

# 31st Annual John J. Bonica Award

The annual Dr. John J. Bonica Award and Lecture is the highlight of the Eastern Pain Association year. EPA members get together to hear a distinguished, nationally and often internationally, recognized pain practitioner and /or researcher deliver a lecture and receive an award that is named after someone many consider to be the father of pain, Dr. John J. Bonica.

This year will be the 31th such convocation. Join us this year for a luncheon, as the Eastern Pain Association proudly presents this year's award to Dr. Steven D. Passik. The luncheon is complimentary to meeting registrants. The lecture is free and open to the public.

## Dr. Steven J. Passik



In his work as a clinical psychologist, Dr. Passik's areas of expertise are the general psychological aspects of cancer including palliative care, and symptom management with an emphasis on pain, depression, nausea, and fatigue. He provides interventions to individual patients. In addition, he is the psychological liaison to the Pain and Palliative Care Service as well as the Colorectal Disease Management Teams.

Dr. Passik also leads the symptom studies and pharmacotherapy laboratory. The lab conducts and examines symptom assessment studies, which are aimed at enhancing quality of life and relieving suffering of patients. His research interests include examining pain medication usage among cancer patients; assessing abnormal drug usage among cancer and HIV+ patients; and developing psychosocial interventions for cancer patients.

Dr. Passik is a member of many scientific and medical societies including the American Psychological Association, International Psycho-Oncology Society, and American Society of Psychiatric Oncology/AIDS, all organizations of specialists in his field. he has also written extensively on the interface of pain management and addiction.

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## Past Bonica Award Recipients

2008 Dr. Charles S. Cleeland

The Symptom Complex: What Goes Along with Having Chronic Pain

1979	Dr. Patrick D. Wall* On the Relation of Injury to Pain	1994	Dr. Charles E. Inturrisi Molecular Markers of Pain and Analgesic Tolerance
1980	Dr. William H. Sweet* Animal Models of Chronic Pain: Their Possible Validation from Human Experience	1995	Dr. Michael J. Cousins Drug Treatment of Pain by Local Anesthetics and Other Regionally Applied Drugs: Current and Future Applications
1981	Dr. Raymond W. Houde* Pain and The Search for the Holy Grail: New Drugs Revisited	1996	Dr. Jes Olesen Migraine: Diagnosis and Pathophysiology
1982	Dr. Ronald Melzack The Reality of Labor Pain	1997	Dr. Abraham Sunshine* Clinical Analgesic Studies: The Future of the Past
1983	Dr. John C. Liebeskind* Pain Modulation: Central Mechanisms and Environmental Triggers	1998	Dr. Gerald F. Gebhart Visceral Pain and its Modulation
1984	Dr. Avram Goldstein Pain and the Endogenous Opioids	1999	Dr. William T. Beaver It's Déjà Vu All Over Again: Reflections Of An Analgesiologist
1985	Dr. Wilbert E. Fordyce Pain, Freedom of Choice and Accountability	2000	Dr. Donald D. Price Mechanisms and New Treatments of Persistent Pain
1986	Dr. Kathleen M. Foley Cancer Pain: Controversy and Challenges	2001	Dr. Gavril Pasternak Molecular Mechanisms of Morphine Action: From the Clinic to the Bench
1987	Dr. Howard L. Fields Endogenous Mechanisms of Pain Control	2002	Dr. Clifford J. Woolf Chipping Away at Pain Mechanisms
1988	Dr. Vittorio Ventafridda Continuing Care: An Important Issue in Cancer Pain	2003	Dr. Russell Portenoy Long-Term Opioid Treatment for Chronic Pain: A Modern Twist on an Ancient Therapy
1989	Dr. William D. Willis, Jr. The Role of Spinothalamic Neurons in Hyperalgesia	2004	Dr. Daniel B. Carr Translating Clinical Research to Clinical Practice: A Never Ending Challenge
1990	Ada G. Rogers, RN The ABC's of Pediatric Pain	2005	Dr. Patrick Mantyh Mechanisms that Drive Cancer Pain
1991	Dr. B. Berthold Wolff The Measurement of Pain: An Odyssey	2006	Dr. Richard Payne What is Compassionate Pain Care in the 21st Century? Is the Good Samaritan an Oxymoron in 21st Century Health Care?
1992	Dr. Ulf Lindblom Pain and Sensory Dysfunction, Integration and Separation	2007	Dr. James Eisenach, FM James, III Professor of Anesthesiology Obstetrics: Pain Fibers (but not pain) Speed Labor & Protect Against Chronic Pain
1993	Dr. Tony L. Yaksh The Practical Significance of Processing Bias in Spinal Pain Transmission or How Tightly Wound is Your Patient's Watch?		

\* Deceased