

The R.B.H. Gradwohl Laureate—1998

The Gradwohl Medal is the Academy's highest honor, bestowed in recognition of a lifetime of distinction and exceptional service to the organization and the profession. Established in 1975, the Gradwohl Medal has been awarded to only seven other individuals.

A founding member of the Academy, Professor Kaye was involved with Dr. Gradwohl and Orville Richardson in setting up early medicolegal conferences that became AAFS.

Dr. Kaye's career in forensic toxicology began at New York University under the tutelage of Alexander Gettler. He is a retired Colonel in the Army reserves, having been the Army's first forensic toxicologist. He has over 150 publications in the professional literature, including four editions of *Handbook of Emergency Toxicology*. He founded and directed four major laboratories in the U.S. and has served on the faculties of four universities, most recently as Professor of Toxicology, Legal Medicine, Pharmacology and Pathology at the University of Puerto Rico. His many other awards and citations include the Toxicology Section's Alexander Gettler Award, and the Milton Helpern International Award in Forensic Sciences.

For a lifetime of achievement in forensic science and toxicology, and for his critical role in the founding of the Academy, AAFS President Dr. Michael Peat awarded the R.B.H. Gradwohl Medal to Sidney Kaye at the 50th Annual Meeting of the American Academy of Forensic Sciences in San Francisco CA in February, 1998.



Dr. Sidney Kaye