



Darius Kohan, MD

**Candidate for
Nominating Committee
Private Practice (seat two)**

***What experiences have you had that will allow you to identify a diverse set of candidates for Academy leadership?
What are the most important attributes you look for when nominating a member for leadership within the
Academy?***

Emigrating as a teenager from communist Eastern Europe where my family belonged to a minority that experienced persecution, and later being welcomed in the melting pot of New York City, has shaped my views of the world to appreciate the contributions of diversity and tolerance. Participating in numerous Board of Governor and AAO-HNS committees over a 30-year career, I witnessed the outstanding leadership and dedication to patient care demonstrated by our membership. Most evident, the otolaryngology community was, dare I say, heroic during the pandemic, risking their personal health in managing the airway of patients before there were any vaccines. Private practitioners particularly took a severe blow during the pandemic trying to preserve their offices and staff, yet everyone did their best for our patients. Members organized, protocols developed in collaboration with our peers in all fields of medicine, and patients benefitted. I witnessed leadership qualities come to the forefront. We have many challenges and opportunities facing us. I intend to nominate the most deserving otolaryngologists to leadership positions based upon merit and ability to represent our ever more diverse membership throughout the country. Leadership must reflect the needs of both private practitioners and academicians, the geography and demographics of our country, and the vision of the Academy for a brighter future.

I would like to thank our membership for considering me for the Nominating Committee. These last few years have been very stressful to the entire world; especially to the medical community. We all face challenges every day and do our best, but with the pandemic, the socioeconomic stresses have markedly intensified. The otolaryngology community did an outstanding job nationwide managing airways and helping our fellow Americans with COVID related pathologies. We all came together and did our part. In my 30 plus years career in private practice and academics, I had the privilege of collaborating with colleagues from all aspects of otolaryngology throughout the nation. I witnessed the efforts members made to help optimize patient care in all settings. The place of birth, one's race, personal religious and political beliefs, and sexual orientation were all irrelevant when it came to the health and welfare of patients. We all came together. I have participated in numerous BOG and AAO-HNS committees, recently mostly virtual, noted the outstanding dedication and leadership demonstrated by our members, the efforts made to enhance education and opportunities for the next generation of otolaryngologists, while always advancing our science and patient wellbeing. If provided the honor of participating in the Nominating Committee, I intend to nominate the most deserving otolaryngologists to leadership positions based upon merit, their humanity, their ability to represent our evermore diverse membership. They will respect the needs of both private practitioners and academicians, the geography and demographics of the nation, and the vision of the Academy for a brighter and healthier future.

CURRICULUM VITAE**Name:**

Darius Kohan MD

Current Employment:

Darius Kohan MD PC - self employed

Director of Otolaryngology/Neurotology - Lenox Hill Hospital/MEETH, New York, NY

Place of Birth: Bucharest, Romania – 1959

Education (include institutions, dates, degrees):

New York University School of Arts and Science - BA 1976-80

New York University School of Medicine - MD 1980-84

Residency and Fellowship:

Mt. Sinai- Beth Israel Med. Center - General Surgery-Preliminary Residency - 1984-86

New York University School of Medicine - Department of Otolaryngology - Otolaryngology Residency - 1984-90

New York University School of Medicine - Department of Otolaryngology - Otolaryngology/Neurotology Fellowship - 1990-91

Specialty: Otolaryngology/Neurotology

Licensure and Certification:

New York State: MD - since 10/22/1985

California: MD - since 9/10/1990

American Board of Otolaryngology - 1990

American Board of Neurotology - 2012

Previous Employment:

Brooklyn Hospital Center, New York, NY - Chairman of Otolaryngology - August 1996 - November 2015

Memberships and Offices Held /Academy and other societies:

AAO/HNS- Committee participation: Hearing and Hearing Aids, SiPac, Implantable Hearing Device, Otolaryngology and Neurotology Education, Task Force on New Materials, Co-Director on Home Study Course

BOG - Committee participation: Socioeconomic, Public Relations, Nominating Work Force

BOG - Governor of NY Otologic Society

ANS - Committee participation: Audit and ANS representative to AAO-HNS Equilibrium

Triologic Society - Poster review committee

NY Head and Neck Society

Honors/Awards:

Castle Connolly - "Top Doctor"- NY Metro Area from 1998 continuous annual to 2021

