

## **A Tribute to Professor Zdravko Lorković**

Zdravko Lorković is one of the finest persons I have known. I first met him in 1958 at the Cold Spring Harbor Symposium on population genetics. Ernst Mayr arranged his trip to the United States to call attention to the generally undiscovered but very forward looking and exciting work Zdravko was doing at the time with the *Erebia tyndarus* group. His classic paper on vicariant species relations was published in the Cold Spring Harbor Symposium 23 (1958). We have been promised an updated revision and expansion of this work in the next year.

Professor Lorković's other work includes extensive studies on chromosome mechanics in hybridization and hybridization studies such as reported here. The paper in original form was given at the SEL Wageningen meeting in April 1986. A complete bibliography of Professor Lorković has been published in *NOTA Lepidopterologica* (1985, 8:293-298) citing 86 papers.

Professor Lorković was born in Zagreb at the turn of the century and has lived there continuously since. After completing his doctoral studies he remained at the University of Zagreb, where he was professor on the Veterinary Faculty until 1952 when he transferred to the Medical Faculty for biology until his retirement in 1970.

Professor Lorković, we dedicate this volume of *The Journal of Research on the Lepidoptera* to you for your outstanding accomplishments in basic biological/genetic research in the field. We are particularly pleased that we can offer a tribute, not a memorial. We note you have been more productive in the second half of your career than the first. Your interest has given you a long and fruitful life. We look forward to many more works.

*Rudi Mattoni*