

About the importance of to think From Professor Antonio Bayés de Luna anecdotary

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Concerning the need to think, we would like to remember an anecdote about Mauricio Rosebaum that Bayés de Luna and Samuel Sclarovsky experienced closely. By the mid-eighties, both Mauricio Rosebaum and Antoni Bayés were invited to deliver some lectures in Israel, and Mauricio arrived some days earlier. Samuel Sclarovsky told to Antoni, when I asked about Mauricio, that he had already arrived, and that during the days he had been staying there, all types of hospitals and research centers were shown to him. Sclarovsky told Antoni that everywhere people would say to him: "Dr. Rosenbaum, here we work a lot from 8 a.m. to 9 p.m." Apparently, once he a was little exhausted from so many visitations, and maybe considering that such work zeal by Israeli people was excessive, he replied: "But then, if you work so many hours, when do you think?" No doubt, if he had not devoted many hours to think as an "intellectual challenge" instead of carrying out a "work routine," he would not have been able to achieve so many important scientific accomplishments.