Joint discoverer of hypernuclei in 1952 with Marian Danysz, the Polish physicist Jerzy Pniewski died on 16 June. In 1962 he joined with Jarusz Zakrzewski and others in the European K minus collaboration at CERN and saw the first double hypernucleus in an emulsion stack. Pniewski, with H. Piekarcz, J. Piekacz, B. Povh, V. Soergel and others, then discovered electromagnetic transitions in hypernuclei in counter experiments at CERN. He was for many years Director of the Institute of Experimental Physics and then Dean of the Physics Faculty at Warsaw University. Among his many awards was the Marian Smoluchowski Medal, the highest honour of the Polish Physical Society.