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**Dr. Ahmet Ruhi Mermut**, was born in Turkey in 1943. Honorary Member International Union of Soil Science, FCSS, FASA, FSSSA, and International Soil Science Award of the SSSA, He received the Turkish TUBITAK science award for the year of 2005. He earned a B.Sc. in Soil Science and a Ph.D. from the University of Ankara, Turkey. He was a research scientist at the State Agricultural University from 1969-1971 in Wageningen the Netherlands and later the Department of Soil Science, University of Saskatchewan since1982. He is also Prof. of Soil Science at Harran University, Turkey since 2004. He taught courses at the University of Toronto, in Brazil, and at several different universities in the Middle East. He has trained graduate students, 25 of them at Ph.D. level. Through the United Nation Development Program (UNDP) he has been invited to work with Chinese scientists in northern China. Developed a lrge program in Ethiopia through the Canadian International Development Agency (CIDA) and recently in Sudan.

Dr. Mermut has served as the associate editor and the editor of the Canadian Journal of Soil Science. He has also served as associate editor of Clays and Clay minerals and has been a guest editor for three Geoderma Special issues. He was the Chair between 1998 and 2002, and he was the Chair of the Division I of the IUSS (2002-2010). He has served the President of the European confederation of Soil Science Societies (ECSSS) between 2012-2016 and organized a congress October in Istanbul, Turkey.

Dr. Mermut has made several strong contributions in the areas of soil mineralogy, soil genesis, micropedology, and ***Organic Matter Dynamics in Agro-Ecosystem***. He has made a contribution to the fate of organo-chemicals in soil system. Recently he has also made contribution to ***World Food Security***. He is very active in Canada and USA. His work on Vertisols contributed substantially to getting the new order recognized in Canada.

Dr. A. R. Mermut has made contributions to Soil Science over a distinguished career in teaching, research, international education, editing and writing of scientific papers.

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