



Professor Dr. Jean-Claude Roegiers, one of the top Geomechanics Engineers in the industry, passed away on February 8, 2022, at the age of 76. Dr. Roegiers was recognized worldwide in industry and academia. He made multiple contributions to the science and practice of Petroleum and Geothermal Geomechanics. Dr. Roegiers was the founder of the Rock Mechanics Institute at the University of Oklahoma, designed and built the hydraulic fracturing characterization facility at that University and has been a leader in the development of the science of borehole stability and fracture mechanics. During his career he published more than 250 technical papers, graduated more than 35 masters and PhD students and was a founding member of ARMA (American Rock Mechanics Association). He was an ARMA Fellow. Dr. Roegiers was also a member of the Science and Technology Analysis Team for the Frontier Observatory for Research in Geothermal Energy.

As an educator, Dr. Roegiers was recognized for his creative yet analytical thinking and the innovation that he brought to challenging subsurface problems, while enfranchising, mentoring, encouraging and inspiring students and colleagues along the way.