL) from 1956 to 1962. His internship took place at the Dr. Jose Eleuterio Gonzalez University Hospital in 1963; he then pursued specialization in clinical pathology from 1964 to 1965 at the same institution, an internship in internal medicine at the University of Michigan University Hospital from 1965 to 1966, specialization in dermatology from 1966 to 1969 at the same institution, and a doctorate in medicine with a magna cum laude distinction at the UANL Medical School in 1990.

Dr Welsh-Lozano worked as a tenured undergraduate and postgraduate lecturer of the Dermatology

Service beginning in 1969 and of the Medical Microbiology technical-practical course beginning in 1972. He was an undergraduate subdirector at the UANL Medical School from April to December 1971, chief of the Mycology Laboratory in the Microbiology Department from 1976 to 1996, assistant chief through a public competition of the Dermatology Service at the same institution from 1978 to 1991, subdirector of research and postgraduate studies at the UANL Medical School from 1979 to 1986, chief of the Dermatology Service at the University Hospital from 1991 to November 2003, founder and director of the Interdisciplinary Laboratory of Dermatological Research from 1998 to 2003, and coordinator of basic research at the Dermatology Service from 2004 until his death.



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Dr Welsh-Lozano collaborated in more than 300 conferences at national and international academic events. He published 102 articles in impactful journals, wrote 30 chapters in books, and had 150 abstract publications in national and international congresses. He was the director and codirector of theses for the dermatology specialization, master's theses, and 11 doctorate theses. He reviewed articles in indexed journals such as *Journal of the American Academy of Dermatology*, *International Journal of Dermatology*, *JAMA*, *Clinics in Dermatology*, and *PLOS Neglected Tropical Diseases*, as well as Consejo Nacional de Ciencia y Tecnología projects. He won 26 research awards, including the Dr. Jose Eleuterio Gonzalez medal, granted by the UANL President Dr. Jesus Ancer; the Miguel Otero award in the area of research, granted by the Mexican president in 2018; an ILDS Certificate of Appreciation granted by the International League of Dermatological Societies; and the Colegio Ibero-latinoamericano de Dermatología (CILAD) award.

Dr Welsh-Lozano started and participated in research lines at the Dermatology Service, studying the immune response against intracellular infectious agents and the pathogenicity and virulence mechanisms for bacteria of the genus *Nocardia*, mycobacterium, and fungus, in addition to his therapeutic dermatological research.

He was a member of the American Dermatology Association, International Board of Clinics in Dermatology, American Academy of Dermatology, European Academy of Dermatology, International Society of Dermatology, and International Society of Investigative Dermatology. He was a member and former president of the Mexican Board of Dermatology; fellow at the Mexican Academy of Dermatology, Asociación Civil (A.C.); board member at the National Academy of Medicine; and member of the National System of Researchers, level III.

Until he died, Dr Welsh-Lozano was working as a professor emeritus at the UANL. His great legacy and exemplary behavior will live for many generations. Rest in peace, Dr Oliverio.