



The American Academy of  
Dermatology would like to thank



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2021 Stars of the Academy  
Awards Ceremony



## Gold Medal Award

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Dirk M. Elston, MD, FAAD

The Gold Medal is the American Academy of Dermatology's highest award. It is presented on a highly selective basis in recognition of outstanding and exceptional service to the specialty of dermatology in the science, teaching and practice of cutaneous medicine and surgery. It is also considered for those who have made an outstanding and exceptional contribution to the administrative aspects of this specialty, nationally or internationally.



# Master Dermatologist Award

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Timothy G. Berger, MD, FAAD

The Master Dermatologist Award recognizes an Academy member who throughout the span of his or her career has made significant contributions to the specialty of dermatology as well as to the leadership and/or educational programs of the American Academy of Dermatology.



# Thomas G. Pearson, Ed. D. Memorial Education Award

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Wilma F. Bergfeld, MD, FAAD

The Thomas G. Pearson, EdD, Memorial Education Award recognizes a member of the Academy who has advanced the organization's educational mission through significant contribution of time, development of educational programs, coordination of educational activities, and more. Established in 2002, the award also serves as a memorial to the late Dr. Thomas G. Pearson, who was the Academy's director of education from 1987 to 2001.



# Honorary Membership

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Honorary Membership was bestowed on the following member for his long record of distinguished service to the American Academy of Dermatology.

Marcus A. Conant, MD, FAAD





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Howard I. Maibach, MD, FAAD





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Suzanne Olbricht, MD, FAAD



"I think my greatest accomplishments were that I worked to foster a collaborative partnership between the professional staff and the member leaders to accomplish the work of the Academy more effectively in all of its programs and initiatives. Emphasized a forward look at our challenges and opportunities and as President pushed the Board to define our momentum during a Strategy Retreat.

As Treasurer, changing and standardizing the budget process to include more member input and accountability as well as advocating and implementing a requirement that the final budget include an operating margin, including the creation of a quasi-endowment fund and applying substantial savings annually to ensure future financial stability.

Supporting DataDerm from concept to full implementation by assuring the presence of financial and Board support at all times."



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Elise Olsen, MD, FAAD



"During my academic career in Dermatology, I have focused on what some would feel are two very disparate areas, hair disorders and cutaneous lymphoma. Both fields, however, have offered so many opportunities for someone who is clinician and clinical researcher to help individual patients in a meaningful way while also advancing patient care by critical observation, recognition of gaps in knowledge, and creation of the methods to fill those gaps. The two editions of my textbook, *Hair Disorders: Diagnosis and Treatment*, filled a gap in the overall education of the disorders of hair loss and led the way to multiple consensus conferences on better understanding on what we now call female pattern hair loss and central centrifugal cicatricial alopecia. In both hair disorders and cutaneous lymphoma, I have worked to develop standardized methodology and multidisciplinary guidelines for clinical trials that have encouraged and promoted FDA approval of new medications. Importantly, these advances have been done in concert with my colleagues in dermatology, pathology, and oncology, emphasizing the importance of collaborative work and consensus building."



## Honorary Membership

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Amy S. Paller, MD, FAAD



"I think that my greatest accomplishments have been in advancing the field of pediatric dermatology, nurturing and mentoring young dermatologists, and in establishing new organizations that are taking us into the future. And perhaps as important as any other accomplishment, through my own practice and advocacy groups I have established relationships with so many patients with chronic life-altering diseases, changing their lives and reducing the burden on their families."



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Charles W. Stiefel, MD, FAAD



"I think the primary way that I contributed to the field of dermatology was by offering innovative products that were beneficial to patients. Through the years, we were responsible for several important therapeutic innovations. We were, for example, the first company to utilize topical benzoyl peroxide in the treatment of acne."



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Dirk M. Elston, MD, FAAD



"I've been blessed with many opportunities to teach gifted students who continue to pay it forward."



# Outgoing Officers

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The American Academy of Dermatology thanks the following officers, who completed their term in March 2021, for their dedication and service to the Academy.



Bruce H. Thiers, MD, FAAD,  
President



Susan C. Taylor, MD, FAAD,  
Vice President



George J. Hruza, MD, MBA, FAAD,  
Immediate Past President



# Outgoing Board of Director Members

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The American Academy of Dermatology thanks the following directors, who completed their term on the Board of Directors in March 2021, for their dedication and service to the Academy.



Valerie Callender, MD, FAAD



Patricia K. Farris, MD, FAAD



Robert S. Kirsner, MD, PhD, FAAD



Robert A. Weiss, MD, FAAD



## Outgoing Young Physician Board Observer

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Travis W. Blalock, MD, FAAD

## Outgoing Residents/Fellows Board Observer

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Tanya Greywal, MD, FAAD



# Professionalism Award

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This individual is being recognized for his longstanding commitment to the highest standards of professionalism and medical ethics.

Stephen B. Webster, MD, FAAD





# William D. James, MD

## Mentor of the Year Award

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This individual is being recognized for demonstrating throughout her career a long-standing commitment to mentoring students, trainees, and/or junior faculty.



Sylvia Hsu, MD, FAAD



# Young Investigators Award

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The Academy members below were recognized with the Young Investigator Award for their significant research advances in the science and practice of dermatology.



Allison Billi, MD, PhD, FAAD



Joy Wan, MD, MSCE, FAAD



# Advocate of the Year Award

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The American Academy of Dermatology Association is recognizing this individual who, over the course of the calendar year, went above and beyond in advocating on behalf of the specialty with elected officials in the federal, state, and local levels.



