UTR1.70 - THE SIR RONALD FISHER PRIZE IN GENETICS

A. In 1962, Professor J.H. Bennett gave to the University the sum of $300 for the purpose of establishing a prize in memory of the late Sir Ronald A. Fisher F.R.S. who was closely associated with the Genetics Department from 1959 until his death in 1962.

B. The prize called ‘The Sir Ronald Fisher Prize in Genetics’ was made available for award annually, from 1962-1973 inclusive, to the candidate who was placed highest in the work and annual examinations of the Genetics III course.

C. Professor Bennett gave the University a further sum of $400 in 1974 which permitted the establishment of an additional prize.

D. The University accepted the donations upon the trusts specified and the donations therefore became the capital subject to those trusts (‘capital sum’).

Name of the Fund

1. The capital sum, all income arising from the capital sum, and any accumulations and additions thereto together form a fund called ‘The RA Fisher Prizes in Genetics’ (‘fund’).

Investment of the Fund

2. The fund is to be amalgamated for the purposes of investment, and held in a common fund, and the net income earned by the common fund shall be credited, rateably, to the funds so amalgamated and thereafter distributed according to the trusts specified by the donor.

Rules

The following rules are hereby made:

1. The prizes shall be known as ‘The R.A. Fisher Prizes in Genetics’.

2. Two prizes shall be available for award annually as follows:

   (a) one to the candidate placed highest in order of merit amongst those who pass with distinction in the annual examination of Genetics II;

   (b) one to the candidate who, having presented in both Level III subjects in Genetics, is placed highest in order of merit overall in these subjects, provided that no award shall be made unless the candidate has reached a standard equivalent to that of a pass with distinction.

3. The value of each prize shall be $600 until otherwise determined by the University Council.

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