About the Award…

Each year, the International Council selects a speaker to deliver the Keith Reimer Distinguished Lecture at the World Congress or at the annual section meeting of one of the six ISHR Sections on a rotating basis. The purpose of this lecture is to honor the memory of Dr. Reimer and to recognize his contributions to cardiovascular research. The topic of the lecture must be in the field of cardiovascular research. The speaker receives a plaque and $1,000 honorarium in addition to travel expenses.

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Barbara Casadei is a British Heart Foundation (BHF) Professor of Cardiovascular Medicine at the University of Oxford and Honorary Consultant Cardiologist at the Oxford University Hospitals NHS Trust where she leads the Cardiovascular Theme of the National Institute for Health Research (NIHR) Biomedical Research Centre and is Steering Committee Member of the BHF Centre for Research Excellence.

Professor Casadei graduated in Medicine (cum Laude & Gold Medal) at the University of Pavia, Italy and moved to Oxford in 1989 to undertake her clinical and research training. She was awarded the Joan and Richard Doll Fellowship at Green College in 1991, a DPhil in Cardiovascular Medicine in 1995, and a BHF Senior Research Fellowship in 2001.

She is Fellow of the UK Academy of Medical Sciences, holds the highest honour of the British Cardiovascular Society (The Mackenzie Medal) and of the European Society of Cardiology (Gold Medal), and is the Immediate Past President of the ESC.

Professor Casadei is member of several Scientific Advisory (e.g., the Fondation Leducq, the Netherlands Heart Institute, the German Centre for Cardiovascular Research (DZHK) and the UKRI Medical Research Council) and Editorial Boards (e.g., Cardiovascular Research; Circulation; European Heart Journal; Circulation Research) and has delivered numerous international prize lectures including, The William Harvey Lecture on Basic Science and Silver Medal of the ESC, The Thomas Lewis Lecture and Silver Medal of the British Cardiovascular Society and the Roman W. DeSanctis Lecture of the Harvard Medical School.

She provides a clinical service at the John Radcliffe Hospital in Oxford and leads a translational research programme focussed on atrial fibrillation and myocardial redox signalling, which spans from bench-based investigations in human tissue and cells to clinical trials.

Previous Award Winners…

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Fabio Di Lisa, MD: 2014
Karina Sipido, MD, PhD: 2013
Metin Avkiran, DSc, PhD: 2012
Charles Murry, MD, PhD: 2011
Richard Moss, PhD: 2010
Elizabeth Murphy, PhD: 2009
David Eisner, PhD: 2008
Eduardo Marbán, MD: 2007
Garrett Gross, PhD: 2006
Masao Endoh, MD, PhD: 2005
R. John Solaro, PhD: 2004
Gerd Heusch, MD, PhD: 2003
Roberto Bolli, MD: 2002