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## EVGENY ANATOLIEVICH BELENKOV (21.01.1964 – 28.10.2021)



On October 28, 2021, Doctor of Science in Physics and Mathematics, Professor of the Condensed Matter Physics Department (Chelyabinsk State University) Evgeny Anatolievich Belenkov suddenly passed away at the age of 57.

Evgeny Anatolievich was born on January 21, 1964, in Pervouralsk, Sverdlovsk region, Russia. Evgeny Anatolievich graduated from Chelyabinsk State University (CSU) in 1986 and began working there in 1988 after the Soviet Army military service. Evgeny Anatolievich took the degree of Candidate of Science (Physics and Mathematics) in 1996 and degree Doctor of Science (Physics and Mathematics) in 2003. In 2006, Evgeny Anatolievich was awarded the academic title of Professor. Evgeny Anatolievich worked part-time as a Professor at Magnitogorsk State University from 2003 to 2011 and at South Ural State University from 2005 to 2012.

Prof. Dr. Evgeny Belenkov is the founder of the Modelling carbon nanostructures school of sciences at CSU. Evgeny Anatolievich was actively engaged in studying carbon and its nanostructures, silicon carbide, and boron nitride materials. His scientific projects were supported by grants from the President of the Russian Federation, the Russian Foundation for Basic Research, the Ministry of Science and Higher Education of the Russian Federation, the Russian Science Foundation, and the Advanced Science Research foundation of CSU. He was also a laureate of the Soros Foundation Prize for Scientific Achievement. Prof. Dr. Evgeny Belenkov is the author and co-author of more than 300 scientific and methodological works, including three monographs and 105 scientific

papers published in Scopus and Web of Science indexed journals. Since the foundation of the Doctoral dissertation council D 212.296.03 on Theoretical physics and Physics of Condensed matter at CSU, Evgeny Anatolievich was its permanent scientific secretary. Prof. Dr. Evgeny Belenkov was an effective scientific advisor: under his supervision, 10 Ph.D. theses in Condensed Matter Physics were successfully defended.

Prof. Dr. Evgeny Belenkov was a talented teacher. For many years, Evgeny Anatolievich lectured on the basic subjects of Condensed Matter Physics and Programming. Evgeny Anatolievich was the head of the Physics of Carbon and Carbon Composite Materials seminar and organized the university laboratory for Nanotechnology at CSU. Prof. Dr. Evgeny Belenkov was the Chairman of the Academic and Methodological Commission of Physics Department at CSU. In 2016, Evgeny Anatolievich was awarded the title "Honoured Worker of Higher Professional Education of the Russian Federation" for his conscientious long-term work on developing the educational process and specialists training. Fruitful scientific and pedagogical work of Prof. Dr. Evgeny A. Belenkov was noted with a diploma from the Ministry of Education and Science of the Russian Federation (2012) and the Gratitude of the Governor of the Chelyabinsk region (2021).

Prof. Dr. Evgeny A. Belenkov was a vivid personality. Evgeny Anatolievich was a hardworking person, who had a great sense of humor and kind-heartedness. His colleagues and students will remember him as a kind and principled person passionate about science. Students, colleagues, and the Editorial Board of the journal deeply grieve over the early death of Prof. Dr. Evgeny A. Belenkov and express their heartfelt condolences to his family and friends. May his blessed memory live forever in our hearts.

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