

# 24th CARO Annual Scientific Meeting

Research, Discovery, Collaboration and Education in Radiation Oncology and Physics

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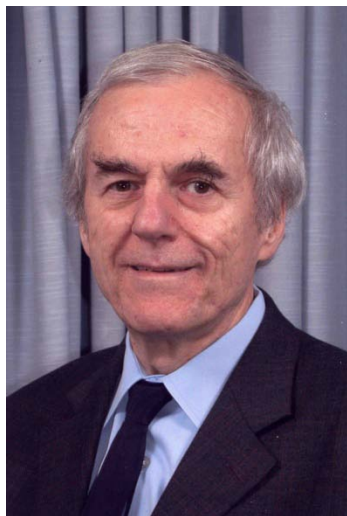
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## 2010 CARO ASM CARO Lecturer

**Dr. Ervin .B. Podgorsak**

*“Vignettes from Canadian Medical Physics: 1970 – 2010”*

Dr. Ervin B. Podgorsak is a medical physicist, educator and administrator. He was born in



Vienna, Austria and attended elementary and secondary school in Ljubljana, Slovenia. In 1968 he graduated in Physics at the University of Ljubljana and then attended graduate school at the University of Wisconsin in Madison, USA where he obtained his M.Sc. degree in Physics in 1970 under Prof. John R. Cameron and Ph.D. degree in Physics in 1973 under Prof. Paul R. Moran. During 1973-75 he held a post-doctoral fellowship at the University of Toronto and the Ontario Cancer Institute in Toronto, Canada under Prof. Harold E. Johns. Since 1975 he has been employed at McGill University in Montreal, Canada where he currently holds a position of Professor of Medical Physics. From 1979 to 2009 he was Director of the Medical Physics department in the McGill University Health Centre and, concurrently, from 1991 to 2009 he was Director of the Medical Physics Unit of McGill University which

offers M.Sc. and Ph.D. programs in Medical Physics and a clinical residency program in Radiation Oncology Physics. The McGill academic and clinical programs in medical physics are accredited by the Commission on Accreditation of Medical Physics Educational Programs (CAMPEP).

Dr. Podgorsak published over 250 medical physics articles and 4 books, gave numerous scientific presentations, and supervised 34 M.Sc. and 9 Ph.D. graduate students in medical physics. For his contributions to medical physics he received the Coolidge Award from the American Association of Physicists in Medicine in 2006 and the Gold Medal from the Canadian Organization of Medical Physics in 2008. He is a Fellow of the Canadian College of Physicists in Medicine (CCPM), the American Association of Physicists in Medicine (AAPM), and the American College of Medical Physics (ACMP). He is board certified in radiation oncology physics by the Canadian College of Physicists in Medicine and the American Board of Medical Physics.