



Collegium Ramazzini

Città di Carpi

The Collegium Ramazzini and the Town of Carpi are proud to recognize

ARTHUR L. FRANK

as Ramazzini Award recipient and Ramazzini Lecturer for 2016.

Dr. Arthur L. Frank has worked for over 40 years as a physician, scientist and leader in occupational and environmental health. He has continually dedicated his work to advocate for better working conditions for people all over the world, thus embodying and extending the great legacy of Bernardino Ramazzini.

He began his career with training and medical residency at Mount Sinai School of Medicine, where he concurrently completed his PhD in the Biomedical Sciences Doctoral Program. In 1977 he completed his occupational medicine residency training at Mount Sinai, where he then joined the faculty of the Department of Community Medicine. Throughout this time, he worked closely with and was inspired by one of the founders of the Collegium Ramazzini, Dr. Irving Selikoff.

In 1983, Dr. Frank moved to the University of Kentucky Medical School as Professor of Preventive Medicine and Environmental Health. In 1994, he joined the University of Texas Health Center as the Sam Topperman Professor of Medical Education. In 2002 he became Professor of Public Health at the Drexel University School of Public Health where he was also Chair of the Department of Environmental and Occupational Health (Emeritus as of 2014) and Professor of Medicine at the Drexel School of Medicine.

Dr. Frank's scientific work and publications have covered a wide range of subjects including asbestos, occupational cancer, medical ethics, and health and safety for agricultural workers. He is an internationally recognized expert in occupational and environmental medicine, with a remarkable depth and diversity of experience. Dr. Frank has always combined his scientific and clinical work with advocacy for improving working conditions through better prevention and medical care. He has been a key and tireless contributor to the international effort to prevent asbestos-related disease by banning its use worldwide. He has also been an advocate for better medical care and compensation for those who have become ill as a result of asbestos exposure. His work in Kentucky with coal miners and agricultural workers demonstrated his commitment to translate science into preventive action, a commitment that he brings to numerous scientific, professional, and community advisory committees.

In recent years, Dr. Frank has focused significant efforts internationally by providing assistance to occupational health programs in developing countries including, among others, India, Mongolia, and China. He has involved many Collegium Ramazzini Fellows in these initiatives and has helped to nurture occupational and environmental health programs wherever he has worked.

Arthur exemplifies the model of Bernardino Ramazzini in combining scientific achievement with public service and advocacy. He not only accomplished this on his own but also by inspiring and training many young scientists entering the field. It is a great privilege for the Collegium Ramazzini to bestow this well-deserved honor upon our friend, colleague and public health hero.

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