



Dr. Raymond Slavin was elected by the Fellows of the American College of Allergy, Asthma and Immunology to receive the 2010 “Gold Headed Cane Award.” Since his graduation from St. Louis University Medical School in 1956, Dr. Slavin has conducted research, treated patients, and educated students, residents and allergy fellows at St. Louis University. He has written more than 450 publications on his research in asthma and allergies. Dr. Slavin has received many other honors in his career, but the Gold-Headed Cane Award is a concept used by many medical schools and specialty societies to recognize a physician who symbolizes the pursuit of the highest standards of scientific excellence and integrity to make the master doctor. The existence of such an honor is an inspiration all physicians and signifies success not only in professional life, but in family, social, civic, and religious life as well. The original Gold-Headed Cane was carried by Dr. John Radcliffe, the personal physician of the King of England, in the 17th Century. Dr. Radcliffe successfully treated King William III for asthma. How fitting that Dr. Slavin, who has contributed much to the science and care of asthma, should bear the Gold Headed Cane Award.