

## “History Makers in the Health Sciences – From the American University of Beirut”

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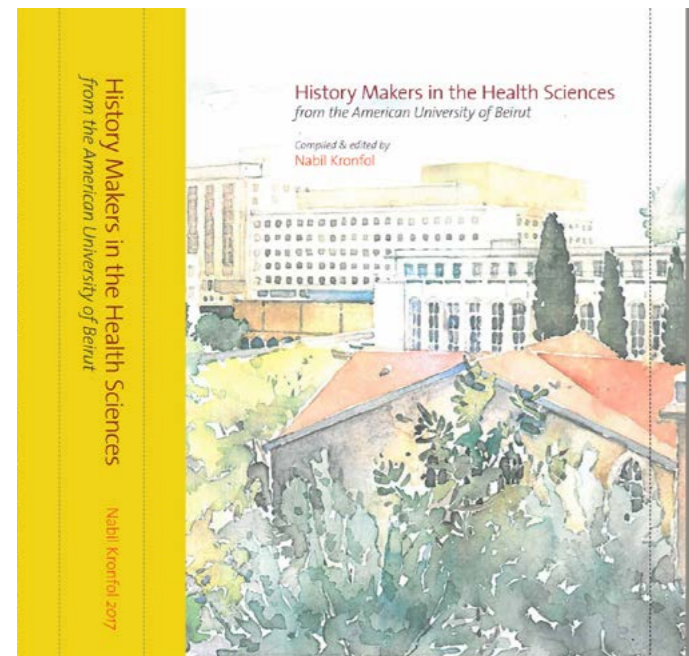
The intent of this book is and remains to be a recollection of events that contribute to recognize the history makers over the past 150 years, in celebration of this exceptional year that highlighted the contribution of the University and its slogan “We make History”. The impact that the successful events, organized by the University and its Administration (under the leadership of President Fadlo Raja Khuri), was tremendous to remind and revive the role that the University has played in the lives of its community, Lebanon, the Region and to a certain extent worldwide. It made us all honored and proud to belong to the AUB Community.

The genesis of this book came early in the celebrations of the 150<sup>th</sup> anniversary event. The book was meant and was so designed not only to recognize the founding fathers and the early pioneers – but also to pay tribute to the Faculty members, the staff and the alumni that have carried the torch since the establishment of the University. The focus was also intended to be limited to the health sciences:

Medicine, Nursing, Public Health – but also Pharmacy and Dentistry – two schools that were closed during this period and hence to ascertain their contribution during their respective existence.

The information narrated in this book has been drawn from multiple sources, from the AUB Archives, from the student yearbooks, from the Alumni Al Kulliyah, from AUB websites, from books and journals – as such, this book could be described as a (selected) compilation of historical events that had been published: its merit is to bring these sources together in an easy-to-read flow of information, with photographs to “tell the story”. This is not an academic analysis of the history of the American University of Beirut (Health institutions): rather, it is a review of its historical events (albeit never complete), through the contribution of the men and women who made this history.

Finally, this is a personal contribution to my alma mater, this institution that educated four generations of my family. It is also a tribute of its new leadership – to whom I wish well to



*“Dr. Nabil Kronfol is a consummate citizen of the American University of Beirut, a true AUB lifer, having spent a rich professional lifetime in the service of this singular institution. The entirety of his education and professional existence has been directed towards AUB’s role as the definitive instrument of public and societal health in Lebanon and the Arab World. Dr. Kronfol’s book is focused on the history makers of the University who have had a lasting impact on its health enterprise or health system, be they physicians, public health specialists, nurses, pharmacists, students, or administrators. The book is a labor of love undertaken by a devoted servant-leader of the University.”*

*Dedication by  
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