New York Magazine - "Top Doctor"- NY Metro Area: 2003, 2006, 2008, 2010, 2011, 2014, 2015, 2017-21

AAO-HNS - Honor Certificate 2006

New York Times – "Super Doctor" – NY Metro Area: 2007 annual to 2011, 2017 annual to 2021

Children's Hearing Institute – Medical and Advisory Board Honors at the UN May Medical Advisory Board-2018

Baby Face Foundation - Humanitarian Award 2019

Community Service:

League for the Hard of Hearing/Center for Communication - Medical Co-Director: 1991 – 2015 - pro bono patient care weekly clinic

Medical Advisory Board – Little Baby Face Foundation – pro bono surgery

Millennium Society – Lifetime member

Hal Foster Society – Lifetime member

Regional/Local Hospital Participation:

New York University Medical Center – Associate Professor of Otolaryngology NYU Sch. Of Medicine since 1991

Brooklyn Hospital Center – Chairman Department of Otolaryngology: 1996-2015

Lenox Hill Medical Center/ MEETH, Northwell Health – Director of Otology/Neurotology and Cochlear Implant Center: 2001 to present

New York Eye and Ear Infirmary, Mt. Sinai Medical Center – Voluntary faculty: 1991 to present

Summation of Published Works Within the Specialty:**Journals:**

- Kohan, S., Beckman, EM., Kohan, D. (April 1984). The use of lasers in gynecology. *Internal Medicine for the Specialist*, 5:4, 131-138.
- Kohan, D., Rothstein, SG., Cohen, NL. (November 1988). Otologic disease in patients with acquired immunodeficiency syndrome. *Annals of Otolaryngology, Rhinology and Laryngology*, 97, 636-640.
- Schneider, KL., Kohan, D., Gittelman, PD., Breda, SD., Gonzalez, S. (1998). A New System for the Quantification of Hoarseness. *Transactions, American Laryngological Association*, 9:109, 203-205.
- Kohan, D., Jacobs, JB., Nass, R., Gonzalez, S. (October 1989). Rhinomanometric evaluation of two nasal steroid sprays in rhinitis. *Otolaryngology – Head and Neck Surgery*, 101:4, 429-433.
- Kohan, D., Plasse, HM., Zide, B. (November 1989). Frontal bone reconstruction with split calvarial and cancellous iliac bone. *Ear, Nose, and Throat Journal*, 68, 845-854.
- Kohan, D., Hammerschlag, P., Holliday, R. (December 1990). Otologic disease in AIDS patients-CT correlation. *Laryngoscope*, 100, 1326-1330.
- Rothstein, SG., Schneider, KL., Kohan, D., Persky, MS., Holliday, R. (April 1991). Emergencies in AIDS patients: the otolaryngologic perspective. *Otolaryngology – Head and Neck Surgery*, 104:4, 545-548.
- Kohan, D., Skorina, JMG., Jacobs, JB., Lebowitz, A., Rothstein, SG. (May-June 1992). Sinus disease in the immunocompromised host. *Journal of Rhinology*, 6(3), 115-118.
- Cohen, NL., Ransohoff, J., Kohan, D., Hoffman, R. (1992). Cochlear implants in the treatment of acoustic neuromas: a treatment algorithm for bilateral acoustic neuromas (BAN). *Proceedings of the First International Conference on Acoustic Neuroma*, 857-862.
- Hoffman, RA., Kohan, D., and Cohen, NL. (November 1992). Cochlear implants in the management of bilateral acoustic neuromas. *The American Journal of Otology*, 13(6), 525-528.
- Kohan, D., Miller, P., Rothstein, SG., Kaufman, D. (February 1993). Madelung's disease: case histories and literature review. *Otolaryngology – Head and Neck Surgery*, 108(2), 156-159.
- Kohan, D., Downey, LL., Lim, J., Cohen, NL, Elowitz, E. (1997). Uncommon lesions presenting as tumors of the internal auditory canal and cerebellopontine angle. *The American Journal of Otology*, 18:3, 386-392.
- Kohan, D., Giacchi, R. (October 1999). Otologic surgery in patients with HIV-1 and AIDS. *Otolaryngology – Head and Neck Surgery*, 121, 355-360.
- Kohan, D., Sorin, A. (September 2003). Revision stapes surgery – the maleus to oval window wire piston technique. *The Laryngoscope*, 113, 1520-1524.
- Kohan, D., Sorin, A., Marra, S., Hoffman, R. (January 2004). Hearing aid fitting – unusual complications and surgical management. *The Laryngoscope*, 116.
- Kohan, D., Morris, L., Romo, T. (May 2008). Single-stage BAHA implantation: is it safe? *Otolaryngology-Head and Neck Surgery*, 138, 662-666.
- Romo, T., Morris, L., Kohan, D. (April 2009). Reconstruction of congenital microtia-atresia: outcomes with the Medpor/BAHA. *Annals of Plastic Surgery*.
- Coelho, D., Hammerschlag, P., Bat-Chava, Y., Kohan, D. (2009). Psychometric validity of the cochlear implant function index (CIFI): a quality of life assessment tool for adult cochlear implant users. *Cochlear Implants International*, Wiley InterScience DOI: 10.1002/cii.395.

