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Alpha Omega Alpha is establishing a writing prize to honor one of the great leaders in American medicine, the late Robert H. Moser, MD (A Ω A, Georgetown University, 1969). The Moser Award: Casting Light on the Many Paths of Medicine, will be awarded for essays celebrating the lives of physicians like Dr. Moser who have enriched the world through their careers within, related to, and outside of medicine.

Bob Moser's career in medicine was varied and colorful. From organizing and working in one of the first MASH units during the Korean War, to becoming a pioneering flight controller for NASA during the Project Mercury and Project Apollo space programs, to serving as Chief of Medicine at Walter Reed and Tripler Army Medical Centers in Hawaii, to treating patients at the Kalaupapa Leper Colony in Molokai, to editor of *JAMA*, to executive president of the American College of Physicians (during which period he was invited to the People's Republic of China to observe medical practice there in one of the earlier signs of détente), to *Pharos* editorial board member, Bob was a man for all seasons and a distinguished leader in medicine.

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- 3. Teaching and education: Research, development, or implementation of education academic curricula, with the focus on postgraduate education.
 - 4. Leadership: Leadership development.
- 5. Humanism and professionalism: Projects designed to encourage understanding, development, and retention of traits of humanism and professionalism among physicians, directed to physicians in postgraduate training.

Four applicants received \$2000 awards to support their work. The recipients of the 2015 awards are:

Susan Marshall, MD

New York University School of Medicine

Project category: Research

Phase II Study of MR-US Fusion Biopsy-Guided Focal Cryoablation of the Prostate in Men with Clinically Localized Low-Immediate Risk Prostate Cancer

Samir Taneja, MD, mentor

Laura Mazer, MD

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Project category: Teaching and education

A competency-based curriculum for the surgical sub-internship James Lau, MD, mentor

Johnny Nguyen, MD

USF Health Morsani College of Medicine

Project category: Research

Understanding the Relationship between Genetic Basis and Immunomodulation in Myelodysplastic Syndromes and Related Myeoloid Neoplasms: Focusing on p53, EZH2 and Some Dendritic Cell Markers

Ling Zhang, MD, mentor

Vivian Shi, MD

University of California, Davis, School of Medicine

Project category: Teaching and education

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Raja K. Sivamani, MD, mentor