Harris P. Mosher

Highly respected, feared yet revered by his students, Dr. Mosher attended Harvard College and the Harvard Medical School, receiving his MD degree in 1896. There were no formal residency training programs then, so he sought training at the best ear, nose and throat centers in Germany, namely, with Jansen in Berlin and Grunert in Halle. After returning home, Mosher became associated with the Massachusetts Eye and Ear Infirmary and the Harvard Medical School as an instructor in the department of anatomy.

He started the first course in sinus anatomy in the United States. This course was to become famous for its content and its progenitor and was appropriately named “Mosher’s course”. It endured for 35 years.

In 1919 he was appointed Professor of Laryngology at the Harvard Medical School and Chief of Laryngology at the Massachusetts General Hospital. In 1932 he was appointed to the Walter Augustus LaCompte Chair of Otology at Harvard and at age 66 became the second individual to hold two chairs at Harvard. Dr. Mosher was a member and became the president of all of our prominent national otolaryngology societies. When the American Board of Otolaryngology was formed in 1924 (the second certification board after ophthalmology in 1917*) he was chosen as its president and served in that capacity for 25 years. He was the recipient of the Semon Medal from the Royal Society of Medicine of London, the Gold Medal from the American Laryngological Association, and a service medal from the American Academy of Ophthalmology and Otolaryngology. He is known for his intranasal ethmoidectomy technique and his method for the removal of safety pins swallowed by babies, for which he was given a citation by the American College of Surgeons in 1934.

*Deliberations and progress in our specialty were interrupted by World War I. Also, there was growing resistance to authority to regulate specialty education and training--in essence, the transition from apprenticeships to formal training programs as we know them today. The need was urgent because some form of evaluation of physicians was needed to supplement the general licensing regulations of the various states’ Boards of Public Health.

This honor was created to perpetuate the ideals of the great teacher for whom it was named and to bestow upon a worthy recipient the responsibility of furthering the highest standards of perfection in the study, teaching and practice of Otolaryngology.

