Edith Kate Dawson MBE MA MD DSc FRCSEd FRCPEd

Reference and contact details: GB779 RCSEd GD/24 Location: RS L5 Title: Edith Kate Dawson Dates of Creation: Held at: The Royal College of Surgeons of Edinburgh Extent: Name of Creator: Language of Material: English. Level of Description:

Administrative/Biographical History:

In 1961, Dr E.K. Dawson, a pathologist of international repute and distinction, came to work in the Museum of the Royal College of Surgeons of Edinburgh. In addition to performing the diagnostic histology for Fellows she undertook a great deal of research work on the material in the Museum and donated to the College a large quantity of histological material, including whole sections of breast and other organs, some of which have been specially mounted for demonstration purposes.

The opportunity afforded by the advent of Dr Dawson and the material she contributed was taken to build up a histological reference library which is available for consultation and for research workers. The Dawson Collection fills the entire RS L5 section of the archive.

The material is listed here very generally. In many instances it is clinical and complex in nature.

Some biographical references

Tansey, V. & Mekie, D.E.C. . The Museum of the RCSEd. Edinburgh: Edith K. Dawson, M.A., M.D.. "In memoriam James Walker Dawson 1870-1927" her husband. Dawson, J.W. The spirit of leisure and the spirit of work.

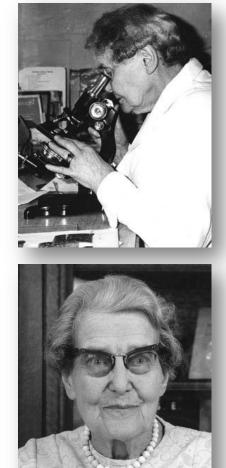
Thesis

University of Edinburgh Dissertation 1936 Studies in the normal and pathological histology of mammary tissues

Papers & reprints

Dawson, J.W Histology of disseminated sclerosis	Ed Med J 1916
Dawson, E. K. Harvey, W. F. Sweat gland carcinoma of the breast	Ed Med J 1932 N.S. <u>39(7)</u> 409-438.
Dawson, E. K. Shaw, J. J. M. Mammary cancer(2 copies)	Brit J Surg 1937 <u>25(</u> 97) 100-116
Dawson, E. K. Innes, J. R. M. Harvey, W. F. Debatable tumours.	
2. Lymphosarcoma.	Ed Med J 1937 N.S. <u>44</u> 645-652
Innes, J. R. M Harvey, W. F. Dawson, E. K.	
Debatable tumours in human and animal pathology.	
3. Seminoma	Ed Med J 1938 N.S. <u>45</u> 36-42
Dawson, E. K. Innes, J. R. M. Harvey, W. F. Debatable tumours	
in human and animal pathology. 5. Giant-cell tumour of bone	Ed Med J 1938 N.S. <u>45</u> 491-504
Harvey, W. F. Dawson, E. K. Innes, J. R. M. Debatable tumours	
in human and animal pathology. 7. Granulosa-cell tumour of	
ovary (2 copies)	Ed Med J 1939 N.S. <u>46</u> 256-266

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J R Coll Surg Edin, 1982 J R Coll Surg Edin. 1965 Oct; 11(1): 72 J Pathol Bact 1928. Vol. 31. Ed Med J Jan 1924.

Dawson, E. K. Harvey, W. F. Innes, J. R. M. Debatable tumours in human and animal pathology. 9.	
Endothelioma (2 copies)	Ed Med J 1940 N.S. <u>47</u> 513-540
Dawson, E. K. Harvey, W. F. Chordoma	Ed Med J 1941 <u>48</u> 713-729
Dawson, E. K. Harvey, W. F. Macro- and micro-diagnosis of cancer	Ed Med J 1942 <u>49</u> 401-408
Dawson, E. K. Davie, T. M. Mammary carcinoma	Ed Med J 1942 <u>49</u> 247-258
Riddell, V. Carcinoma of the breast: A review of the treatment.	
A lecture delivered at The Royal College of Surgeons	
of England	Ann Roy Coll Surg Eng 1954 <u>14</u> . 215-246
Dawson, E. K. Fibrosing adenosis	Ed Med J 1954 <u>61</u> 391-401
Teicher, I. Ariel, Irving. M. et al A surgical dilemma:	
the treatment of potentially curable breast cancer.	

