Rock Mackie to be Recognized by ASTRO and IOMP

Madison, WI (July 30, 2019) - Thomas Rockwell "Rock" Mackie, a co-founder of two Venture Investors portfolio companies and a current member of Venture Investors' Investment Advisory Committee, will be recognized by two industry organizations at their September conferences. Dr. Mackie, a co-founder of TomoTherapy, Inc. and HealthMyne, Inc. is an emeritus professor in the departments of Medical Physics and Human Oncology at the University of Wisconsin-Madison and recently became the inaugural leader of UW Health's new innovation initiative.

ASTRO, the premier radiation oncology society in the world, is bestowing Dr. Mackie with its Gold Medal Award, the highest honor for ASTRO members who have made outstanding contributions to the field of radiation oncology. The award will be presented at ASTRO's Annual Meeting in Chicago.

The International Organization for Medical Physics (IOMP), which represents about 25,000 medical physicists worldwide, is recognizing Dr. Mackie with its John Mallard Award, for his extraordinarily positive impact over the entire field. The award, which honors a medical physicist who has developed an innovation of high scientific quality and successfully applied it in clinical practice, will be presented at the International Conference on Medical Physics in Santiago, Chile.

"Rock is the embodiment of the Wisconsin Idea," said John Neis, Managing Director of Venture Investors. "His scientific contributions alone have been immense, but when combined with his fearless commitment to commercialize his ideas as a serial entrepreneur, it has enabled those innovations to rapidly advance and impact millions of lives across the globe. He is an exceptional role model and has also used his knowledge and experience to mentor many other entrepreneurs who have followed in his footsteps."

Venture Investors congratulates Dr. Mackie on his well-deserved recognition.