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 *Development of the Hearing Organ*  
 Lindsay L. Pratt, MD  
 *A Histochemical Study of the Course and Distribution of the Efferent Vestibular Fibers to the Maculae of the Saccule and Utricle* |
| 1970 | Herbert H. Dedo, MD  
 *The Paralyzed Larynx: An Electromyographic Study in Dogs and Humans* |
| 1971 | Byron J. Bailey, MD  
 *Partial Laryngectomy and Laryngoplasty* |
| 1972 | Hugh F. Biller, MD  
 *Pedicled Flaps: An Experimental and Clinical Study* |
| 1973 | Mark May, MD  
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 Andrew W. Miglets, MD  
 *The Experimental Production of Allergic Middle Ear Effusion* |
| 1974 | Robert W. Cantrell, MD  
 *Prolonged Exposure to Intermittent Noise* |
| 1975 | Donald G. Sessions, MD  
 *Surgical Pathology of Cancer of the Larynx and Hypopharynx* |
| 1976 | No Award |
| 1977 | Donald B. Hawkins, MD  
 *Hyaline Membrane Disease of the Neonate: Prolonged Intubation in Management - Effects on the Larynx* |
| 1978 | Robert A. Jahrsdoerfer, MD  
 *Congenital Atresia of the Ear* |
| 1979 | Arnold M. Noyek, MD  
 *Bone Scanning in Otolaryngology* |
| 1980 | H. Bryan Neel, MD  
 *Cryosurgery for the Treatment of Cancer* |
| 1981 | Bruce A. Feldman, MD  
 *Rhabdomyosarcoma of the Head and Neck* |
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*Experiments in Laryngeal Reinnervation* |
| 1983 | S. George Lesinski, MD 
*Homograft Tympanoplasty in Perspective - A Long-Term Clinical-Histologic Study of Formalin-Fixed Tympanic Membranes Used for the Reconstruction of 125 Severely Damaged Middle Ears* |
| 1984 | Irwin F. Stewart, MD  
*A Study of Some Aspects of Deaf Education from an Otolaryngological Viewpoint* |
| 1985 | Frank E. Lucente, MD  
*Computerized Data Base of Drug Interactions* |
| 1986 | Harold C. Pillsbury, MD  
*Hypertension Hyperlipoproteinemia and Chronic Noise Exposure: Is There Synergism in Cochlear Pathology* |
| 1987 | James N. Thompson, MD  
*Corrosive Esophageal Injury: A Study of Nine Patients with Concurrent Accidental Caustic Ingestion and An Investigation of Treatment Methods and Histochemical Analysis of Esophageal Strictures in a New Animal Model* |
| 1988 | Thomas V. McCaffrey, MD  
*Physiologic Control of Nasal Airway Resistance* |
| 1989 | Arnold Komisar, MD  
*The Functional Result of Mandibular Reconstruction* |
| 1989 | Bernard R. Marsh, MD  
*Bronchoscopic Brachytherapy* |
| 1990 | Patrick J. Gullane, MD  
*Primary Mandibular Reconstruction: Analysis of 64 Cases and Evaluation of Interface Radiation Dosimetry on Bridging Plates* |
| 1991 | Robin T. Cotton, MD  
*The Problem with Pediatric Laryngotracheal Stenosis* |
| 1992 | Myles L. Pensak, MD  
*The Cavernous Sinus: An Anatomic Study with Clinical Implication* |
| 1993 | Ronald A. Hoffman, MD  
*Cerebrospinal Fluid Leak Following Acoustic Neuroma Removal* |
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| 1995 | Fred Herzon, MD  
| 1996 | Stimson P. Schantz, MD  
_Genetic Susceptibility to Head and Neck Cancer: The Interaction Between Nutrition and Mutagen Sensitivity_ |
| 1997 | Scott C. Manning, MD and Marie Holman, MD  
_Further Evidence for Allergic Pathophysiology in Allergic Fungal Sinusitis_ |
| 1998 | No Award |
| 1999 | Dennis S. Poe, MD  
_Laser Assisted Endoscopic Stapedectomy - Prospective Study_ |
| 2000 | Lyon L. Gleich, MD  
_Gene Therapy for Head and Neck Cancer_  
David J. Terris, MD  
_Head and Neck Cancer: Oxygen May Not Be So Important_ |
| 2001 | Joseph G. Feghali, MD  
_L-NAC Protection Against Cisplatin-Induced Auditory Neuronal and Hair Cell Toxicity_ |
| 2002 | Wendell G. Yarbrough, MD  
_The ARF-p16 Gene Locus in Carcinogenesis and Therapy of Head and Neck Squamous Cell Carcinoma_ |
| 2003 | Edward M. Monsell, MD PhD  
_The Mechanism of Hearing Loss in Paget's Disease of Bone_ |
| 2004 | Craig A. Buchman, MD  
_Vestibular Effects of Cochlear Implantation_ |
| 2005 | Francisco J. Civantos, MD  
_Lymphatic Mapping and Sentinel Lymphadenectomy for 106 Head and Lesions: Contrasts Between Oral Cavity and Cutaneous Malignancy_ |
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*Laryngeal Cancer in the United States: Changes in Demographics, Patterns of Care and Survival*  
Dana M. Thompson, MD  
*Abnormal Sensorimotor Integrative Function of the Larynx in Congenital Laryngomalacia: A Novel New Theory of Etiology* |
| 2007 | Erin D. Wright, MD  
*Impact of Perioperative Systemic Steroids on Surgical Outcomes in Patients with Chronic Rhinosinusitis with Polyposis: Evaluation with the Novel Postoperative Sinus Endoscopy (POSE) Scoring System* |
| 2008 | Robert C. O’Reilly, MD  
*The Role of Extraesophageal Reflux in Otitis Media in Infants and Children* |
| 2009 | Steven J. Wang, MD FACS  
*CD44 Variant Isoforms in Head and Neck Squamous Cell Carcinoma Progression* |
| 2010 | Adrian L. James, MD  
*The Assessment of Olivocochlear Function in Neonates with Real Time Distortion Product Otoacoustic Emissions* |
| 2011 | Robert L. Ferris, MD PhD FACS  
*Rapid Molecular Detection of Metastatic Head and Neck Squamous Cell Carcinoma as an Intraoperative Adjunct to Sentinel Lymph Node Biopsy* |
| 2012 | Nira A. Goldstein, MD MPH  
*Validation of a Clinical Assessment Score for Pediatric Sleep Disordered Breathing*  
Judith E.C. Lieu, MD MSPH  
*Longitudinal Study of Children with Unilateral Hearing Loss* |
| 2013 | Joseph M. Chen, MD  
*Cost Utility Assessment of Bilateral Cochlear Implantation: A Health Economic Evaluation in Adults from the Perspective of a Publicly Funded Program*  
Adam M. Zanation, MD  
*How Does Coordinated Multidisciplinary Care Impact Head and Neck Tumor Treatment Planning? A Prospective Evaluation of a Multidisciplinary Tumor Conference* |
| 2014 | George B. Wanna, MD FACS  
*The Impact of Electrode Type and Surgical Approach on Scalar Electrode Location and Hearing Outcomes in Cochlear Implantation* |
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| 2016 | Giovana R. Thomas, MD FACS  
_Human Papillomavirus (HPV) Induced Oropharyngeal Cancer in Hispanics in the US: Differences in Clinical Presentation and Survival Outcomes_ |
| 2017 | Jonathan M. Bock, MD  
_Evaluation of the Natural History of Patients Who Aspirate_ |
| 2018 | Aaron C. Moberly, MD  
_How Does Aging Affect Recognition of Spectrally Degraded Speech?_ |
| 2019 | David P. Goldstein, MD MSc FRCSC FACS  
_Frailty as a Predictor of Outcomes in Patients Undergoing Major Surgery for Head and Neck Cancer: A Prospective Cohort Study_ |