Resident & Staff Physician 1978. 55-73

Brown folder 1

"Dr Dawson's liposarcomas List" 5 photocopied pages of "Dr Dawson's liposarcomas, with patient age and gender, not named. No date

Brown folder 2

"Drawings by Dr Dawson and some notes. "C" cases etc."

- 1. list of (?Private) patients' names
- 2. Typed and annotated case notes for patient MR
- 3. Typed and annotated case notes for patient ME
- 4. Typed and annotated case notes for patient MC
- 5. Typed and annotated case notes for patients
- 6. Typed and annotated case notes for patients
- 7. Typed and annotated case notes for patients
- 8. Typed and annotated case notes for patients
- 9. Typed and annotated case notes for patients
- 10. Typed and annotated case notes for patients
- 10a. Small sheet typed case notes
- 11. 3 pages of pathological drawings
- 12. Plate IV. Colour drawing on card
- 13. Colour drawing on black folded card by C. Shepley 193
- 14. 6 small sheets of paper with 'Fig' captions in blue fountain pen

1920s-30s

Brown folder 3

"Prints and negs. Breast - ? Thesis. Extra copies

27 monochrome photographs of breast tissue.

8 sets of negatives for patients cases 2, 4, 7, 34, 40, 44, 58 and 59

No dates

Brown folder 4

"Notes, negs & prints on lipo- osteo- and chondro-& fibro-sarcoma

Envelope 1: 5 photographs & 2 one-page typescripts on Liposarcoma

Envelope 2: 7 photographs and I typescript sheet on chondro- and osteo- sarcoma

Envelope 3: marked 'International Congress Sarcoma Material'

- 1. 1 Glass slide in envelope with 'Canc. Hosp.' Numbers and text on slide envelope. N.d.
- 2. Slides and photographs in envelope marked 'fibro' and case note for Miss D. April 1938
- 3. Envelope 'Mrs W. Case 11' 12 photographs. I neg 3 pink cards of publication instructions?and a letter from J. N. J. Hartley (RCSED Museum Conservator) to Dr Dawson at RCP Laboratory 2 Forrest Road, thanking Dr Dawson for her clinical notes the lymphangioma of the epididymis and regretting that there are so few microsections of giant-cell tumours.

Large envelope 'Dr Dawson's negs, prints & reprints & notes

?Fibroadenoma-sarcoma

- 1. Letter 29th October 1959 to EKD from Dr RT Cooke re an interesting specimen
- 2. Note of 2 references on fibroadenoma
- **3.** 5 photographs of breast cancer of Mrs A.
- 4. 3 notes of references in BJS, J Urol...papilloma and clinical notes

Huge number of reprints sent to her by colleagues, notes and photographs of cases

Archival box A

Book 1 Willis, Rupert A. Teratomas. Washington DC, Armed Forces Institute of Pathology. 1951 **Book 2** Adami, J George. Inflammation: an introduction to the study of pathology. 1907 (ex libris J W Dawson)

Packet 1

- 1. Letter dated October 21st 1957 to Dawson from R. Willis with mammary pathology query
- 2. Notes: Medical aspects of the menopause. N.d.

circa 30 photographs related to breast carcinoma/papilloma [1950s?]

- 3. Envelope addressed to Doctor EK Dawson, The Museum Royal College of Surgeons Edinburgh.
- 4. Contains note from E Clayton-Jones of the Lancet to Mrs Dawson asking her to write an annotation on the Lancet article on pale epithileum of the breast. Article and annotation enclosed.

