



Brief Bio

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William K. Schmidt, PhD, is head of NorthStar Consulting, LLC, which specializes in providing advice on preclinical and clinical studies of novel analgesic drugs. He is simultaneously President and CEO of Catalina Pharma, Inc. (Tucson, AZ), Senior VP of Global Clinical Development for Helixmith, Inc. (Seoul, South Korea), VP of Clinical Development for EicOsis, LLC (Davis, CA), and Chief Medical Officer for Ensysce Biosciences, Inc. (San Diego, CA). Throughout his career, Dr. Schmidt has headed both preclinical and clinical analgesic drug development activities for DuPont, DuPont Merck, Adolor, and Renovis. He has led teams in the development of Entereg (alvimopan), Acelex (polmacoxib), Nubain (nalbuphine), ReVia (naltrexone), and the oxycodone-ibuprofen formulation used in Combunox. Dr. Schmidt is the Parliamentarian and a Past-President of the Eastern Pain Association in New York City. He received the John J. Bonica award for the development of new analgesics and his sustained contributions to the educational efforts of the Eastern Pain Association in 2014.