

Laudation – Prof. György Sándor

Professor György Kálmán Béla Sándor has been nominated for the title “Doctor Honoris Causa” for the second time by the Department of Oro-Maxillofacial Surgery and Stomatology. It is our greatest pleasure and honour to witness Professor Sándor receiving the title “Doctor Honoris Causa” in 2015.

Professor Sándor was born in Toronto, Canada to Hungarian parents and is the citizen of Canada, Finland and Hungary. He holds two degrees; one in dentistry earned in Canada and one in general medicine earned in Holland. He was head of department at the “Sick Children’s Hospital” in Toronto and he has been the professor of two universities in Tampere and Oulu, Finland since he moved there a few years ago. He is an internationally renowned specialist and is acknowledged worldwide for his achievements in the field of oro-maxillofacial surgery. He is a frequently invited as a speaker to conferences worldwide. His main areas of specialisation are orofacial defects, reconstructive surgery of cheiloschisis and uranoschisis, tissue engineering, etc. He is the member of various international and Hungarian associations of oral and maxillofacial surgery. He is the author of 230 publications, whose impact factor is 293.76. The number of citations is 3254, and his Hirsch factor is 38. He has written 3 textbooks and 17 text book sections.

He has numerous ties with Hungary and Semmelweis University, which are the following:

- He is the honorary member of the Hungarian Association of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgeons
- He has been awarded with the Semmelweis Medal
- Since the second half of the 1980s he has been an invited speaker at most of the congresses held in Hungary
- He has published 8 English language papers and has held 15 presentations together with the specialists of Semmelweis University’s Department of Oro-Maxillofacial Surgery and Stomatology

György Sándor was nominated honorary consul of one of Finland's regions in 2015 by the Minister of Foreign Affairs and Trade. This appointment of Professor Sándor demonstrates his engagement in social activities and commitment towards Hungary.