

## In Tribute: Farshid Mohammadi, PT, PhD, Proprioception and Sensorimotor Integration in Parkinson's Disease

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**O**n August 2014, our physical therapy profession lost another esteemed colleague. Although Farshid is not live any more we are confident that his uncompromising love and contributions to our physical therapy profession will live on. Farshid was a clinician, national and international speaker, renowned researcher, and author. He started his education at Shahid Beheshti University of Medical Sciences and was graduated in 2004 to begin his career in physical therapy. He continued his formal education by completing his Master of Physical Therapy at Shiraz University of Medical Sciences in 2006 and his PhD in Physical Therapy at University of Social Welfare and Rehabilitation Sciences in 2011.

He published over 15 articles in scientifically refereed journals. His last article, as a co-author, was published in the *Journal of Knee Surgery, Sports Traumatology and Arthroscopy*, comparing the reliability of dynamic balance simultaneously with cognitive performance in patients with ACL deficiency and after ACL reconstructions and in healthy controls.

Farshid believed in continuous clinical data collection and performance assessment in ACL reconstructed knees. Over the last 3 years, Farshid started his PhD by research in Neuromotor Rehabilitation Research Group, Department of Rehabilitation Sciences, Faculty of Kinesiology and Rehabilitation Sciences (FaBeR), KU Leuven of Belgium to conduct a study on proprioception and sensorimotor integration in Parkinson's disease.

Farshid tried to organize his thoughts about the evidence and showed a high conscientiousness in his unique style. He demonstrated an extravert, innovativeness, sociable, communicative, selflessness, good-natured, gentle, co-operative, flexible, tolerance, generous, and friendly personality in his short life. He was excellent at organizing his work, managing his time and studying hard with clear goals. He had an intrinsic motivation and a positive attitude especially in helping his classmates and colleagues.

With this, Farshid's high professional productivity left us a rich heritage of knowledge to be studied and implemented in routine care for the benefit of our patients. His work influenced numerous researchers and brought thousands of physical therapists both in the Iran and Belgium to better understand and integrate data collected during everyday clinical practice to help guide patient management and improve patient outcomes. Farshid will be greatly missed, but his contributions to the physical therapy profession will be long lasting. God bless him.