

Curriculum Vitae

Armand LATTES

Armand Lattes studied at the *Ecole Nationale supérieure de Chimie* and at the Faculty of sciences of Toulouse where he gained an Engineering Diploma and a B.Sc. with distinction in 1955. After graduating he became a postgraduate researcher in the laboratory of Pr.Georges Mignonac who was a former student of Paul Sabatier. He received a Doctorat of Sciences degree in Paris in 1960; he was awarded a doctorate in Pharmacy in 1982.

Associate professor at the Toulouse Faculty of Sciences, full professor in 1971, outstanding professor in 1984, he is Emeritus Professor of the University Paul Sabatier since 2003. From 1979 to 1987 he was Director of the Ecole Nationale Supérieure de Chimie and then became head of the Federative Research Institute in Organic Chemistry (1987-1994) and Director of the Institute of molecular Chemistry (1994-1999).

During the first period of his research he studied different reactions of amines, catalytic transformations of amino alcohols, and discovered two original reactions: aminomercuration and photoBeckmann rearrangement. More than thirty years ago, A.Lattes directed his attention to the peculiar qualities of micellar solutions and microemulsions which have been the keys of many important applications in organic synthesis and the reason of many physicochemical studies.

Professor Lattes has been the recipient of many awards at home and abroad, for example: French Academy of Sciences and French Chemical Society laureate, Dr.Honoris Causa of the Universities of Sofia, St Petersburg, Kiev and Donetsk. He is a member of the National Academy of pharmacy, of the European Academy of Sciences Art and Letters (council member), member, then President, of the Toulouse Academy of Sciences and Correspondent Member of the Spanish "Academia de ciencias "

He was elected President of the French Chemical Society (2003-2007), president of the Industrial Chemical Society (2004-2007) and, in 2005, President of the Federation of French Chemists (2005-2009).