- Chung, D., Kim, AH., Parisier, S., Linstrom, C., Alexiades, G., Hoffman, R., Kohan, D. (October 2010). Revision cochlear implant surgery in patients with suspected soft failures. *Otology & Neurotology*, 31(8), 1194-1198.
- Kuhn, MA., Friedmann, DR., Winata, LS., Kohan, D., et al (September 2012). Large jugular bulb abnormalities involving the middle ear. *Otology & Neurotology*, 33 (7), 1201-1206.
- Kohan, D., Jethanamest, D. (October 2012). Image guided surgical navigation in otology – triologic thesis. *The Laryngoscope*, 122, 2291-2299.
- Cerrati, E., Kohan, D. (2014). Case report: sequential bilateral otitis media and bilateral facial nerve paralysis as presenting symptoms of Wegener’s granulomatosis. *Journal of Case Reports in Medicine*.

Books:

- Kohan, D. (1998). ‘Uncommon lesions presenting as tumors of the internal auditory canal and cerebellopontine angle’, in Paparella, M., Holt, R. *Yearbook of Otolaryngology-Head and Neck Surgery*.
- Kohan D, Levy L. Aural rehabilitation – hearing aids and assistive listening devices. SiPAC. Alexandria (VA): American Academy of Otolaryngology Head and Neck Surgery; c1999.
- Kohan D, Hanin L. Evaluation and habilitation of the hearing impaired child. SiPAC. Alexandria (VA): American Academy of Otolaryngology Head and Neck Surgery; c2000.
- Kohan D, Sorin A, Hanin L. Evaluation and habilitation of the hearing impaired child. SiPAC 2nd ed. Alexandria (VA): American Academy of Otolaryngology Head and Neck Surgery; c2006.
- Kohan D, Sikora A, Lee KC. AIDS and the otolaryngologist. SiPAC 2nd ed. Alexandria (VA): American Academy of Otolaryngology Head and Neck Surgery; c2006.
- Kohan D, Heman-Ackah S, Chandrasekhar S. Neurotology – what do I do now? New York (NY): Oxford Press; c2014.
- Kohan D, Chandrasekhar S. Otolaryngologic clinics of North America – implantable auditory devices. Philadelphia (PA): Elsevier; c2019.
- Kohan D. (2019). ‘Congenital ossicular chain anomalies and hearing loss – chapter 33’, in Madell, J., Flexer, C., et.al. (2nd ed.) *Pediatric Audiology Casebook*. Germany: Thieme.

Slide Lecture Series:

- Kohan D 1999 *Hearing aids and assistive listening devices*, American Academy of Otolaryngology Head and Neck Surgery, Alexandria (VA); October 1999.

COURSES PRESENTED:

(17 PRESENTATIONS SINCE 1993)

(1993 – 2015 AVAILABLE UPON REQUEST)

- Implantable Auditory Devices-Update 2016: Technology, Indications, Efficacy, and Safety – Course Director and Faculty Presenter, The New York Head and Neck Institute – Northwell – Lenox Hill Hospital, October 1, 2016.
- Implantable Auditory Devices: Between HA and Cochlear Implant. AAO-HNSF 2017, Chicago, IL. September 12, 2017.
- Implantable Auditory Devices-Update 2019: Technology, Indications, Efficacy, and Safety – Course Director and Faculty Presenter, The New York Head and Neck Institute – Northwell – Lenox Hill Hospital, March 30, 2019.

POSTER PRESENTATIONS:

(10 PRESENTATIONS SINCE 1997)

(1997 – 2015 AVAILABLE UPON REQUEST)