AATS Lifetime Achievement Award

Timothy J. Gardner, MD
Christiana Care Health System
AATS Scientific Achievement Award
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James L. Cox, MD
Washington University
**Mission:** Driving leadership, learning, and innovation in the pursuit of excellence.

**Vision and Values:** We envision a dynamic and innovative future of continued excellence for cardiothoracic surgery. However, we can only strive to achieve Excellence by adhering to our values:

- **Academic Exchange:** It is our past and our future
- **Innovation and Collaboration:** Working together to advance and achieve our mission
- **Advancing Patient Care:** Our cornerstone as physicians
- **Fostering Leadership:** Maintaining excellence for future generations
- **Trusted Stewardship:** Honoring our history and safeguarding our future
Honoring Our Mentors Fellowship

Honors those cardiothoracic surgeons who have demonstrated longstanding leadership and dedication over the course of their careers to the surgical specialty and their trainees

F. Griffith Pearson Fellowship
Annually provides an educational experience for North American General Thoracic surgeons who have recently completed their residency or fellowship to spend a focused period of four (4) to six (6) weeks time studying clinical techniques at a host institution in North America. Successful applicants receive a grant of $3,500 to defray living expenses during the four to six weeks of training.

Marc de Leval Fellowship
Aimed at providing young North American trainees and early career congenital heart surgeons with an opportunity to spend four (4) to six (6) weeks studying congenital heart surgery clinical techniques at UK/European institutions and developing relationships with international congenital heart surgeons.
2015-2016
Graham
Traveling Fellow
Yaxing Shen, MD
Fudan University
Shanghai, China

Host Sponsor: Thomas D’Amico, MD
Host Institution: Duke University
2015-2017
Third
Alton Ochsner
Research
Scholar
Jonathan Spicer, MD
McGill University

“The role of neutrophil extracellular traps in cancer metastasis”
Prashanth Vallabhajosyula, MD
University of Pennsylvania

“Donor heart-specific exosome platform for monitoring rejection in heart transplantation”
F. Griffith Pearson Fellow
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James Lubawski, MD
Central DuPage Hospital

*Host Sponsor:* Ara Vaporciyan, MD
*Host Institution:* MD Anderson Cancer Center
*Focus:* Advanced lung cancer cases
F. Griffith Pearson Fellow

Pablo Sanchez, MD
University of Maryland

Host Sponsor: Shaf Keshavjee, MD
Host Institution: University of Toronto
Focus: Building Ex Vivo Perfusion skills