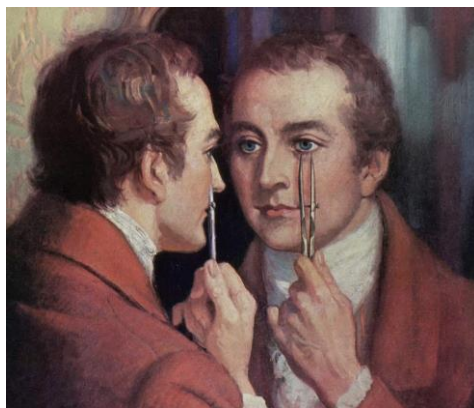


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**Saturday 2nd November, 2024, Reardon Smith Lecture Theatre  
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## **Thomas Young: The Man Who Probably Knew Everything**

**A talk by Dr Howell Lloyd**



Thomas Young was born in 1773 to a Quaker family, the eldest son of 10 children. By the age of 14 he had learned 11 languages and was precociously gifted in mathematics. He was clearly exceptional and destined for great things.

Although he qualified as a doctor his interests and expertise extended much further. His lasting contributions to physics, vision, light, energy, solid mechanics, musical harmony and Egyptology still hold sway. To this day we still use the terms and theories discovered or devised by Thomas Young. He is still regarded by the great and good of the world of science as the greatest polymath of all time.

Dr Howell Lloyd qualified in medicine at St George's Hospital, London. Before taking up his appointment as Consultant Physician with a special interest in diabetes and endocrinology at the Royal Gwent Hospital, Newport, he had spent two exciting years in general practice in Cornwall. However, the lure of hospital medicine drew him back. On retirement he spent 8 years with Tenovus during which period he became interested in the history of medicine. After joining the History of Medicine Society of Wales, he delivered many lectures on the subject and became its President. The intriguing title of today's lecture reveals the extraordinary life of Thomas Young and will be of interest to a wide audience.

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There is no charge for the event which includes tea/coffee and biscuits, served in the Oriel Suite as usual; you may if you wish make a voluntary donation on the day to help cover our costs

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