Department of Cardiothoracic Surgery

Third Annual Dr. Lawrence H. and Mrs. Roberta Cohn Visiting Professor Lecture

Friday, September 29, 2017
8:30-9:30 a.m.
James H. Clark Center
318 Campus Drive, Stanford

“Thoracoabdominal Aortic Aneurysm: You Say Want a Revolution? From Open to Endovascular”

Dr. Joseph S. Coselli

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In 2005, Dr. Cohn received the Paul Dudley White Award, the highest award given by the American Heart Association.

Throughout his career, Dr. Cohn assumed leadership roles in many professional organizations. He served as chair of the Brigham and Women’s Physicians Organization, chair of the Physician and Scientist Fundraising Group at the Brigham and Women’s Hospital and physician director of Medical Device Technology for Partners HealthCare Systems. He was president of the American Association for Thoracic Surgery, American College of Chest Physicians, and the Thoracic Surgery Foundation for Research and Education. He was chairman of the Board of the National Library of Medicine. He held leadership roles in the American Board of Thoracic Surgery and American College of Cardiology and honorary memberships in four international professional organizations.

Dr. Cohn’s clinical and research interests spanned the entirety of adult cardiac surgery. He published over 440 original scientific articles and 12 books, including Cardiac Surgery in the Adult, 2nd and 3rd editions. He served on the editorial board of 14 prestigious journals and was editor of the Journal of Thoracic and Cardiovascular Surgery, the most referenced journal in the field.

Dr. Cohn also was also active in the community as a board member of the Boston Symphony Orchestra and the Boys and Girls Club of Boston.

Along with his wife Roberta, Dr. Cohn is survived by daughters Leslie Bernstein and Jennifer Cohn, granddaughters Carly and Rachel, grandson Cameron, and son-in-law Stephen Bernstein.
Welcome

Dear Colleagues,

It is a privilege to welcome you to the Third Annual Dr. Lawrence H. and Mrs. Roberta Cohn Visiting Professor Lecture.

To serve as this year’s visiting lecturer, we are honored to have Dr. Joseph S. Coselli, Professor, Vice Chair and Chief at Baylor College of Medicine, and former AATS president. I welcome you and thank you for joining us on this special event.

Sincerely,

Joseph Woo, MD

Lawrence H. Cohn, M.D.

Dr. Lawrence H. Cohn was born in San Francisco, California. He received his baccalaureate with honors from the University of California, Berkeley, and his M.D. from Stanford School of Medicine. He received graduate training at Boston City Hospital, National Heart Institute, University of California, San Francisco, and Stanford University, where he was one of Dr. Norman Shumway’s early trainees.

Dr. Cohn was on the staff of the Brigham and Women’s Hospital for his entire career, beginning in 1971. He was chief of the Brigham cardiac surgery program for decades. He was a professor of surgery at Harvard Medical School beginning in 1980. In 2000, he was awarded the first endowed chair in cardiac surgery, the Virginia and James Hubbard Chair in cardiac surgery. Harvard also awarded Dr. Cohn an honorary Masters of Medicine in 1989. The University of Paris awarded him a Doctor Honoris Causa in 1992.

Dr. Cohn performed over 11,000 cardiac surgical operations and was a world-renowned expert in the field of valve repair and replacement surgery and minimally invasive heart valve surgery. He trained more than 150 residents and fellows at Brigham and Women’s Hospital/Children’s Hospital Medical Center cardiothoracic residency program. Graduates of this program occupy responsible positions at major medical centers worldwide. Thirty have gone on to be division chiefs or department chairs.
Dr. Coselli is the vice-chair of the Michael E. DeBakey Department of Surgery, holds the Cullen Foundation Endowed Chair, and is professor and chief of the division of cardiothoracic surgery at Baylor College of Medicine (BCM). He serves as chief of adult cardiac surgery at Texas Heart Institute (THI) and associate chief of the cardiovascular service at Baylor St. Luke’s Medical Center, located in the Texas Medical Center in Houston, Texas. He is program director of the thoracic surgery residency at THI/BCM and directs the aortic fellowship program at Baylor College of Medicine.

Dr. Coselli specializes in the evaluation and surgical treatment of diseases of the aorta, and was mentored by the pioneering aortic surgeon, E. Stanley Crawford. A Houston native, he received an introduction to cardiothoracic surgery from Dr. Denton Cooley, and as a surgical resident, was instructed by Dr. Michael E. DeBakey. Years later, Dr. Coselli, among others, helped to facilitate reconciliation between these pioneering giants of their field. He has performed more than 10,000 repairs of the aorta and more than 3,500 repairs of thoracoabdominal aortic aneurysms, for which he is world-renowned. He has published more than 500 medical manuscripts and delivered more than 750 presentations in 27 countries, including the Emil T. Hofman Lectureship (University of Notre Dame), Leriche Lecture (European Society for Cardiovascular Surgery), Julian Johnson Visiting Lectureship (University of Pennsylvania), Mary and Wendell Ormston Endowed Lectureship (Robert Wood Johnson Medical School), Frank Randolph Johnston Lectureship (Wake Forest University), Hubbard Visiting Professor at Brigham and Women’s Hospital (Harvard Medical School), Alfred Blalock Lecture (Johns Hopkins University), John W. Kirklin Lectureship (Mayo Clinic), and the Randall Griepp Lectureship (Icahn School of Medicine). In 2008, along with colleague Scott A. LeMaire, Dr. Coselli was coeditor of the book *Aortic Arch Surgery: Principles, Strategies and Outcomes* published by Wiley-Blackwell.

Dr. Coselli has served as president of the Texas Surgical Society (2008), Michael E. DeBakey International Surgical Society (2010), Southern Thoracic Surgical Association (2011), Denton A. Cooley Cardiovascular Surgical Society (2012), and the American Association for Thoracic Surgery (2015). From The Marfan Foundation, he has been honored with the Antoine Marfan Award (1997), the Scientific Leadership Award (2010), and the Hero with a Heart Award (2017). Dr. Coselli is a long-time member of the Professional Advisory Board of The Marfan Foundation and the principal investigator for the Aortic Valve Operative Outcomes in Marfan patients study. Dr. Coselli was the two-time recipient of the Michael E. DeBakey Excellence in Research Award (2001 and 2017) for his research on the surgical treatment of aortic aneurysms, aortic dissection, and Marfan syndrome. Additionally, he is the recipient of the Ashbel Smith Distinguished Alumnus Award from the University of Texas Medical Branch (2009); Distinguished Scientist Award (2011) from St. Luke’s Episcopal Hospital, Inaugural Francis Robicsek Award (2014), and the Distinguished Houston Surgeon Award (2016) from the Houston Surgical Society. Additional honors for scientific papers include the J. Maxwell Chamberlain Memorial Paper by The Society of Thoracic Surgeons (2001), President’s Award (2002) from the Southern Thoracic Surgical Association, and best scientific paper (2004) of the Peripheral Vascular Surgical Society.

In 2016, Dr. Coselli received the Baylor College of Medicine Master Clinician Award, which recognizes faculty for their exemplary qualities of clinical excellence and expertise, consistent high level of patient care, professionalism, commendable leadership skills and continuous service to the community.