

Prof. Roberto Bolli, MD, PhD, DSc (Hon)
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Dr. Bolli graduated from the University of Perugia (Italy). In 1983, he joined the Faculty at Baylor College of Medicine, where he rose to the rank of Professor with tenure. In 1994, he became Chief of the Division of Cardiovascular Medicine at the University of Louisville, a position that he held for 26 years. He is Director of the Institute of Molecular Cardiology, a Distinguished University Scholar, and the Jewish Hospital Distinguished Chair in Cardiology. Twice at two different institutions (Baylor and University of Louisville), Dr. Bolli developed a leading research program starting from zero and with almost no philanthropic support. Major awards include American Society for Clinical Investigation, Association of American Physicians, NIH MERIT Award (2001-2010), Basic Research Prize, Am Heart Assoc (AHA), Research Achievement Award, International Society for Heart Research (ISHR), Ken Bowman Research Award, Univ. of Manitoba, Louis and Artur Lucian Award, McGill University, Howard Morgan Award, International Academy of Cardiovascular Sciences (IACS), Distinguished Achievement Award of the AHA, Distinguished Scientist Award of the AHA, Award of Meritorious Achievement of the AHA (2010), Walter B. Cannon Award, Am Physiol Society, Carl J. Wiggers Award, Am Physiol Society, Rocovich Gold Medal for Excellence in Science, Edward Via College of Osteopathic Medicine, Medal of Merit of the IACS, Research Achievement Award of the AHA, Peter Harris Distinguished Scientist Award of the ISHR, Jay & Jeanie Schottenstein Prize in Cardiovascular Sciences, "Perugian in the World" Award, Honorable Maestro Award, KY Chapter of ACC, Lifetime Achievement Award by the Serbia Physiological Society, Gold Medal, University of Manitoba, Doctor Honoris Causa, University of Kragujevac, Listed among Best Medicine Scientists (Top 1%) on Research.com.

Dr. Bolli has delivered 349 lectures. NIH activities: Member of the CVB Study Section, NHLBI Program Project Review Committee, and NHLBI Advisory Council. AHA activities: Chair of: Pathophysiology Review Committee, Council on Basic Cardiovascular Sciences, Distinguished Scientist Selection Committee, and Council Operations Committee; member of numerous committees; member of the Board of Directors. International Society for Heart Research: Secretary General, Treasurer, and President. International Academy of Cardiovascular Sciences: President. Editorial activities: Dr. Bolli was Associate Editor of the Journal of Molecular and Cellular Cardiology, Guest Editor of Circulation, Editor-in-Chief of Circulation Research (2009-2019), and currently Editor-in-Chief of Molecular and Cellular Biochemistry. Dr. Bolli has been PI in many NIH grants over 40 years: a P01 grant, a UM1 grant (CCTRN), a U24 grant (CAESAR), a DoD grant (CATO), and numerous R01 grants. He has published 500 papers, including 307 original articles. Total number of citations: 60,551; Hirsch factor: 130 (Google Scholar).

Dr. Bolli's early research focused on the mechanisms responsible for myocardial ischemia/reperfusion injury and on the development of cardioprotective strategies. He is currently investigating the use of cell therapy to repair injured myocardium.