

# Society for Investigative Dermatology

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## **Thomas Lawley Named 2006 Stephen Rothman Memorial Award Winner**

CLEVELAND (June 1, 2006) – Thomas Lawley, MD, was selected by the Society for Investigative Dermatology (SID) to receive the 2006 Stephen Rothman Memorial Award at the SID's annual meeting, May 3-6, in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

The Stephen Rothman Memorial Award is the SID's highest honor and has been presented annually since 1967 for distinguished service to the specialty of investigative dermatology. Recipients of the award are selected based on their scientific achievement, commitment to teaching and recruiting the next generation of scientists and impact upon the course and image of dermatology and its related fields.

Dr. Lawley, Dean of the Emory University School of Medicine since 1996, is also the William Patterson Timmie Endowed professor of dermatology at Emory. He is president of the Emory Medical Care Foundation and the Emory Children's Center, and has held seats on the boards and executive committees of several organizations including the Society for Investigative Dermatology, American Academy of Dermatology, and Association of Professors of Dermatology. He has also served on the Board of Trustees for the Dermatology Foundation, and is chair-elect of the Council of Deans for the Association of American Medical Colleges.

Dr. Lawley received his medical degree from the State University of New York (SUNY) at Buffalo. He completed his residency in dermatology at SUNY at Buffalo in 1975 and later became an investigator with the Dermatology

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Branch of the National Cancer Institute/National Institutes of Health in Bethesda, Maryland. He worked as an expert and later as a senior investigator for the Dermatology Branch in Bethesda before moving to Emory School of Medicine in 1988, when he became professor and chairman of the Department of Dermatology. Dr. Lawley is also the author of over 90 published journal articles.

Among his many awards and honors, Dr. Lawley has received distinguished alumnus awards from SUNY at Buffalo and Canisius College, his undergraduate alma mater, in 2002. In 1995, he received the American Academy of Dermatology's Marion Sulzberger award for "Professor of the Year." He received the Public Health Service Superior Service Award in 1987, and the Hoechst award in 1986.

Founded in 1938, the SID has over 1700 members worldwide. The SID publishes the *Journal of Investigative Dermatology*, the premier journal dedicated to research in cutaneous biology. The annual meeting of the SID attracts over 1500 participants who gather to exchange research and information about the latest scientific advances in the field of dermatology.

The Society for Investigative Dermatology is dedicated to the advancement and promotion of the sciences relevant to skin health and disease through education, advocacy and scholarly exchange of scientific information. For more information about the SID and its activities, please visit [www.sidnet.org](http://www.sidnet.org).

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