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(1972-2022)

1972 L. Fortier, Montreal	1996 N. Sadik, New York
1973 P. White, Boston	1997 D.A. Grimes, San Francisco
1974 E.R. Plunkett, London, ON	1999 J. Bonnar, Dublin
1975 A.B. Little, Cleveland	2000 A. Vacca, Brisbane
1976 A.C. Turnbull, Oxford	2001 A.A. Calder, Edinburgh
1977 R.A. Chez, Bethesda	2002 R.L. Reid, Kingston
1978 J.P. Smith, Detroit	2003 A.H. Sultan, Croydon, UK
1979 E.A. Tanagho, San Francisco	2004 A.C. Allen, Halifax
1980 V.C. Buttram, Houston	2005 G.D.V. Hankins, Galveston
1981 G.D. Hodgen, Bethesda	2006 J.W.K. Ritchie, Toronto
1982 S.S. Yen, San Diego	2007 C. Greene, Calgary
1983 J.C. Sinclair, Hamilton	2008 T.F. Baskett, Halifax
1984 J.A. Pritchard, Dallas	2009 S.C. Rubin, Pennsylvania
1985 F.N. Rutledge, Houston	2010 M. Robson, Dublin
1986 W.J. Hannah, Toronto	2011 S. MacMillan, Halifax
1987 D.T. Baird, Edinburgh	2012 E. Greenblatt, Toronto
1988 J.M. Monaghan, Gateshead	2013 H.E. Richter, Birmingham
1989 J.B. Nelson, Minneapolis	2014 F. Petraglia, Siena, Italy
1990 V.M. Parisi, Houston	2015 K.S. Joseph, Vancouver
1991 P.G. McDonough, Augusta	2016 M. Owen, Winston-Salem
1992 J.A. Lamont, Hamilton	2017 M. Evans, New York
1993 P.A. Baird, Vancouver	2018 A. Altman, Manitoba
1994 J. Donnez, Brussels	2019 M. Gautam, Ottawa
1995 M.F. Myers, Vancouver	2022 F. Mattatall, Calgary



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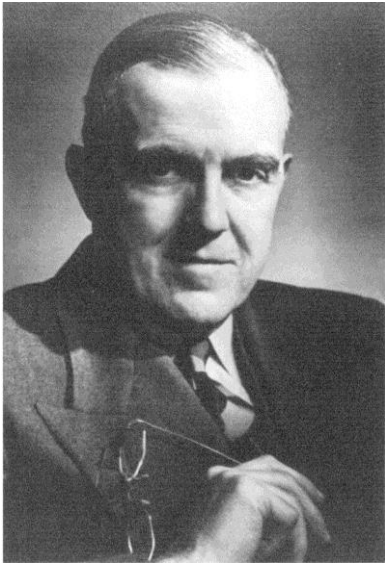
Clitoral Anatomy and Surgery: A Piece of the Sexual Pain Puzzle

Wednesday, April 2, 2025 at 7:30am
Parker Reception Room, G2066, Main Floor
IWK Health Centre, Women's Building
5980 University Ave, Halifax, NS



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H.B. ATLEE



Harold Benge Atlee was born in Pictou County, Nova Scotia on November 24, 1890. When he was 16 years old, he entered Dalhousie Medical School, and was its youngest medical graduate, at 20 years of age, in 1911. After one year of general practice in rural Nova Scotia, he went to London and, for two years, did junior resident jobs in surgery and obstetrics and gynaecology. At the outbreak of World War I, Atlee joined the RAMC and became regimental medical officer with the Irish Fusiliers. He was awarded the Military Cross for valour during the Gallipoli campaign in Turkey. After the war, further

hospital posts in London included a residency in Victor Bonney's Department.

In 1923, he returned to Halifax as the Professor and Chairman of the first combined Department of Obstetrics and Gynaecology at Dalhousie University; he held this post until 1958. In his early years, he supported himself by publishing essays, fiction and detective stories. He established the first residency training program in obstetrics and gynaecology at Dalhousie in 1946. A noted teacher, he promoted natural childbirth and early postpartum ambulation. In gynaecology, he advanced the management of gynaecological cancer and popularised the vaginal route for hysterectomy. His published books included: *The Gist of Obstetrics and Chronic Illiac Pain in Women*. He died in 1978.

In 1972, the Department of Obstetrics and Gynaecology established the Atlee Lectureship in his honour.

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Dr. May Sanaee (she/her) is a Urogynecologist and Chronic Pelvic Pain specialist at the Lois Hole Hospital for Women at the Royal Alexandra Hospital in Edmonton, Alberta. She is also an Associate Professor with the Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology at the University of Alberta. She currently serves as the clerkship director for the OBGYN course for third year medical students at the University of Alberta and conducts and supervises research trainees in the areas of urogynecology, chronic pelvic pain and medical education.

Dr. Sanaee completed her MD in 2011 (McMaster University) and Obstetrics and Gynecology residency program in 2016 (McMaster University). She went on to the University of British Columbia to complete an Advanced Subspecialty Fellowship training in Female Pelvic Medicine and Reconstructive Surgery (Urogynecology) and Sexual Medicine in 2018. She concurrently completed a Masters' degree in Medical Education in 2018 (McMaster University). Her thesis explored surgical innovation in gynecology.

Dr. Sanaee serves on the Board of Directors of the Canadian Society for Pelvic Medicine as past-president and advocates for the standardization of urogynecology training and practice. She was named Top 40 under 40 in Edmonton in 2023 for her work in women's health and urogynecology.