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Dedication

Lars A. Hanson

This workshop and the proceedings are dedicated to our friend and mentor Lars A. Hanson, the father of modern milk immunology and human breastfeeding. His original contributions in the field include: demonstration of the secretory IgA antibody in human milk, which is different from IgA in serum; existence of an enteromammary axis; novel insights regarding the effects of milk on host defense in the neonate; immunodeficiency of IgA antibody; and the impact of breastfeeding on child health globally.

For his outstanding contributions, Dr. Hanson has received numerous awards. These include: the Medal of the University of Helsinki, Finland (1975); Oscar Medin Prize, Stockholm, Sweden (1979); Robert Koch Prize, Bonn, West Germany (1981); Anders Jahre Prize in Medicine, Oslo, Norway (1988); Honorary Consul, Costa Rica (1988); Lifetime Achievement Award, The Jeffrey Modell Foundation, New York, NY, USA (1990); Elander Prize, Göteborg, Sweden (1996); Founder Fellow of the Royal College of Pediatrics and Child Health, UK (1996) (Hon. FRCPCH); The Rosen von Rosenstein Medal, Swedish Pediatric Association and Swedish Society of Medicine, Uppsala (1999); Member, Norwe-

gian Academy of Science, Norway, 1999; Medal of Distinction, City of Göteborg (2002); Nutricia International Award (2004); Macy-György Award (2004), and Amningshjälpens Bröstpris (2005).

Dr. Hanson obtained his MD at the School of Medicine, University of Göteborg, Sweden, in 1961 and defended his thesis for a doctoral degree in medical science in 1961 (PhD). He has published over 750 scientific papers in bacteriology, pediatrics, and immunology and has served as an editor, contributor, and author of numerous books. He has mentored 79 PhD students from virtually every part of the world.

Dr. Lars Hanson was born in Naverstad, Sweden. He is married to Monika Tunback, an outstanding scholar and journalist.

Thank you Nenne!