

Memoriam and Dedication



Henrietta L. Leonard, MD
(1954–2007)

In dwelling, live close to the ground.
In thinking, keep to the simple.
In conflict, be fair and generous.
In governing, don't try to control.
In work, do what you enjoy.
In family life, be completely present.

—*Tao Te Ching*

Henrietta Leonard was kind, gracious, and amazingly personable. Her passion for science, medicine, and for life was infectious. Her ability to make others feel important was genuine. Yet, as one of her colleagues pointed out, “Henri’s intelligence and accomplishments are exceeded only by her modesty.” She always found time for her students and trainees, often well past their dates of graduation. She was meticulous in her work and provided clarity to the most intricate of issues. She balanced a full family life and a rich professional life. She played an important part in so many of our lives.

Beyond being an internationally acclaimed researcher, educator, editor, author, mentor, colleague, and friend, Henri was a central member of our academic family at Brown. She will be missed greatly and remembered fondly. Her legacy lives on in the hearts and minds of those who were fortunate to have known her. Her work lives on through the many patients whose lives she improved and the numerous trainees whom she nurtured and mentored.

Henrietta was a staunch supporter of ethical conduct in pediatric research trials, including appropriate informed consent and assent procedures. We quite fittingly dedicate this issue on ethics to her.

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