

TRIBUTE

To a Master of Coloproctology. Dr. Mario César Salomón

Today, life has given me an incredible gift—an intangible but deeply meaningful gift: the honor of paying tribute to Dr. Mario César Salomón, recently appointed **Master of Argentine Coloproctology** by the Argentine Society of Coloproctology. This title is reserved for a select few, and in his case, it further elevates his status.

His dedication, effort, and determination have paid off. It is a pleasure to witness how he has overcome challenges and achieved his goals throughout his successful professional life.

This recognition is the result of hard work and perseverance. Dr. Salomon has shown that anything is possible with passion and commitment.

To be a teacher is not only to teach, but also to selflessly deliver all the knowledge we have personally and professionally acquired over the years. To be a teacher is to create a human bond that marks and leaves a mark on the disciples, allowing them to follow the right path in life and profession.

That is what Mario has always sown, and today he is reaping the fruits of that sowing.

It would take too long to list all of his academic achievements, but some are worth mentioning:

- He was president of the Congress of the Argentine Society of Coloproctology and, in 1998, its main speaker on the topic "*Laparoscopic Colon Surgery*".
- He is a member of several prestigious international scientific societies.
- He is the co-author of the book "*Laparoscopic Colorectal Surgery*", with Drs. Sergio Larach and Philip Caushaj.
- In 2007, the Faculty of Medicine at the University of Tucumán awarded him a Doctor of Medicine degree.
- He performed the first laparoscopic colon surgery in Argentina, at the British Hospital of Buenos Aires, with Dr. Daniel Cardarilli and me.
- He created the second coloproctology residency program in Argentina while serving as chief of service at the British Hospital of Buenos Aires.



Dr. Salomón exemplifies patience, perseverance, tenacity, effort, and inner strength.

We met in 1984 when he joined the Coloproctology Service at the British Hospital in Buenos Aires, and since then, we have written the clinical history of the Service, founded by Dr. Alberto Laurence.

"Your success is proof of your perseverance."

Dear Mario, I want to thank you for your friendship, which has transcended the frontiers of our profession and has become an essential part of our lives.

Congratulations Maestro!

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