



## Osseo – Bone Conduction Hearing and Related Technologies Bone Conduction Hearing Award Nomination form

### Nominations are now being accepted for the 2019 Bone Conduction Hearing Award!

Nominations for the Bone Conduction Hearing Award are open for submission by all who represent this scientific OSSEO community. Nominations must be submitted to the Chairs of the Bone Conduction Hearing Award Committee no later than 30th April 2019. Nominations may be submitted to: [OSSEO@res-inc.com](mailto:OSSEO@res-inc.com) and must include:

1. The completed Nomination Form
2. Letter of support by the nominator
3. Full Curriculum Vitae of the nominee



*Medal for the Bone Conduction Hearing Award designed by former OSSEO president, Dr. Myrthe Hol.*

### About the Award:

The Bone Conduction Hearing Award is an international recognition award presented by the Osseo organizers to an individual exemplifying excellence and demonstrating significant contributions in the field of bone conduction hearing and related technologies. It is the successor of the well-known Tjellström Award.

## OSSEO Award Recipients:

### Tjellström Award

2003 – Prof. dr A. Tjellström, Sweden  
2004 – Prof. dr C.W.R.J. Cremers, the Netherlands  
2005 – Mr D. Proops, United Kingdom  
2006 – Dr S. Nagata, Japan  
2007 – Dr J. Brunski, United States  
2008 – Prof. G. Granström, Sweden  
2009 – Dr J. Beumer, United States  
2010 – Mr A. Sugar, United Kingdom  
2011 – Prof. B. Hakansson, Sweden

### Bone Conduction Hearing Award

2013 – Dr J. Wazen, USA  
2015 – Prof M. Hultcrantz, Sweden  
2017 – Prof. A. Snik, the Netherlands

## Anders Tjellström and the History of the Tjellström Award

The Tjellström Award was established by Caritas Health Group and University of Alberta in 2003 to commemorate the 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Craniofacial Osseointegration and Maxillofacial Prosthetic Rehabilitation Unit (COMPRU), forerunner of the Institute for Reconstructive Sciences in Medicine (iRSM).



*Anders Tjellström MD, PhD Department of Otolaryngology, Sahlgrenska University Hospital, Gothenburg, Sweden*

Anders Tjellström was born in Strångnäs, Sweden in 1937. He completed his medical studies at the University of Gothenburg, Sweden in 1968, received his specialty education in Oto-Rhino-Laryngology in 1973 while practicing at Vändersborg, Sweden and completed his PhD from the University of Gothenburg in 1977. Dr. Tjellström's doctoral work, designed to investigate development of middle ear ossicles in titanium chambers in a rabbit model, brought him into contact with Professor Per-Ingvar Brånemark, a pioneer in the field of osseointegration. They began working together in 1972 and Professor Brånemark later served as doctoral supervisor. In 1977 they collaborated on the care of the first patient to be treated with a Bone Anchored Hearing Aid. They combined forces again in 1979 on

the treatment of the first patient to receive an osseointegrated implant retained ear prosthesis. Since that time, Anders Tjellström has worked tirelessly to bring craniofacial osseointegration to the international community

As a staff member at the University of Gothenburg, Anders Tjellström's commitment to patient care and research has been inspirational. His international reputation as a pioneering researcher, mentor and team builder has encouraged world wide collaboration among his colleagues. This remarkable surgeon and man of science has contributed significantly to the quality of life of those needing rehabilitation of the head and neck.

### **A New Era, A New Award:**

Following a lapse granting the Tjellström Award, the 2015 and 2017 OSSEO organizers, together with Prof. A. Tjellström, Prof D. Proops, and Prof. C. Cremers worked to reinstate this important recognition of pioneers in field. In acknowledgment of advancement in bone conduction hearing and related technologies the award was reinstated as “**The Bone Conduction Hearing Award**” at the 2017 OSSEO meeting. This new designation is intended to honor the original spirit of the original Tjellström Award, while committing solely to the OSSEO meetings. A new medal was struck and designed to honor the original medal through it's resemblance and reference to its original founders' country, as Anders Tjellström was born and raised in Sweden.



*The original medal struck for the Tjellström Award presented in 2003 to Professor Tjellström.*