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Dr. Peter Scholle receives AGI's 2013 Medal in Memory of Ian Campbell for Superlative Service to the Geosciences

At today's GSA Awards Ceremony Dr. Peter Scholle was awarded the AGI Medal in memory



Scholle holding plaque that accompanies the medal

of Ian Campbell honoring his contributions to the geoscientific community. When measured against the career of medal's namesake, Scholle's colleagues lauded his accomplishments and underscored his leadership both as a scientist and educator.

Scholle has conducted research on carbonate sedimentology and petroleum geology in nearly 30 countries and has written, coauthored, or edited eight books, more than 250 papers and abstracts, and 28 CD-ROMs and other computer or audio visual products. His distinguished career has specialized in studies on the deposition, diagenesis and hydrocarbon potential of deep-water carbonates as well as the ongoing synthesis of current knowledge on burial diagenesis of carbonate rocks in general. According to one supporter of his nomination, "Peter's scientific accomplishments are the envy of many... It is, however, the two major books he has edited and co-written on carbonate rocks and published by AAPG that lie on the desk of just about every carbonate geologist in the world that have made him a household name in sedimentary geology."

The scientific communities within the geosciences, specifically SEPM, AGI, AAPG and AASG are indebted to his service. It is with sincere congratulations that the American Geosciences Institute awards Dr. Peter Scholle with a medal recognizing a career dedicated to geoscience research and leadership.

The Ian Campbell Medal is given in recognition of singular performance in and contribution to the profession of geology. Candidates are measured against the distinguished career of Ian Campbell, whose service to the profession touched virtually every facet of the geosciences. Campbell was a most uncommon man of remarkable accomplishment and widespread influence. In his career as a geologist, educator, administrator, and public servant, he was noted for his candor and integrity. The title of the award was changed for the 2009 award to add "for Superlative Service to the Geosciences" in order to emphasize the importance of service shown by the recipient.