2022 Commencement Speaker

Nancy Hopkins

Nancy Hopkins is the Amgen Inc. Professor of Biology Emerita in the Department of Biology in MIT’s School of Science. She is also a faculty member at the Koch Institute for Integrative Cancer Research.

In her research at MIT, Hopkins used genetics to understand how RNA tumor viruses cause cancer in mice. Later, she pioneered zebrafish as a disease model. Using a new method for mutagenesis, her lab identified many of the genes that are essential for early fish development and genes that predispose zebrafish to cancer. In her work in gender equity at MIT, Hopkins chaired the committee that wrote the “1999 Report on the Status of Women Faculty in the School of Science.”

Hopkins is an alumna of Radcliffe College, earned a PhD from the Department of Molecular Biology and Biochemistry at Harvard University in 1971, and was a postdoctoral fellow at Cold Spring Harbor Laboratory. She joined MIT in 1973 as an assistant professor at the MIT Center for Cancer Research. She is a member of the National Academy of Sciences, the National Academy of Medicine, and the American Academy of Arts and Sciences.
Welcome
Dean Nergis Mavalvala
Curtis (1963) and Kathleen Marble Professor of Astrophysics

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Conferring of degrees

Department of Biology
Master’s recipients
Doctoral recipients
Investiture by Amy Keating, Jay A. Stein Professor of Biology

Department of Brain and Cognitive Sciences
Master’s recipients
Doctoral recipients
Investiture by Rebecca Saxe, Associate Dean, John W. Jarve (1978) Professor of Brain and Cognitive Sciences

Department of Chemistry
Master’s recipients
Doctoral recipients
Investiture by Troy Van Voorhis, Department Head and Haslam and Dewey Professor of Chemistry

Department of Earth, Atmospheric and Planetary Sciences
Master’s recipients
Doctoral recipients
Investiture by Rob van der Hilst, Department Head and Schlumberger Professor of Earth and Planetary Sciences

Department of Mathematics
Master’s recipients
Doctoral recipients
Investiture by Wei Zhang, Professor of Mathematics

Department of Physics
Master’s recipients
Doctoral recipients
Investiture by Peter Fisher, Department Head and Thomas A. Frank (1977) Professor of Physics

MIT–Woods Hole Oceanographic Institution
Master’s recipients
Doctoral recipients
Investiture by Edward A. Boyle, Professor of Ocean Geochemistry, Director of the MIT/WHOI Joint Program

Diplomas
Please visit commencement.mit.edu for a list of degree recipients. For more information about diplomas, please visit: registrar.mit.edu/transcripts-records/diplomas.

Advanced degree recipients may pick up their diplomas:
Thursday, May 26 and Friday, May 27: 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.
32-124 and 32-144

Reception
A reception for all School of Science graduates and their guests will take place at the Johnson Athletics Center Ice Rink.

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