

AWARDS for Western's SSMD Students

THE ROWNTREE PRIZE IN MEDICAL HISTORY (EST. 1929)

Awarded annually in memory of Dr. Leonard G. Rowntree for work in medical history completed by a Schulich School of Medicine & Dentistry (SSMD) medical student.

Dr. Leonard G. Rowntree (1883-1959) was born and raised in London, Ontario, graduating from Western University in 1905 as Gold Medalist. As a physician, researcher, teacher and administrator, he worked at Johns Hopkins Hospital, the University of Minnesota, the Mayo Clinic and later the University of Miami. He is most well known for the Rowntree Test for kidney function – the phenol-sulphophthalein test. He was a loyal alumnus of Western, serving as Medical Alumni President during the 1930s and attending numerous Western events over the years.



Past Award Recipients:

2023	Helen Jin and Danielle Vucenovic
2022	Rahman Ladak and Snow Wangding
2021	Anthony Zicarelli and Tharsan Kanagalingam
2020	Jelena Poleksic and Jacob Wihlidal
2019	Adrina Zhong and Timothy Varghese
2018	Daniel Stojanovic and Michael Chen
2017	Katharina Baranova and Ariel Gershon
2016	Vanessa de Melo
2015	Daniel Stojanovic
2014	Hannah MacKenzie
2013	Alexandra Istl
2012	Benjamin Strauss
2011	Jacqueline Swan
2010	Kathleen Mackeracher
2009	Emily Claydon
2008	Pencilla Lang



THE HARVEY CLUB OF LONDON PRIZE (EST. 2008)

Awarded annually for the best medical student paper/presentation in the history of medicine.

Founded in 1919 by local physicians, the Harvey Club of London, Canada is the oldest active medical club in this country. The original objective of the club was to prepare, present and publish more scientific research papers – which it did – however broader interests in the sciences, professions, humanities and the world at large have also been encouraged. Currently, there are approximately 70 active and emeriti members.



Past Award Recipients:

2023	Jelena Poleksic
2022	Andrew Nguyen
2021	Arjun Patel
2020	Melissa Chopcian
2019	Gali Katznelson
2018	Sandra Botros
2017	North de Pencier
2016	Nicole Arseneau
2015	Madeline Arkle and Daniel Liu
2014	Kevin Dueck
2013	Noor Jawaid
2012	Abdul Naeem
2011	Jason Chan
2010	Lucas Vivas
2009	Michael Livingston
2008	Tiffany Kwok

2024 HISTORY OF MEDICINE ROUNDS STUDENT SHOWCASE



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- **Retage Al-Bader**, Med2025 -- Milestones in the History of Brain Aneurysm Treatment
- **Gregory Anagnostopoulos**, Med2027 -- Rejection, Skepticism, and Self Poisoning: The Road to Discovery of Helicobacter Pylori as the Cause of Peptic Ulcer Disease
- **Anna Basu**, Med2026 -- Treatment of an Ancient Disease: Diet & Lifestyle Approaches as Treatment for Diabetes Mellitus in the Pre-insulin Era
- **Carly Benson**, Med2027 -- Overt to Covert Paternalism: The Evolution of Hysteria to Anorexia Nervosa
- **Leann Blake**, Med2027 -- From Devil's Work to Public Good: Complicating the Legacy of Birth-Control Trailblazer Dr Elizabeth Bagshaw
- **Emmanuel Boujeke**, Med2027 -- Battling Beliefs: Resistance to Western Medicine in Colonial Africa
- **Jack Boynton**, Med2027 -- From Flying Ambulances to Telehealth: How Societal Crises have Shaped Emergency Medicine
- **Julia Cressman**, Med2026 -- Same Symptoms, Different Diagnosis: The Use of Gendered Medicine in the 19th Century
- **Hillary Hanna**, Med2026 -- The Controversial Legacy of Dr Helen MacMurchy: Navigating MacMurchy's Role as Public Health Pioneer and Controversial Eugenecist
- **Jennifer He**, Med2026 -- A Fractured Subject: The Influence of X-ray on Analytic Cubism
- **William Herspiegel**, Med2026 -- How a Cloudy Past Informed a Clearer Future: The Inception, Interruption, and Resurgence of Immediately Sequential Bilateral Cataract Surgery
- **Winston Hou**, Med2026 -- Auto-chir: A historical review of transport options for far forward surgery
- **Hanna Hronyecz**, Med2026 -- "Safe Sex in Tennessee": Harm Reduction during the Civil War
- **Aishwarya Kulkarni**, Med2026 -- Heretics of the Profession: Intraprofessional Dissent During the 1962 Saskatchewan Doctors' Strike
- **Raham Ladak**, Med2025 -- Contextualizing the Continuity of "Kerley's Lines" as an Eponym in Chest Radiography
- **Jason Lee**, Med2026 -- The Bittersweet Symphony of Dr William Halsted: Cocaine, Conduction Anesthesia, and the Price of Innovation
- **Nicholas Lee**, Med2026 -- Seeing Double: An exploration into the evolution of our understanding of Capgras delusion
- **Anthony Luginaah**, 2027 -- Neurophysiology and Dreaming: The discovery of REM sleep
- **Maryam Othman**, Med2027 -- Gap in the Literature: Use of Music Therapy in the Ottoman Empire
- **Wyatt Pickrell**, Med2027 -- From Sharpened Stones to Cystoscopes: How the Evolution of Medical Equipment Defined the Field of Urology
- **Kyla Pires**, Med2027 -- Unraveling the Dark Legacy: The Influence of Nazi Medical Education on Physicians
- **Chloe Pulver**, Med2027 -- From Function to Form: The Evolution of Reduction Mammoplasty and Its Aesthetic Transformation
- **Maya Rao**, Med2027 -- Unveiling the Alchemy of Weight Loss: A historical exploration of Ozempic and its Analogues
- **Olivia Sanders**, Med2027 -- Beyond the Pale: The Critical Need for Diverse Skin Portrayal in Medical Education & Texts
- **Rohail Shahid**, Med2026 -- The Sacred Disease -- Hippocrates's Radical Approach Defines Modern Medicine
- **Rachel Simpson**, Med2026 -- Heart Defects, Microcephaly, and Missing Ears: How did Isotretinoin Survive a Teratogenic Public Relations Disaster
- **Sydney Timmermans**, Med2027 -- A History of Sexual Assault Evidence Kits: The Silver Bullet to Approaching Gender Based Violence?
- **Regan Toltesi**, Med2027 -- Public Health Reform: An Unexpected Legacy of the 1917 Halifax Explosion
- **Andrea Wang**, Med2026 -- A Hot Topic in Anesthesiology: Malignant Hyperthermia
- **Bowen Xia**, Med2026 -- Maggots in Open Wound Therapy: Medicine's Unsung Heroes
- **Vivian Xu**, 2025 -- Standardization in Medicine: Dr Edmond "Ted" Eger II and the minimum alveolar concentration of anesthetics
- **Justin Yang**, Med2027 -- Beethoven's Deafness: An important story behind his hearing aids
- **Chris Zajner**, Med2025 -- Bacteriophage Therapy: A Victim of Historical Contingency?