

## LETTER TO THE EDITOR OBITUARY

## RNDr. MARIE VACKOVÁ, Ph.D.



Dr. Vackova, resident of Hradec Kralove, Czech Republic, passed away October 11, 2012 as a result of a long battle with serious illness.

Dr. Vackova was born in Policka, Czech Republic in 1953. She went School of Nursing and Pharmaceutical Faculty in Hradec Kralove. After completing her degree she joined Department of Epidemiology, the Military Medical Research Institute in Hradec Kralove. All the time she successfully participated in research projects of the microbiological laboratory, e.g. the selective contamination GIT in immunosuppressed patients. She defended her doctoral thesis in the end of 1992. Dr. Vackova devoted to the European study of nosocomial infections ESGNI 001 and 002. During her career she closely collaborated with Department of Infectious Diseases, Department of Clinical Microbiology and Department of Internal Medicine and Surgery at Faculty Hospital Hradec Kralove. The results of her studies were published in many professional journals and presented many times at conferences, meetings and symposiums.

Dr. Vackova was also very active and favorite teacher. She has lectured mainly the courses of Epidemiology and Microbiology for undergraduate and postgraduate medical students. They always appreciated her "mother's" approach. She was contributing to a good atmosphere in the workplace all the time.

Dr. Vackova is survived by her daughter Eva.

She left abruptly from her work and she will forever remain with us.

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