## **Obituary Notice**

This special Symposium Issue is dedicated to the memory of the late Dr C.A. Johnson, whose untimely death on Monday, 2 May 1988, deprived the community of pharmaceutical scientists of one of their outstanding intellectual leaders.

Affectionately known throughout the pharmaceutical world as Dr "Johnny" Johnson, he served as Secretary and Scientific Director of the British Pharmacopoeia Commission for 25 years, during which time he was Chairman of the European Pharmacopoeia Commission. He was Chairman of the Editorial Advisory Board of the Journal of Pharmaceutical and Biomedical Analysis from its inception in 1982.

Among the many honours conferred on Dr Johnson were his Honorary Doctorate from the University of Bradford, and his nomination as Commander of the Most Noble Order of the British Empire, an honour conferred upon him by H.M. Queen Elizabeth, in March 1988. Shortly before his death Dr Johnson received the Secretary General's Medal for Service to the Council of Europe, a signal honour to one of Europe's most distinguished international figures in the world of pharmaceutical sciences.

The Editorial Members of the *Journal of Pharmaceutical and Biomedical Analysis*, on behalf of the readership, express their sincere condolences to Dr Johnson's family.

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