## IN MEMORY OF ACADEMICIAN Kh. N. ARIPOV



Academician Khamidilla Nigmatovich Aripov would have celebrated his 60th birthday and 37 years of scientific activity in October, 2000. He was an Academician of the Academy of Sciences of the Republic of Uzbekistan, former director of the S. Yu. Yunusov Institute of the Chemistry of Plant Substances, and Chief Editor of the journal *Khimiya Prirodnykh Soedinenii*. He was a member of the editorial board of the *Uzbek Chemical Journal*, Chairman of the Specialized Committee for Dissertation Defense in organic chemistry, bioorganic chemistry, and the chemistry of natural and physiologically active compounds (technical sciences). He was a laureate of the Abu Raikhan Beruni State Prize.

Kh. N. Aripov was a famous scientist in the area of the chemistry and technology of medicinal preparations and chemical means of plant protection. He founded a school along a new scientific direction, the chemical technology of plant physiologically active compounds. He mentored 14 candidates and two doctors of science.

Many results from the research of this school were commercialized. This was facilitated by the physical plant that was designed, constructed, and equipped with modern equipment under the direct supervision of Khamidilla Nigmatovich. He developed the technology for separating total alkaloids from plant material and organized the production of such medicinal preparations as desoxypeganine and allapinine. He organized the startup of kholosas and KBC (Khodzhimatov bile collection).

He was the director of several inventions on the creation and startup in Uzbekistan and Russia of domestic preparations for agriculture ("Uzgen," butilkaptax, toluin, KMAKh, olgin, etc.).

He devoted much effort to the development of anthelmintic preparations (medamin, albendazol, medapek, trichlorophen, etc.) together with the Institute of Medical Parasitology and Tropical Medicine of the Russian Academy of Medical Sciences.

He was especially attentive to young scientists, for whom he created conditions for successful work.

Academician Kh. N. Aripov was the first to organize yearly conferences of young scientists, Turkish—Uzbek symposia, and scientific collaboration with scientists of Anadolu University in Turkey and the French firm "Latoxan." He was directly involved with the joint enterprise "Uz KUR."

He was well meaning, attentive to people, and very responsible.

His service was rewarded with many government awards.

In our time, when everything is changing, the loss of such people as Khamidilla Nigmatovich is especially painful. All his life he showed how it is necessary to serve the country, the institute, and the faculty that he loved. All problems of the institute he considered his own.

Khamidilla Nigmatovich was a humble and highly educated intelligent person with a rare education and intolerance of lies and disorderliness.

He was very proud of the fact that he was a student and successor of the great scientist Academician S. Yu. Yunusov. All who were happy to know Khamidilla Nigmatovich and to work with him in some way experienced the favorable influence of his superior personality.

The vivid memory of Kh. N. Aripov will forever remain with colleagues, journal coworkers, and the Institute.