

MIKLÓS SAHIN-TÓTH



Miklós Sahin-Tóth is a world-renowned expert in the area of pancreatic disorders with a focus on genetic risk factors in chronic pancreatitis.

His studies combine biochemical, cell biological and animal model approaches with data obtained from human genetic association studies with a view to formulating molecular disease models that explain genetic susceptibility to chronic pancreatitis.

ACADEMIC AND PROFESSIONAL CAREER

Sahin-Tóth earned an M.D. and a Ph.D. in Medical Sciences from the Semmelweis University of Medicine, Budapest, Hungary in 1988 and 1994, respectively. Subsequently, he received post-doctoral training at the University of California, Los Angeles, and The Scripps Research Institute, La Jolla, California. Sahin-Tóth joined the faculty of Boston University as an Assistant Professor of Molecular & Cell Biology in 2002. In 2006, he was promoted to Associate Professor and in 2009 to Professor. In 2019, he moved his laboratory to the Department of Surgery at the David Geffen School of Medicine, University of California, Los Angeles. In 2023, he was appointed as Chair of the Hirshberg Foundation's Scientific Advisory Board.

Sahin-Tóth has been exceptionally successful in his research, having published more than 150 peer-reviewed papers, many of which appeared in high-profile journals including *Nature Genetics*, *Nature Communications*, *Gastroenterology*, *Gut* and the *Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences*, USA. In addition, Sahin-Tóth administers several major federal grants to study various aspects of pancreatitis. He also serves as co-editor-in-chief for the journal *Pancreatology*, and he is a past member of the Clinical, Integrative and Molecular Gastroenterology study section of the National Institutes of Health. Sahin-Tóth has received numerous awards and honors, including the Henry Lynch Lifetime Achievement Award at the International Symposium on Inherited Diseases of the Pancreas in 2012. He also served as a council member of the American Pancreatic Association, and he was president of the organization in 2017.

AWARDS AND HONORS

- 2005 Geza Hetenyi Medal and Honorary Member, Hungarian Society of Gastroenterology
- 2012 Henry Lynch Lifetime Achievement Award, 7th International Symposium on Inherited Diseases of the Pancreas
- 2013-2018 American Pancreatic Association (APA), council member
- 2015 Doctor honoris causa, University of Szeged, Hungary
- 2017 American Pancreatic Association (APA), president
- 2018 Doctor honoris causa, Semmelweis University, Budapest, Hungary