

Epimed Announces the Passing of Dr. Gabor B. Racz (1937–2025)

Honoring the Legacy of a Global Leader in Interventional Pain Medicine

It is with deep sorrow that we announce the passing of **Gabor B. Racz**, MD, DABIPP, FIPP, a visionary in interventional pain medicine whose contributions have profoundly shaped the practice and teaching of pain management worldwide.

Born in Budapest, Hungary, in 1937, Dr. Racz's journey was marked by courage and perseverance. After fleeing the 1956 Hungarian Revolution, he rebuilt his life in the United Kingdom and later in the United States—bringing with him a steadfast dedication to healing and education.

In 1977, he became the founding Chair of the Department of Anesthesiology at **Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center** (TTUHSC), where he later co-directed Pain Services. His leadership helped build one of the first formal pain programs in the U.S., and he trained hundreds of fellows during his tenure.

Dr. Racz was instrumental in developing transformative procedures, most notably **epidural lysis of adhesions**, commonly known as the **Racz Procedure**. Designed to address chronic spinal pain resulting from post-surgical fibrosis or spinal stenosis, this breakthrough—together with the creation of the **Racz® Catheter**—has become an integral part of clinical practice and continues to influence pain management strategies across the globe.

His dedication to training others defined much of Dr. Racz's career. A lifelong educator and mentor, he believed deeply in the value of hands-on learning and clinical excellence. This commitment led to the creation of **Racz EDU**, an international training platform grounded in the techniques and principles he refined. Today, his teachings continue to shape the practice of interventional pain medicine around the world and to guide a new generation of specialists.

Dr. Racz also helped lay the foundations of the **World Institute of Pain (WIP)**, a global society through which thousands of pain physicians have been trained, certified, and connected through

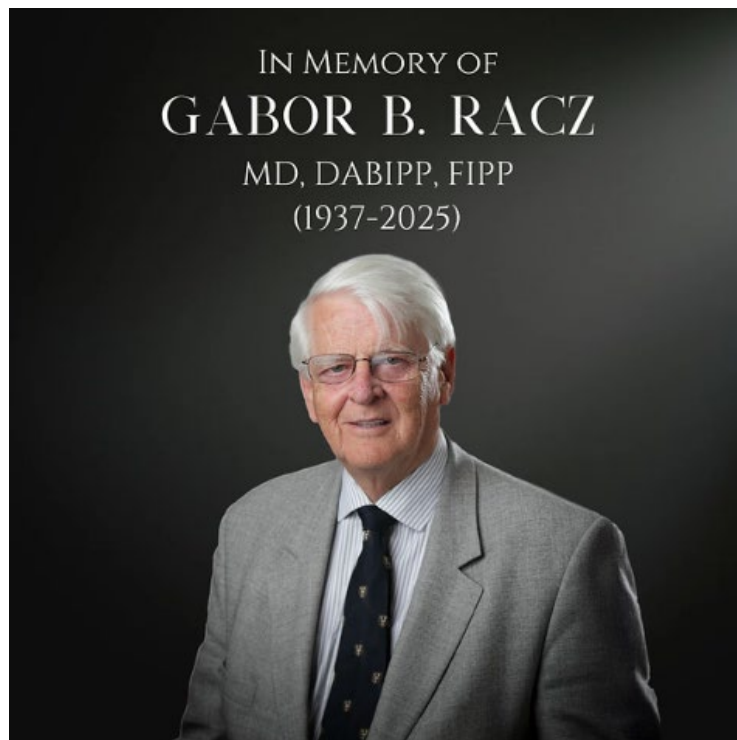


conferences worldwide. The **Annual Gabor Racz Pain Conference** in Budapest continues to honor his dedication to international medical education.

At **Epimed**, his legacy is deeply woven into the company's origins and ongoing mission. The medical devices and procedural tools he envisioned are at the heart of our work to minimize risk and improve outcomes.

We extend our heartfelt condolences to the Racz family and to the many clinicians, colleagues, and patients whose lives were touched by his expertise, compassion, and unwavering dedication.

Dr. Gabor Racz leaves behind a global legacy of healing, teaching, and innovation that will continue to inspire generations to come.



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