Neil David Citron

Consultant orthopaedic surgeon St Helier’s Hospital, Sutton (b 1951; q Cambridge/University College Hospital, London, 1975; MChir), died from melanoma on 26 March 2011. Neil David Citron won the MRCS Hallett prize and completed his MChir on chondrocyte generation from stem cells at Cambridge in 1985. He completed his orthopaedic training at the Royal National Orthopaedic Hospital, Stanmore, and specialised in hand surgery in Strasbourg. He was then consultant in Sutton for 20 years. Creative but also meticulous, he had many ideas and applied the concept of trial, feedback, and improvement to his practice. He published widely, developed digital patient records, and collected data up to a month before his death. He enjoyed mentoring students and registrars. A keen violinist, he was also chair of a charity supporting an Israeli hospital that treats patients of any ethnic group. He leaves Myriam and three daughters.

Isabelle Citron
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John Alexander Lyttle

Former consultant neurologist Royal Victoria and Belfast City Hospitals (b 1933; q Belfast 1957; MD), d 23 October 2010. John Alexander Lyttle (“Jo”) first obtained an MD on renovascular hypertension in 1963, in an era when the professor of pathology had made his subject dominant throughout the medical school. However, he then trained in neurology at Whittington Hospital, London, and the National Hospital, Queen’s Square, and in Belfast, taking his MRCP in 1969. He was appointed consultant neurologist to the Royal Victoria and Belfast City Hospitals in 1970 and was author of many papers in this field until his retirement in 1996. He leaves a wife, Olivia, and a son and two daughters.

Richard Clarke
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Alistair Stewart McIntyre

Consultant physician and gastroenterologist Wycombe Hospital, Buckinghamshire (b 1957; q St Bartholomew’s Hospital, London, 1981; BSc, MD, FRCP), died from a subarachnoid haemorrhage on 1 May 2011. Alistair Stewart McIntyre was registrar and research fellow at Oldchurch and the Royal London Hospitals, senior registrar in Nottingham, and then consultant gastroenterologist at Wycombe Hospital from 1993. Relentlessly enthusiastic for medicine, he consistently gave sound clinical opinions. A clear logical problem solver, competitive, and fair-minded, Alistair inspired junior doctors and senior colleagues. He always had practical ideas, enjoying teaching and clinical research. He was chair of the training committee of the British Society of Gastroenterology, having previously been workforce coordinator and director of the Medical Workforce Unit of the Royal College of Physicians. Alistair had a deep Christian faith. He leaves a wife, Heather, and three children.

David Gorard, Sue Cullen
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Jack Nagington

Former consultant virologist Cambridge (b 1923; q Manchester 1947; MD), d 14 May 2011. Jack Nagington supported himself through medical school on a series of scholarships. He joined the Public Health Laboratory Service and, after national service in the Suez Canal zone during 1951-3, he became lecturer at the London School of Hygiene, obtaining with commendation his MD on the bactericidal action of serum on typhoid bacilli. He moved to Cambridge to help to set up a cell bank, using liquid nitrogen techniques and to study virus structure by electron microscopy, publishing early work on polio and orf viruses. He was responsible for the first UK isolate of Legionnaires’ disease in 1978, for predicting human ornithoses, and in identifying acanthamoeba as a cause of keratitis. Predeceased by his wife, Alma, in 2010, he leaves a daughter and three grandchildren.

Graham Buckley
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Michael McDonald Tellis

Former general practitioner Measham, Leicestershire (b 1936; q Edinburgh 1959; FRCGP), d 25 May 2010. After house jobs in Oldham, Michael McDonald Tellis joined a traditional general practice in Measham in 1962. He transformed it in 1968 by establishing the first purpose-built surgery in Leicestershire. He created a practice team of doctors, nurses, midwives, health visitor, social worker, and administrators working together in the same building—a move revolutionary. In 1975 he became lecturer in the new medical school at Leicester, helping to design and implement a curriculum that introduced medical students to community practice early, and later examined for the Royal Colleges of General Practitioners and of Physicians. Although he retired to Australia to be near his family, a new road in Measham was recently named after him. He leaves a wife, Heather; three daughters; and eight grandchildren.

Susan Spencer
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