

## **Happy Birthday, Valerij Christov!**

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In August 2015, Prof. Valerij Christov will celebrate his 60th birthday. For us, editors of ActaScientifica Naturalis, this event present a perfect opportunity to express our gratitude and respect in the form of a special issue.



Prof. Dr. D.Sc. Valerij Christov

Prof. Christov's professional career started in industry in the early 1980s. After his chemistry studies in "K. Preslavsky"University Shumen, (Bulgaria) and his PhD at the "Kl. Ohridsky"University, Sofia (Bulgaria) he worked for several years for the Central Research and Control Laboratory of Smijadovo Chemical Plant, (Bulgaria). From 1985 till now Prof. Christov is member of the Faculty of Natural Sciences at "K. Preslavsky"University Shumen, (Bulgaria). He became a professor at the "K. Preslavsky"University Shumen, (Bulgaria) at the age of 53. Hi is author of more than 8 patents and patent application, more than 100 refereed scientific publications and 332 citations. Last but not least Prof. Christov contribution is illustrated by instructing of 35 undergraduate and graduate students and 5 Ph. D. students.

We, from ASN would like now to present an opportunity to make a collection of publications assembled in a special issue consisting of contributions from all of Prof. Christov's habilitation candidates and some of his long-time co-workers and friends.