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Douglas Mathisen is the Hermes C. Grillo Professor in Thoracic Surgery at Harvard Medical School, and Chief of General Thoracic Surgery at the Massachusetts General Hospital. He received his medical degree from the University of Illinois College of Medicine in 1974 and was AOA.

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