



ADVANCING THE CARE OF PATIENTS WITH KNEE DISORDERS THROUGH LEADERSHIP IN EDUCATION AND RESEARCH

The Knee Society's

Lifetime Achievement Award

Be it resolved that the Executive Board of The Knee Society desires to recognize the accomplishments of the distinguished persons who have created a legacy of contributions to study arthritic diseases of the knee. This honor is named the Lifetime Achievement Award.

Criteria for the Lifetime Achievement Award

1. **Annual Solicitation of Nominations**

Nominations for the Lifetime Achievement Award will be solicited annually. However, the frequency of solicitation may be adjusted at the discretion of the Executive Board, based on recommendations from the Selection Committee.

2. **Multiple Recipients**

More than one recipient may be selected in any given year, at the discretion of the Lifetime Award Selection Committee.

3. **Membership Not Required**

Nominees are not required to be members of The Knee Society.

4. **Posthumous Recognition**

The Award may be conferred posthumously.

5. **Impact and Innovation**

Nominees must have made pioneering and original contributions to the field of knee arthroplasty or closely related disciplines. These contributions may include, but are not limited to, the development of innovative surgical techniques, implant design and technology, influential clinical protocols, conceptual advancements that have reshaped understanding and treatment of knee pathology, and substantial legacy in physician education and mentorship. The nominees' work should demonstrate a lasting influence across institutions, regions, and generations, with particular recognition of those who have shaped the future of the field through the training and guidance of peers and the next generation of surgeons.

6. Scholarly Legacy

Nominees must have published a distinguished body of scholarly work—such as peer-reviewed articles or books—that reflects enduring quality, rigor, and significance. This body of work should be widely cited, respected within the academic and clinical communities, and reflective of both seminal achievements and sustained excellence over the nominee’s career.

7. Submission Requirements

Nominations must be submitted by members of The Knee Society, with one member designated as the primary nominator and two additional members serving as seconders. Completed nominations are due by **July 1** of the year in which the call for nominations is issued.

8. Selection Committee Composition

The Lifetime Award Selection Committee shall consist of five (5) members: the current President of The Knee Society, the Immediate Past President, and the three Vice Presidents.

9. Executive Board Approval

Selected nominees will be presented to the Executive Board of The Knee Society during the Members’ Meeting and must be approved by a simple majority vote.

10. Award Presentation

Upon approval by the Executive Board, the Award will be presented to the recipient or their designated representative at the subsequent Open (Specialty Day) Meeting of The Knee Society or at another prominent educational forum under the auspices of The Knee Society.

11. Honorary Membership

Any recipient who is not already a member of The Knee Society will be granted honorary membership as part of the Award.

The Knee Society’s

Lifetime Achievement Award Recipients

2010

David S. Hungerford, MD
Kenneth A. Krackow, MD

2011

Chitranjan S. Ranawat, MD

2012

John N. Insall, MD †

2015

Richard D. Scott, MD

2018

Peter S. Walker, PhD
Richard S. Laskin, MD †

2020

Albert H. Burstein, PhD
Leo A. Whiteside, MD

2022

Lawrence D. Dorr, MD †

2024

Gerard A. Engh, MD
Merrill A. Ritter, MD

2025

Paul A. Lotke, MD
W. Norman Scott, MD

2026

Robert E. Booth, Jr., MD †
A. Seth Greenwald, D.Phil (Oxon)

† awarded posthumously