AHS Conference Awards

**Bassini Award**

*Created:* 2000  
*Purpose:* Recognize the best “free paper” abstract presented at the Annual Meeting

- 2000: Zafer Malazgirt, MD  
- 2001: Andreas Hoeferlin, MD and Brent Matthews, MD (a tie)  
- 2002: Kristi L. Harold, MD  
- 2003: Alfredo Carbonell, MD  
- 2004: John Murphy, MD  
- 2005: Jerrold Young, MD  
- 2006: Fausto Catena, MD & Kuca Ansaloni, MD  
- 2007: B. Todd Heniford, MD  
- 2008: Nicolas Verdura, MD  
- 2009: International Meeting - Berlin  
- 2010: Luke Bonato, MD  
- 2011: Michael Rosen, MD  
- 2012: John Hunt, MD  
- 2013: Yuri Novitsky, MD  
- 2014: Baukje Heuvel, MD  
- 2015: International Meeting - Milan  
- 2016: Not awarded  
- 2017: Deepa Cherla, MD

**Fruchaud Award**

*Created:* 2000  
*Purpose:* Best Poster presentation at the Annual Meeting

- 2000: Andrew Kingsnorth, MD  
- 2001: Eduardo Molina, MD  
- 2002: Andrew Kingsnorth, MD  
- 2003: John Murphy, MD  
- 2004: Ron Silverman, MD  
- 2005: William Cobb, MD  
- 2006: Forrest Smith, PhD  
- 2007: Bardia Amirlak, IMD  
- 2008: Jeffrey Sedlack, MD  
- 2009: International Meeting: Berlin  
- 2010: Marta Cavalli, MD  
- 2011: Robert C. Wright, MD  
- 2012: Roberto Hernandez-Irizarry, BS  
- 2013: Ralph Lorenz, MD  
- 2014: Clayton Petro, MD  
- 2015: International Meeting: Milan  
- 2016: Not awarded
2017: Wen Hui Tan, MD

**Resident/Fellow Award**
**Created:** 2000  
**Purpose:** $500 cash award for best presentation (oral or poster) by a Resident or Fellow

2000: Unknown  
2001: Uyen Bich Chu, MD  
2002: Kristi L. Harold, MD  
2003: No resident award  
2004: unknown  
2005: Andrew Harrell, MD  
2006: Lauren Paton, MD  
2007: Tommy H. Lee, MD  
2008: Jennifer Keller, MD  
2009: International Meeting - Berlin  
2010: Lora Melman, MD  
2011: Rita Brintzenhoff, MD  
2012: Igor Belyansky, MD  
2013: Paul D. Colavita, MD  
2014: Jason Souza, MD  
2015: International Meeting - Milan  
2016: Not awarded  
2017: Kathleen Coakley, DO

**Gimbernat Award**
**Created:** 2017  
**Purpose:** Best Latin American Paper

2017: Mario Alberto Vargas Verdugo, MD

**Nyhus-Wantz Award**
**Purpose:**  
- Recognized leader in the field of Hernia Surgery  
- Someone who has contributed to the Americas Hernia Society  
- An inventor whose contribution(s) to science have enhanced hernia surgery.  
- An industry leader, scientist or physician whose company has enhanced hernia surgery.  
- Knowledge of basic science in biomaterial science, connective tissue disease or outcomes research in hernia.

2010: Arthur Gilbert, MD  
2011: Raymond Read, MD  
2012: Guy Voeller, MD  
2013: Brent Matthews, MD  
2014: B. Todd Heniford, MD
2015: Not awarded – International EHS Meeting
2016: Bruce Ramshaw, MD
2017: Michael Rosen, MD
2018: Robert Fitzgibbons, MD