Dr. Gordon graduated from the University of Saskatchewan Faculty of Medicine in 1966. He trained in General Surgery at the Jewish General Hospital and became the first fellow in Colorectal Surgery at the University of Minnesota under Dr. Stanley Goldberg in 1973. He became an honorary assistant in surgery at St Mark’s Hospital in London in 1974 where he co-authored the landmark paper on anal fistulas with the Late Sir Allan Parks. He subsequently returned to the Jewish General Hospital where he began his career in Colorectal Surgery.

Dr. Gordon was instrumental in beginning colorectal surgery at McGill and in Canada. He was the founding President of the Canadian Society of Colorectal Surgeons from 1982-1986. He was the only Canadian to have served as President of the American Society of Colon and Rectal Surgeons in 1994. He co-authored several textbooks on Colorectal Surgery, which have served as references in the field. He has served on numerous editorial boards of prestigious peer-reviewed journals, and has co-authored numerous articles in peer-reviewed journals and textbooks. He has become an honorary member of the Royal Society of Medicine Section of Coloproctology as well as of the Association of Coloproctology of Great Britain and Ireland. He was named to the Faculty Honour List for Educational Excellence in recognition of contributions to teaching in the McGill Faculty of Medicine in 2007.

This lecture was established to recognize Dr. Gordon’s life-long devotion and contributions to Colorectal Surgery at the Jewish General Hospital, McGill University and the community at large.

**PHILIP H. GORDON VISITING PROFESSORS**

2016 - Dr. Tracy L. Hull  
2017 - Dr. Herand Abcarian, Dr. Robert Madoff, Dr. Terry Phang, Dr. Steven Wexner

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We are honoured to welcome the following visiting professors to the 2nd annual Colorectal Academic Day in honour of Dr. Philip H. Gordon

**HERAND ABCARIAN, MD, FACS, FASCRS**

Dr. Herand Abcarian, Professor of Surgery at the University of Illinois at Chicago, received his medical degree from the Teheran University School of Medicine. He completed his internship, surgical residency & fellowship in Colon & Rectal Surgery at Cook County Hospital in Chicago. He was the Chief of the Division of Colon & Rectal Surgery at John Stroger Hospital of Cook County and has served as a past president of the American Society of Colon & Rectal Surgeons, the American Society Colon & Rectal Surgeons Research Foundation, executive director of the American Board of Colon & Rectal Surgery as well as on the editorial board of Diseases of the Colon & Rectum, World Journal of Surgery and British Journal of Surgery.

**ROBERT MADOFF, MD, FACS, FASCRS FRCSced (Hon)**

Dr. Robert Madoff, Professor of Surgery at the University of Minnesota, received his medical degree from the College of Physicians & Surgeons at Columbia University. Following completion of his surgical internship, residency & fellowship at the University of Minnesota, he joined the faculty where he became Chief of the division. He is the founding director of the William C Bernstein Familial Cancer Registry as well as the medical director of the Cancer Risk Management Program at the University of Minnesota. He is Editor-in-Chief Emeritus of Diseases of the Colon & Rectum.

**TERRY PHANG, MD, FRCSC, FACS, FASCRS**

Dr. Terry Phang, Professor of Surgery at the University of British Columbia, received his medical degree from the University of Toronto. He completed his internship at St Michael's Hospital in Toronto & his surgical residency at Memorial University of Newfoundland. He did his fellowship in colorectal surgery at the University of Minnesota. He served as past president of the Canadian Society of Colon & Rectal Surgeons and as chair of both the Royal College Exam Board in Colorectal Surgery and the Research Committee of the Canadian Society of Colon & Rectal Surgeons. He is presently the director of the UBC Colon & Rectal fellowship program.

**STEVEN WEXNER, MD, PhD(Hon), FACS, FRCS(ed), FASCRS, FACG**

Dr. Steven Wexner, Director of the Digestive Disease Center at Cleveland Clinic Florida and Professor of Surgery at Ohio State University, received his medical degree from Cornell University in New York & completed his surgical residency at Roosevelt Hospital in New York followed by a colorectal fellowship at the University of Minnesota. He has been on staff at Cleveland Clinic Florida where he has served as Chairman of the Department of Colorectal Surgery and director of the Digestive Disease Institute. He is past president of the American Society of Colon & Rectal Surgeons and its research Foundation, as well as SAGES, and has served on the executive of numerous other societies. He is on the editorial boards of 48 journals which is a reflection of his prolific publications & accolades.

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**PROGRAM**

**Wednesday, May 3**

**Research Morning** (Lady Davis Institute – Bloomfield Lecture Hall)

- 8:00 - 8:30  Using social media to help build an academic career – Dr. Wexner
- 8:30 - 9:00  Getting your research published – Dr. Madoff
- 9:00 - 11:30  Research presentations with expert feedback
- 11:45 - 12:45  Lunch (Nurses Amphitheater Room A. 139)

**Expert Talks** (Nurses Amphitheater Room A. 139)

- 13:00 - 13:30  Rectal cancer: Fundamentals and controversies – Dr. Wexner
- 13:30 - 14:00  Familial colorectal cancers: what you need to know – Dr. Madoff
- 14:00 - 14:30  Parastomal hernia: From prevention to treatment – Dr. Abcarian
- 14:30 - 15:00  Large Bowel Obstruction: Evidence-based management – Dr. Phang
- 15:00 - 15:15  Coffee break (Nurses Amphitheater Room A. 139)

**In the clinic with the professor** (Nurses Amphitheater Room A. 139)

- 15:15 - 15:30  Your approach to anal fissures – Dr. Abcarian
- 15:30 - 15:45  Your approach to fecal incontinence – Dr. Wexner
- 15:45 - 16:00  Your approach to dysplasia and anal cancer – Dr. Madoff
- 16:00 - 16:15  Your approach to hemorrhoids – Dr. Phang
- 16:15 - 17:30  Interesting cases for residents and fellows – Dr. Abcarian, Dr. Madoff and Dr. Phang, moderated by Dr. Wexner

**Thursday, May 4**

**Grand Rounds** (Block Amphitheater)

- 7:30-8:30  Why do we have so much trouble treating anal fistulas? – Dr. Abcarian