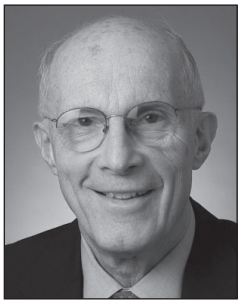


Samuel S. Weiss Award

The Samuel S. Weiss Award was established as a service award in commemoration of the founding father of the ACG, Samuel S. Weiss, whose efforts and initiative resulted in the establishment of the College in 1932. It is presented periodically, and not necessarily annually, to a Fellow of the College in recognition of outstanding career service to the American College of Gastroenterology. Nominations are solicited and reviewed by the Awards Committee and the recipients must be approved by the ACG Board of Trustees.

2018 Recipient

Peter A. Banks, MD, MACG



Dr. Peter A. Banks graduated from Harvard College in 1957, received his MD from Columbia College of Physicians and Surgeons in 1961, and completed his internship and medical residency at Beth Israel Hospital in Boston. He was a Clinical Associate at the National Institutes of Health in Bethesda, MD from 1963–1965 and was a resident in gastroenterology at Mount Sinai Hospital in New York from 1965–1967. He joined the faculty at Harvard Medical School in 1967 and the faculty at Tufts Medical School in 1973. He was Chief of Gastroenterology at St. Elizabeth’s Hospital in Boston from 1973–1992. In 1992, he joined

the faculty at Brigham and Women’s Hospital as Director of Clinical Gastroenterology and Director of the Center for Pancreatic Disease. Since 1999, he has been a Professor of Medicine at Harvard Medical School. He initiated the Academic Clinical Track Fellowship in Gastroenterology at Brigham and Women’s Hospital in 1993. This Fellowship is designed to train Fellows to be outstanding clinicians, teachers, and clinical investigators. Fellows in the program enroll in courses at the Harvard School of Public Health and obtain a Master’s Degree in Public Health. This program continues to be headed by Dr. Banks and funded through two endowments that he created. Many of the graduates of this training program have gone on to achieve national stature.

Dr. Banks’ major contributions in clinical research are in the field of pancreatic disease with particular emphasis on the early determination of severity in acute pancreatitis, strategy to improve therapy, and the clinical utility of radiology in pancreatic disease. His contributions in the medical literature are substantial, including 180 peer-reviewed articles, 140 chapters and review articles, and two books on pancreatitis. He has written guidelines for the treatment of both acute and chronic pancreatitis.

Dr. Banks is a Master of the American College of Gastroenterology (ACG). He served as a member of the Board of Governors for three years, a member of the Board of Trustees for nine years, and Chairman of the Public Relations Committee. He has also served as a member of other committees including Educational Affairs, National Affairs, Patient Care, and Awards, as well as several ad hoc committees. He delivered the Baker Presidential

Lecture in 1994 and the Emily Couric Memorial Lecture in 2007 at the ACG Annual Meeting. Dr. Banks has served as President of the American Pancreatic Association, the International Association of Pancreatology, and Chairman of the Pancreatic Disease Disorder Section of the American Gastroenterological Association (AGA).

Dr. Banks was a member of the Gastrointestinal Drugs Advisory Committee for the U.S. Food and Drug Administration from 1992–1996. He has served on the editorial board of several notable journals including *Pancreas* and the *International Journal of Pancreatology*, and has been Associate Editor of *Pancreatology*.

Dr. Banks has participated actively in community service related to professional work. He served as Chairman of the National Education Committee of the Crohn's and Colitis Foundation as well as Chairman of the Scientific Advisory Board for the Massachusetts Chapter. In 1991, he was honored as Humanitarian of the Year by the Greater Boston Chapter of the Crohn's and Colitis Foundation. In addition, he has been a member of the Board of Directors of the National Pancreas Foundation since 1998 and was honored for his work in 2006. He has also served as Chairman of the Digestive Disease National Coalition.

Dr. Banks has received many awards for teaching, community service, and leadership including the Berk/Fise Clinical Achievement Award from the ACG in 2015, the Distinguished Clinician Award from Brigham and Women's Hospital in 2016, and the Pancreatic Disorders Section Research Mentor Award from the AGA in 2017.

Past Samuel S. Weiss Award Recipients

2017	John W. Popp, Jr., MD, MACG	1993	Arthur E. Lindner, MD, MACG
2016	Richard G. Farmer, MD, MS, MACG	1992	Franz Goldstein, MD, MACG
	Burton I. Korelitz, MD, MACG	1991	James L. Achord, MD, MACG
	Sidney J. Winawer, MD, MACG	1990	Robert L. Berger, MD, MACG
2015	Christina M. Surawicz, MD, MACG	1989	Angelo E. DaGradi, MD, MACG
2014	Jamie S. Barkin, MD, MACG	1987	Joseph E. Walther, MD, MACG
2013	Jack A. Di Palma, MD, FACP	1986	Richard L. Wechsler, MD, MACG
2012	Martin H. Floch, MD, MACG	1984	John P. Papp, MD, MACG
2011	Frank L. Lanza, MD, FACP	1982	Daniel Weiss, BS, MA
2008	Robert E. Kravetz, MD, MACG	1980	David A. Dreiling, MD, MACG
2006	William D. Carey, MD, MACG	1978	Henry Colcher, MD, MACG
2005	David Y. Graham, MD, MACG	1976	Murrel H. Kaplan, MD, FACP
2004	Edgar Achkar, MD, FACP	1974	Robert R. Bartunek, MD, FACP
2002	Lawrence J. Brandt, MD, MACG	1972	Milton J. Matzner, MD, FACP
2001	Joel E. Richter, MD, MACG		
2000	Seymour Katz, MD, MACG		
1998	Rowen K. Zetterman, MD, FACP		
1997	Arthur H. Aufses, Jr., MD, MACG		
1996	Arvey I. Rogers, MD, MACG		
1995	Jerome D. Waye, MD, MACG		
1994	J. Edward Berk, MD, MACG		