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It is with a very heavy heart that I inform you that our very dear friend and colleague, Prof. Dr. Ajit Kumar Padhy, passed away suddenly on the 22<sup>nd</sup> of August 2013 after suffering from a massive heart attack.

Prof Padhy was a Senior Consultant in the Singapore General Hospital, Department of Nuclear Medicine & PET since September 2005. Prior to that, he was the Head of Nuclear Medicine, IAEA, in the Division of Human Health from 1997 to 2004, and he was Faculty of Nuclear Medicine, AIIMS, New Delhi, India since the 1970's.

He also was the Editor in Chief, World Journal of Nuclear Medicine.

Prof Padhy was a co-founder of WARMTH in 2009, which was inaugurated in a ceremony at Cartagena, Colombia. He was instrumental in the rapid growth of WARMTH membership, which now stands at over 370, and personally signed on most of the members. He was the immediate past president of WARMTH, and was elected as the Executive Director in 2012.

In a recent WARMTH update in July 2013, he was thrilled to announce to the membership that the 1<sup>st</sup> First WARMTH-SNMMI Continuing Education Program on "Novel Targeted Radionuclide Therapy" was successfully held in Vancouver at the recent SNMMI Annual Scientific Meeting. He noted that "it was a great beginning to this collaboration between WARMTH and SNMMI" and that it is planned that this will be a regular feature of every SNMMI Annual Meeting. He was also very proud to be nominated as the WARMTH representative on the Board of the Nuclear Oncology Council of SNMMI.

The news of his sudden death has resulted in stunned disbelief throughout the world that such a giant force in our Nuclear Medicine community will no longer traverse the grounds of the earth. He was a constant source of inspiration and knowledge to all of us, and worked extremely hard to improve the status of Nuclear Medicine around the world, especially in developing countries. His mentorship to those who have been fortunate to learn under him is also not to be underestimated as the tears of shock and sorrow continue to reverberate around the world. His personal qualities were truly unique and inspiring, and we will never forget his penchant for a good joke and his infectious smile.

But wherever you may be when you read this shocking news, I am sure that you will believe that his spirit will continue to lie within all of us and he will continue to guide us to establish WARMTH as a credible, functional and vibrant organization as he had dreamt it to be.



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Prof Ajit Padhy is survived by his wife and two sons. Our deepest condolences and prayers of peace go out to them.

Yours sincerely

Prof Richard Baum

President, WARMTH

If I speak with the tongues of men and of angels,  
but do not have love, I have become a noisy gong or a clanging cymbal.  
If I have the gift of prophecy, and know all mysteries and all knowledge;  
and if I have all faith, so as to move mountains,  
but do not have love, I am nothing.  
And if I give all my possessions to feed the poor, and if I surrender my body  
to be burned, but do not have love, it profits me nothing.  
Love is patient,  
love is kind and is not jealous;  
love does not brag and is not arrogant,  
does not act unbecomingly;  
it does not seek its own,  
is not provoked, does not take into account a wrong suffered,  
does not rejoice in unrighteousness,  
but rejoices with the truth;  
bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things.  
Love never fails;

*The Bible, Letter to the Corinthians, 13,1-13*