

**IN BLESSED MEMORY OF PROFESSOR  
HALYNA YEROSHENKO**

On January 12, 2026, the earthly journey of the Head of the Department of Biology of Poltava State Medical University, Doctor of Medical Sciences, Professor, Head of the Interdepartmental Scientific Research and Educational Morphological Laboratory of the Poltava State Medical University, Editor-in-Chief of the scientific journal “World of Medicine and Biology”, member of the Scientific Society of Anatomists, Histologists, Embryologists and Topographic Anatomists of Ukraine, Academician of the International Academy of Integrative Anthropology, and above all – a bright and sensitive person – Halyna Anatoliivna Yeroshenko, prematurely ended.

Halyna Anatoliivna was born on February 24, 1965, in Pavlodar, Kazakh SSR, at her parents' workplace. With her return to Poltava and her high school graduation, she devoted her future to her alma mater, the Poltava Medical Dental Institute, where she entered the Faculty of Medicine in 1982.

After graduating from the institute with a degree in medical science, she studied in the Department of Histology, Cytology, and Embryology from 1988 to 1993. In 1993, she defended her dissertation for the degree of Candidate of Medical Sciences on the topic: “Structural reorganization of the sublingual glands during partial and total removal of the submandibular and parotid glands in rats”.

From 1993 to 2006, she worked as an assistant at the Department of General Hygiene and Ecology. In 2005, she was selected through a competition for the position of Associate Professor of the Department of Histology, Cytology and Embryology, and in 2006, she received the academic title of Associate Professor. During this period, Halyna Anatoliivna developed as an experienced teacher and an excellent organizer of the educational process. As an Associate Professor and later a Professor in the Department of Histology, Cytology, and Embryology, she developed full lecture courses for students in the medical and dental faculties and, for practical classes, illustrated situational and test tasks for computer-based learning across four levels of knowledge acquisition. Together with the department's staff, she participated in the creation of national textbooks “Histology, Cytology and Embryology” (2018, for the medical faculty; 2020, for the Dental Faculty). As required, Halyna Anatoliivna contributed to the development of English-language educational content, conducted training sessions for foreign applicants, and later received confirmation of her English language proficiency at level B2.

In 2010, she defended her dissertation for the degree of Doctor of Medical Sciences on the topic: “Structural organization of the major salivary glands under conditions of stimulation of the sympathetic and parasympathetic divisions of the autonomic nervous system”. In 2012, she received the academic title of Professor.

In 2016, with the assistance of the administration of the then Ukrainian Medical Stomatological Academy, Halyna Anatoliivna organized the Interdepartmental Research and Educational Morphological Laboratory, which provides morphological research at theoretical and clinical departments. Laboratory assistants are

senior students and interns who confidently join the ranks of the country's young scientists.

In December 2020, Halyna Anatoliivna assumed the position of Head of the Department of Biology at Poltava State Medical University. At this stage of her life, she made a lot of efforts to improve the department's educational, methodological, and material and technical bases. Thanks to Halyna Anatoliivna, in particular, computer programs were introduced to help students master and monitor their practical skills. In difficult times with difficult challenges for the education system and the country as a whole (COVID-19 pandemic, war), she not only managed to unite the department's staff, but also brought it to a qualitatively new scientific level, and in every way contributed to the disclosure of the professional potential of young teachers.

During this period, she substantiated and led the implementation of the departmental research topic "Structural reorganization of organs of the immune, respiratory, and excretory systems under the influence of various exogenous factors (monosodium glutamate, sodium nitrite, ethanol, methacrylate)".

Since 2021, at the initiative of Professor Halyna Yeroshenko, a scientific and practical internet conference with international participation "Modern Problems of Studying Medical and Ecological Aspects of Human Health" has been launched at the Department of Biology of the PSMU, which is included in the Register of the Ministry of Health of Ukraine and traditionally gathers like-minded people from Ukraine, Azerbaijan, Georgia, Lithuania, Morocco and other parts of the world every year.

With the active assistance of Halyna Anatoliivna, a new educational and professional program, "Biology" at the bachelor's (2022) and master's (2023) levels was launched at the Poltava State Medical University. The guarantor of the master's program was Professor Yeroshenko herself.

Halyna Anatoliivna paid considerable attention to the education of gifted youth. Over the years of teaching, she has prepared dozens of winners of subject Olympiads and diploma winners at student scientific conferences. She has participated in the work of the jury and organizing committees of scientific competitions and Olympiads. For more than ten years, she was the head of the jury of the II stage of the All-Ukrainian competition-defense of scientific and research

works of students-members of the Poltava territorial branch of the Academy of Sciences of Ukraine in the "Medicine" section.

As a true associate of science, Professor Halyna Yeroshenko actively participated in the training of scientific personnel. Under her supervision, one doctoral and six candidate theses were defended, as well as four theses for the degree of Doctor of Philosophy. In the last five years alone, Halyna Anatoliivna has participated in dissertation defense procedures six times: twice as an official opponent and four times as a reviewer. She was a member of the specialized academic council D 20.601.02 at the Ivano-Frankivsk National Medical University of the Ministry of Health of Ukraine for the defense of doctoral dissertations, as well as a member of the expert group for assessing the effectiveness of higher education institutions in terms of their implementation of scientific (scientific and technical) activities in the scientific direction "Biology and Health Care".

For many years, Halyna Anatoliivna served as the permanent executive secretary of the scientific journal "World of Medicine and Biology", which is indexed in the Web of Science database.

The significant results of Halyna Anatoliivna's scientific and pedagogical activities are evidenced by the approximately 800 scientific, educational, and methodological works published under her authorship and co-authorship, including 2 textbooks, 112 educational and methodological manuals, 12 monographs, and 44 intellectual property rights documents.

It is impossible to measure the grief of loved ones who have lost a faithful and loving daughter, sister, wife, mother, or grandmother. It is hard to believe in the irreparable loss of a kind, sincere, intelligent colleague and mentor.

Halyna Anatoliivna Yeroshenko forever entered the history of Poltava State Medical University as a true Teacher, a selfless Scientist, and a wise Leader. Having passed away, she left behind a bright memory and a worthy example in the minds of the people she worked with and taught.

With deep sadness,

Staff of the Department of Biology, Editorial Board of the "World of Medicine and Biology" journal, and Scientific Society of Anatomists, Histologists, Embryologists, and Topographers of Ukraine.