



Prof. András Varró, MD, PhD
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Dr. András Varró earned the medical degree at the Medical University of Szeged in 1978. After graduation he started working in the Drug Research Institute in Budapest Hungary. Between 1982 and 1984 he spent two years as PhD student in the Krannert Institute of Cardiology, University of Indiana, Indianapolis USA under the supervision of professor Borys Surawicz. András Varró defended his PhD thesis in 1987. and between 1988 and 1990 he Varro spent two years in the Childrens Hospital of the University of Cincinnati. After returning to Hungary he joined to the Department of Pharmacology and Pharmacotherapy of the Albert Szent Györgyi Medical University, Szeged, Hungary as the leader of the Cellular Electrophysiological Laboratory. After earning the DSc degree, András Varró was appointed as full professor in 1999 and served as chairman of the department between 2001 and 2019. Between 1991 and 1992 as visiting scientist he worked in the Department of Physiology of Veterinary Preclinical Sciences at the University of Liverpool UK with professor David Eisner studying the cellular calcium handling in cardiac myocytes with the epifluorescence technics.

Presently, Dr. Varró works as full professor and leads the Cardiac Cellular Electrophysiological Laboratory in the Department of Pharmacology and Pharmacotherapy University of Szeged, Hungary. He supervised the work of more than 10 PhDs. His major research interest includes the cellular mechanisms of antiarrhythmic and proarrhythmic drug actions, particularly the physiology and pharmacology of cardiac potassium currents.

Dr. Varró published 344 papers in English languages which earned 16 075 citations and 69 Hirsh index (Google Scholar). He was successful in obtaining research grants in the national and European levels and served in the Editorial Board of several internationally well respected journals. He had been awarded with several awards, among which: the Carmeliet-Coraboef-Weidmann Lecture Award given by EWGCCE, the Distinguished Leadership Award, the Lifetime Achievement Award and the Naranjan Dhalla Award in Innovative Investigation in Cardiovascular Sciences by of International Academy of Cardiovascular Sciences (IACS).

András Varró is the co-founder and currently President of the National Academy of Scientist Education in Hungary. He is member of several scientific organisations and between 2013 and 2022 he served as the President of the of International Academy of Cardiovascular Sciences - European Section and currently he is the president elect of the IACS.