Distinguished Lifetime Achievement Award Dr. Victor J. Dzau



President, Institute of Medicine National Academy of Sciences

Dr. Dzau has made a significant impact on medicine through his seminal research in cardiovascular medicine and genetics, his pioneering of the discipline of vascular medicine, and his leadership in health care innovation.

Victor J. Dzau is President of the Institute of Medicine, Chancellor Emeritus at Duke University and former CEO of the Duke University Health System. He has led efforts in innovation to improve health, including developing the Duke Translational Medicine Institute, Duke Global Health Institute. He has served on the Advisory Committee to the Director of National Institutes of Health (NIH) and chaired the NIH Cardiovascular Disease Advisory Committee.

He is a member of Member of IOM, National Academy of Sciences, American Academy of Arts and Sciences, European Academy of Sciences and Arts, Academic Sinica. He is the 2005 Ellis Island Medal of Honor. Dr. Dzau's past academic positions also included: faculty & Chair at Medical Schools of Harvard University & of Stanford University.

He was born in Shanghai and grew up in Hong Kong. He received his M.D. both from the medical school at McGill University and King's College in London. Currently he is a member of the Board of the Singapore Health System and Hamad Medical Corporation, Qatar. He chaired the Global Agenda Council on Personalized and Precision Medicine of the World Economic Forum.

Among his honors and recognitions are the Gustav Nylin Medal from the Swedish Royal College of Medicine; the Max Delbruck Medal from Humboldt University, Charité, and the Max Planck Institute; the Commemorative Gold Medal from the Ludwig Maximilian University of Munich; the Inaugural Hatter Award from the Medical Research Council of South Africa; the Polzer Prize from the European Academy of Sciences and Arts; the Novartis Award for Hypertension Research; the Distinguished Scientist Award from the American Heart Association (AHA); and the AHA Research Achievement Award for his contributions to cardiovascular biology and medicine. Recently, he was awarded the Singapore National Day Public Service Medal. He has received six honorary doctorates.