

Berk/Fise Clinical Achievement Award

The Berk/Fise Clinical Achievement Award, formerly the ACG Clinical Achievement Award, is presented to not more than one Member/Fellow of the College in any year and is made in recognition of distinguished contributions to clinical gastroenterology over a significant period of time. Specific criteria include, in addition to a career of distinguished clinical practice of gastroenterology, contributions in patient care, clinical science, clinical education, technological innovation, and public and community service.

2011 Recipient

Douglas K. Rex, MD, FACC



Dr. Douglas K. Rex is Distinguished Professor of Medicine at Indiana University School of Medicine, Chancellor's Professor at Indiana University-Purdue University Indianapolis, and Director of Endoscopy at Indiana University Hospital in Indianapolis.

He graduated from Harvard College, Summa Cum Laude in 1976 and with highest distinction from Indiana University School of Medicine in 1980. He served as Chief Medical Resident at Indiana University Hospital and joined the faculty at Indiana University in 1985. He received the Outstanding Teacher Award in the Introduction to Medicine course five times and has been awarded the Indiana University School of Medicine Outstanding Teacher Award as well as the Department of Medicine's Excellence in Teaching Award.

Dr. Rex is a full-time clinical gastroenterologist at Indiana University Hospital. His major research interests have been in colorectal disease and, in particular, colorectal cancer screening and the technical performance of colonoscopy. He co-authored the colorectal cancer screening recommendations of the American College of Gastroenterology and the U.S. Multi-Society Task Force on Colorectal Cancer. He also authored the recommendations on quality in colonoscopy of the U.S. Multi-Society Task Force on Colorectal Cancer and the American College of Gastroenterology/American Society of Gastrointestinal Endoscopy.

He has authored more than 160 original research papers, 50 book chapters, 175 invited papers, 35 editorials, and 30 guideline papers. He is an Associate Editor of *Journal Watch Gastroenterology* and *GI and Hepatology News*, and a member of the Editorial Boards of *Gastroenterology*, *The Journal of Clinical Gastroenterology*, *Techniques in Gastrointestinal Endoscopy*, *Gastroenterology & Hepatology*, *Expert Review of Gastroenterology and Hepatology*, *Medscape Gastroenterology*, *World Journal of Gastrointestinal Pharmacology and Therapeutics (WJGPT)*, *Annals of Gastroenterology & Hepatology*, *World Journal of Gastrointestinal Oncology*, *Comparative Effectiveness Research*, *Journal of Anesthesia & Clinical Research*, and the *World Journal of Gastrointestinal Pathophysiology*.

From 2000-2006 he was the chairman of the U.S. Multi-Society (ACG, ASGE, AGA, ACP-ASIM) Task Force on Colorectal Cancer. He has also served in the American College of Gastroenterology as Chairman of the Board of Governors and is a Past President of the ACG.