Amy J. Derick, MD, FAAD



# Cochrane Scholarship Award

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The following Academy members received the Cochrane Scholarship, which supports attendance of the Cochrane Colloquium.

The scholarship was developed to support training in and reach of evidence-based medicine in dermatology.



Brandon Adler, MD



Alex Ortega-Loayza, MD



# Excellence in Patient Care Award - Resident Quality Improvement Award

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These individuals are being recognized for their commitment and service to the specialty and the Academy facilitating quality improvement engagement among dermatology residents.



Kevin Chao, MD



Marie Donaldson, MD



Sungat Grewal, MD



Priscilla Kojder, MD



Connie Shi, MD



Paul Wirth, MD



# Presidential Citation Award

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Mariam Amin, MD

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Daniel D. Bennett, MD, FAAD

Elisa S. Gallo, MD, FAAD

Neal D. Bhatia, MD, FAAD

Brad P. Glick, DO, MPH, FAAD

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M. Laurin Council, MD, FAAD

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Amy J. Derick, MD, FAAD

George Han, MD, PhD, FAAD

Nkanyezi N. Ferguson, MD, FAAD

Matthew F. Helm, MD

Alexandra Flamm MD, FAAD

Zachary Holcomb, MD



# Presidential Citation Award

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George J. Hruza, MD, MBA, FAAD

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William D. James, MD, FAAD

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Leon H. Kircik, MD, FAAD

Michel A. McDonald, MD, FAAD

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Alexander Miller MD, FAAD

Carrie L. Kovarik, MD, FAAD

Sara Moghaddam, MD, FAAD

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Henry W. Lim, MD, FAAD

Melissa Piliang, MD, FAAD

Shari Lipner, MD, PhD, FAAD

Farhaad R. Riyaz, MD, FAAD

Mollie A. MacCormack, MD, FAAD

Howard W. Rogers, MD, PhD, FAAD



# Presidential Citation Award

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Tova Rogers, MD, MFA

Steven B. Sloan, MD, FAAD

Bethany R. Rohr, MD, FAAD

Stephen P. Stone, MD, FAAD

Lorraine L. Rosamilia, MD, FAAD

Marta J. Van Beek, MD, MPH, FAAD

Theodore Rosen, MD, FAAD

Rebecca Vasquez, MD, FAAD

Nidhi Shah, MD

Jashin J. Wu, MD, FAAD



# Model State Award

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Indiana Academy of Dermatology

Iowa Dermatological Society

Louisiana Dermatological Society

Rhode Island Dermatology Society

Wisconsin Dermatological Society



# Model State with Honors Award

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Alabama Dermatology Society

Colorado Dermatologic Society

Dermatological Society of New Jersey

Massachusetts Academy of Dermatology

Michigan Dermatological Society

Minnesota Dermatological Society

Missouri Dermatological Society, Inc.

Oregon Dermatology Society

South Carolina Academy of Dermatology and Dermatologic Surgery

Virginia Dermatology Society



# SSTAR Award

(State Society Transformation, Advocacy, and Retention)

## Model State with Highest Honors

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California Society of Dermatology & Dermatologic Surgery

Florida Society of Dermatology and Dermatologic Surgery

Maryland Dermatologic Society

North Carolina Dermatology Association

Ohio Dermatological Association, Inc.

Pennsylvania Academy of Dermatology & Dermatologic Surgery

Texas Dermatological Society



# Outgoing Committee Chairs

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# Outgoing Committee Chairs

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Member Communications Committee

Amit G. Pandya, MD, FAAD  
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Mohs Micrographic Surgery Committee

Ilona J. Frieden, MD, FAAD  
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Wilma Bergfeld, MD, FAAD  
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Jean L. Bolognia, MD, FAAD  
Organizational Structure Committee

Junko Takeshita, MD, PhD, FAAD  
Patient Safety and Quality Committee

Mary E. Maloney, MD, FAAD  
Professionalism & Ethics Committee

Rajiv Nijhawan, MD, FAAD  
Public Education Committee

Tanya Greywal, MD, FAAD  
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Sheila F. Friedlander, MD, FAAD  
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Travis W. Blalock, MD, FAAD  
Young Physicians Committee



# Outgoing Council Chairs

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Michel A. McDonald, MD, FAAD  
Council on Practice Management



Karen McKoy, MD, MPH, FAAD  
Council on Member Services



# Marion B. Sulzberger, MD Memorial Award

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In recognition of his work directing the Vitiligo Clinic and Research Center  
and research to develop more effective treatments for vitiligo.



John Harris, MD, PhD, FAAD



# Clarence S. Livingood, MD Award

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In recognition of her work using telemedicine to provide access to dermatologic care in underserved areas.



Karen E. Edison, MD, FAAD



# Lila and Murray Gruber Memorial Cancer Research Award

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In recognition of her work leading the Melanoma Program in the  
Sidney Kimmel Comprehensive Cancer Center.



Suzanne L. Topalian, MD



# Eugene J. Van Scott Award for Innovative Therapy of the Skin and Phillip Frost Leadership Lecture

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In recognition of her innovative approach to autoimmune therapy that uses targeted therapy to eliminate the B cells responsible for disease. This innovative approach to therapy has the potential to profoundly change our approach to therapy of pemphigus and other autoimmune diseases.



Aimee S. Payne, MD, PhD, FAAD