

# Alpha Omega Alpha elects honorary members

Individuals who have contributed substantially to medicine and fields related to medicine, but who are not eligible for membership in AΩA as graduates of a medical school with an AΩA chapter or as a faculty member of a medical school maintaining an active AΩA chapter, may be nominated for honorary membership by any active member of the society. In 2012 Alpha Omega Alpha's board of directors extended invitations to the following distinguished physicians and scientists.



## **Giovanni Romeo, MD**

Professor Giovanni Romeo graduated *cum laude* from the University of Bologna School of Medicine and completed his pediatric residency there. He has been the Group Leader of the Laboratory of Human Genetics at the International Institute of Genetics and Biophysics, Visiting Scientist in the Department of Genetics at Stanford University School of Medicine, Professor of Human Genetics and Director of the Laboratory of Molecular Genetics and the Laboratory of Clinical Cytogenetics at the University of Genoa

Medical School, Chief of the Unit of Genetic Cancer Susceptibility of the International Agency for Research on Cancer in Lyon, France; and Professor of Medicine and Director of the Department of Genetics at the University of Bologna School of Medicine.

In 1988, Professor Romeo founded the European School of Genetic Medicine with Professor Victor A. McKusick of the Johns Hopkins School of Medicine. His contributions to and excellence in medical education were recognized by the American Society of Human Genetics in 2011, when he received the society's Award for Excellence in Human Genetics Education.

Professor Romeo has published more than 350 papers in peer-reviewed journals, has served as editor and editorial board member of several professional journals and other publications, and is the founding editor of the *European Journal of Human Genetics*.



## **Slawomir Majewski, MD**

Professor Slawomir Majewski is an experienced researcher whose work in virology, allergy, dermatology, and oncology is detailed in 350 full articles and 400 abstracts, papers that have earned wide recognition. He is of particular prominence for his research on human papilloma virus-linked oncogenesis. He has delineated the role of the immune system in the control of human papilloma virus infections of the skin and mucosa as well as the progression of HPV-associated tumors, molecular and cellular mechanisms of HPV-associated carcinogenesis, pathogenesis and treatment of allergic and inflammatory skin diseases, mechanisms regulating tumor-induced angiogenesis and the effects of anti-angiogenic compounds, new treatment modalities of genital warts and skin cancer, and the immunopathogenesis and treatment of psoriasis and atopic dermatitis. His accomplishments have resulted in membership in the Polish Academy of Sciences and other accolades. Professor Majewski has served as promoter in four habilitation theses and twenty doctoral ones. He is responsible for the residency program in dermatology and venereology in his department.