

Herbert I. Horowitz

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Dr. Herbert I. Horowitz, clinical assistant professor of medicine at Cornell University Medical College and chief of hematology at the Bronx-Lebanon Hospital Center in New York City, died at the age of 42 on March 30, 1971.

Dr. Horowitz was graduated from Yale in 1949 and received his medical degree from the State University of New York Downstate Medical Center in Brooklyn in 1953. He was an intern and resident physician at Montefiore Hospital in New York. After two years of medical service in the United States Navy Medical Corps, he completed his graduate studies at Duke University and in hematology at the Montefiore Hospital. He joined the New York Hospital-Cornell Medical Center in 1960 as the hematologist to the Central Laboratories. He was appointed an assistant professor in the Department of Medicine in 1962. He continued his teaching duties at the Medical College after joining the Bronx-Lebanon Hospital as hematologist-in-chief in 1963.

Dr. Horowitz was a distinguished, nationally respected hematologist who in his brief scientific career contributed over forty articles to scientific publications, chiefly on blood coagulation and the role of the blood platelet in clotting processes. He was an acknowledged expert in the area of immunologic drug purpura and helped devise some of the first clinical tests which demonstrated this phenomenon in man. He was a participant in many major international conferences and in August 1970 presented a summary of his research studies at a meeting of the International Society of Hematology in Munich. In 1970 he and his co-workers were cited by the Journal of the American Medical Association for his outstanding contribution in demonstrating that the bleeding tendency in kidney failure is caused by a metabolic toxin that inhibits blood platelet function.

Dr. Horowitz served on the editorial boards of *Transfusion and Coagulation*, was a Fellow of the American College of Physicians, and a member of the American Physiological Society and the American and International Societies of Hematology. In addition to his major scientific Pursuits, he was an excellent lecturer and teacher and continued to play an important role in the teaching program of the second-year medical students at Cornell. He was respected and admired by his friends and scientific colleagues for his gentle humor and quiet courage.

Dr. Horowitz resided in Mount Vernon, New York, with his wife, the former Ellen Gossert, and three children, Lisa, David, and Gregory.

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