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1984  Edward Yellin
      “Understanding Diastolic Function – The Impact of Invasive Transmitral Flow Measurements”

1985  A. Jamil Tajik
      “Doppler Echocardiography in Clinical Cardiology: A Critical Appraisal”

1986  Robert A. O’Rourke
      "Current Trends in Clinical Cardiology: A Road to Folly"

1987  Ralph Shabeta
      "Function of the Pericardium"

1988  John B. Barlow
      "Mitral Leaflet Billowing and Prolapse: Perspectives After Nearly Three Decades"

1989  T. Joseph Reeve
      "Bedside Cardiology in a High-Tech Era"

1990  William H. Gaasch
      "Clinical Implications of Left Ventricle Diastolic Dysfunction"

1991  Liv K. Hatle
      "Limitations of Noninvasive Assessment by Doppler Echocardiography"

1992  J. Willis Hurst
      “An ‘Unconventional’ Teaching Session”

1993  Nathaniel Reichek
      “Laennec and Technology: Prescription for Year 2000”

1994  Michael H Crawford
      “Cardiac Diagnostics Test Selection Under Health Care Reform”

1995  Elliott Rapaport
      “The Role of Clinical Evaluation in the Managed Care Era”
1996  Robert O Bonow
“Left Ventricular Function and the Timing of Operation for Chronic Aortic Regurgitation”

1997  William J McKenna
“Prognostic Assessment of Patients with Hypertrophic Cardiomyopathy”

1998  Blase A Carabello
“Operating on Asymptomatic Patients with Valvular Heart Disease: If It’s Bad, Why Not Fix It?”

1999  Gottlieb C Friesinger II
“Cardiac Disease in the Elderly: Calcific Aortic Stenosis”

2000  Hein JJ Wellens
“Sudden Cardiac Death: Are We on the Right Track?”

2001  Victor Dzau, MD
“Renin Angiotensis and Cardiovascular Disease: 2001 and Beyond”

2002  Kanu Chatterjee, MD
“Determination of Hemodynamics by Physical Examination”

2003  R Wayne Alexander, MD, PhD
“Pathogenesis of Atherosclerosis: Enhanced Oxidation States as a Unifying Mechanism”

2004  Nanette Wenger
“Coronary Heart Disease in Women 2004: Problems, Progress, Prospects”

2005  Richard Kerber, MD, FAHA
“Cardiac Arrest and Resuscitation: Bringing Technology from the Hospital to the Street”

2006  Gary Francis, MD, FAHA
“The Contemporary Management of Patients Admitted to Hospital with Acute Decompensated Heart Failure”

2007  Rick Nishimura, MD, FAHA
“Unraveling the Mysteries of Diastology”
2008  P.K. Shah, MD, FAHA
“The Gene from Limone: Is it Golden or Not?”

2009  William Grossman, MD, FAHA
“Diastolic Function: Past, Present and Future”

2010  Renu Virmani, MD
“Evolving DES Platforms”

2011  Linda Gillam, MD
“Valvular Heart Disease: From Bedside to Bench and Back Again”

2012  Patrick O’Gara, MD, FAHA
“Asymptomatic Valvular Heart Disease: Can Earlier Intervention Be Justified?”

2013  Kim Eagle, MD
“Acute Aortic Syndromes: New insights from IRAD and GenTAC Registries”

2014  Harry (Hal) Dietz, MD
“Found in Translation: New Insights into the Pathogenesis and Treatment of Marfan Syndrome and Related Disorder”

2015  Clyde W. Yancey, MD, MSc, MACC
“Heart failure in special populations; the intersection of clinical, basic and population science”