Dr. LD MacLean

Chair of the Department of Surgery 1968-1973, 1977-1982, 1987-1988



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Dr MacLean graduated medical school from the University of Alberta in 1949 and went on to complete his surgical training at the University of Minnesota, under the mentorship of Dr. Owen Wangensteen. In 1962, he was appointed Surgeon-in Chief at the Royal Victoria Hospital in Montreal, Quebec; a post he held until 1988. He was Chairman of the McGill University Department of Surgery from 1968-1973, 1977-1982 and 1987-1988. He was the first Edward W. Archibald Professor, Department of Surgery, McGill University from 1987-1993. Dr. MacLean made significant contributions to the study of shock, peritonitis, host resistance, transplantation and the development of surgery for obesity. Throughout his career he remained a passionate advocate for the advancement of patient care and the promotion of excellence in academic surgery. He was a member of numerous surgical societies and held officer roles in many, including President of the American Surgical Association, the Central Surgical Association and the American College of Surgeons. He received many honors including The Gairdner Wightman Award for his outstanding contributions to Canadian medicine as a surgeon, scientist, teacher and administrator. He was appointed an Officer in the Order of Canada in 1985 in recognition of his considerable contributions to the field of Medicine

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