The School of Public Health Sciences





Inaugural Convocation

March 21, 1986

Convocation Colloquia

New York State Museum Auditorium Cultural Education Center Empire State Plaza, Albany

10:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.

Dr. Marshall W. Nirenberg

Nobel Laureate Chief, Laboratory of Biochemical Genetics National Institutes of Health, Bethesda, Md.

"Positive and Negative Regulation of Species of mRNA by Cyclic AMP"

11:00 a.m. - 12:00 a.m.

Dr. Rollin D. Hotchkiss

Professor Emeritus, Rockefeller University Research Professor, State University of New York at Albany

"Cycles in Genetics and the Academic Metabolism"

Convocation Ceremony

3:00 p.m.

New York State Museum Auditorium, Cultural Education Center, Empire State Plaza

Academic Procession

Concourse, Empire State Plaza Schenectady Pipers

Invocation

The Reverend Laman H. Bruner, Jr. Rector, Saint Peter's Episcopal Church, Albany

National Anthem

Opening Welcome

Vincent O'Leary, President State University of New York at Albany

Greetings

The Honorable Thomas M. Whalen, III, Mayor, City of Albany

Dr. Henrik N. Dullea, Director of State Operations & Policy Management, on behalf of Governor Mario Cuomo

Dr. Gordon M. Ambach, Commissioner, New York State Department of Education

Mr. Donald M. Blinken, Chairman of the Board of Trustees, State University of New York

Dr. Robert L. Friedlander, President and Dean, Albany Medical College

Dr. W. Jean Dodds, Chief, Laboratory of Hematology, Wadsworth Center for Laboratories and Research, New York State Department of Health Professor of Hematology, School of Public Health Sciences

Presentation of Honorary Degrees

Dr. Rollin D. Hotchkiss, Doctor of Science

Dr. Marshall W. Nirenberg, Doctor of Science

Address

Dr. David Axelrod, Commissioner, New York State Department of Health

Benediction

The Reverend Laman H. Bruner, Jr.

Recession

Reception

String quartet

Members of the Procession

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Dr. David Axelrod

President Vincent O'Leary

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Citations

Rollin D. Hotchkiss

Your remarkable scientific career, marked by half a century of contributions to molecular genetics, qualifies you as a founding father of that field. You were the first to isolate, in pure form, an antibiotic, an important accomplishment that stimulated the development of a life-saving class of drugs. Well ahead of others, you brought forth to the scientific community vital information demonstrating that DNA molecules form the basis of genetic material, a profound discovery that sparked one of the most exciting periods in the history of science. For all of your brilliant and highly innovative work in molecular genetics, which continues today, for your boundless curiosity, your devotion to truth and rigor in thinking, and your warm and genuine interest in others, the State University of New York is deeply honored to confer upon you, Rollin D. Hotchkiss, the Honorary Degree of Doctor of Science.

Marshall W. Nirenberg

Your supreme achievement in deciphering the genetic code places you among the pioneers of modern molecular biology. By breaking this code, and subsequently devising an ingenious method to unlock the sequence of the code, you have deciphered the Rosetta Stone of the biological world. Your enormous scientific talents now extend to the study of the nervous system, providing revolutionary insights into the fundamental workings of the brain. As a recipient of the Nobel Prize in Medicine, you represent an exemplary model of a scientist who has attained the pinnacle of your profession and yet is still capable of standing in awe and wonder at the magic of the universe. For your unparalleled contributions and your work training a generation of outstanding researchers, the State University of New York is privileged to confer upon you, Marshall W. Nirenberg, the Honorary Degree of Doctor of Science.