Packet 2

- 1. Literature search printed 1970, on breast neoplasms in pregnancy. Annotated.
- 2. Scot Med J. 1968 13 pp 277-278. Barbour & Baruah. Inhibition of lactation...
- 3. Clinical notes on cancer therapy, follow up on 101 patients plus assorted small notelets. N.d. 1960s?
- 4. Notes book "Pregnancy and Lactation tumours"
- 5. Engel, S. Anatomy of the lactating breast. Brit J Child Dis 1941. Copy with author's compliments
- 6. Notes book pale brown with pink spine. "Pregnancy/Lactation Tumours (Primary) Literature and <u>reversed</u> "Pregnancy/Lactation Tumours- actual and relevant CASES
- 7. Dawson, E.K. The menopausal age and mammary carcinoma. Lancet repr. 1932. Page 1252
- 8. Approx 50 small assorted notes on lactation and breast carcinoma inside a folded handwritten
- summary of an article by Pack & Scharnagel in Cancer 1951 4 page 324 -. 1930s?
- 9. Scraps of clinical notes on named patients.

Packet 3

1. Letter dated January 1974 to Mr James Ross PRCSEd accepting the article written by Ross and Dawson for publication in the Journal of Bone and Joint Surgery. 'Benign chondroblastoma of bone' (2 copies of the article) with proof marks.

Envelope 1

Addressed to EKD. Contains (a) an envelope of 18 small pathological drawings and 2 photographs (with names of patients on reverse).

Contains (b) 18 other drawings some coloured, and two photographs, all of pathological nature. **Envelope 2**

1. 15 plates, some mounted, in envelope (marked "Old plates (publ. papers)") ADDRESSED TO Dr Dawson, University Pathology Department and postmarked Dumfries 1960

Envelope 3

1. Approx 50 glass slides of breast carcinoma samples. HAZARDOUS TO HANDLE-Seek advice

Archival box B

Packet 1

- 1. Typescript (2 copies) Publications. Edith K. Dawson MBE MA MD FRCSED Hon FRCPEd DSc Hon FRCPath Hon Member of the Pathological Society of Great Britain and Ireland
- 2. Typescript (16 p) "part of MD Thesis (1936) EK Dawson
- 3. Brown envelope "Bibliographies Various" [related to her thesis?]

Beige folder

1. Pocket file marked "Rochdale. Lymphangioma. BREAST.

<u>Notebooks</u>

- 1. 1950s 1960s? Clinical cases notes book. "Outside cases (as others in Index?) Book 2 988-"
- 2. 1960s1970s? Notes on breast disease ("SARCOMA of BREAST-further abstracted refs & notes)
- 3. 1950s? Notes on breast disease (White label with "VARIOUS")

Reprints:

1900s-1970s bundle arranged chronologically except oversize* . Some annotated

- 1. Lindsay et al. Histology of liver tissue.
- J Path Bact 1909 <u>13</u>
- Matsuoka,Y. On the process of atrophy ...fat cells J Path Bact 1915 <u>20</u>
 Kettle, E.H. On polymorphism ...malignant epithelial cell Proc Roy Soc Med 1919 <u>12</u> 1-32
- 4. Cheatle G.L. Cycsts and primary cysts of the breast. Brit J Surg 1920 <u>8(</u>30)

5.	Dawson, E.K. Spirit of leisure work.	Ed Med J 1924 Jan
6.	M, A.G. In memoriam James Walker Dawson 1870-1927	J Path Bact 1928 <u>31</u> (Includes photo)
7.	Heaton, T.B. Effect of inhibition of connective tissue	J Path Bact 1929 <u>32</u>
8.	Shaw, J.J.M. Melanotic tumours	Ed Med J 1929 July
9.	Fraser, John. Tumours of bone.	Ed Med J 1930 Oct 153-174
10.	Percival & Stewart. Melanogenesis	Ed Med J 1930
11.	Harding H.E. & Passey, R.D. Transplantable melanoma	J Path Bact 1930 33
12.	Dawson, E.K. Sweat gland carcinoma of the breast	Ed Med J 1932 39(7)
13.	Crile, Lower, Nichols, Dickson, Graham et al	Cleveland Clinic Quarterly 1932 1(1) whole issue
14.	Gilbert, J.B. Carcinoma of the male breast	Surg Gynecol Obstet 1933 57 451-466
	includes Dawson material "for Dawson room"	
15.	Dawson, E.K. Histological study mammatumour	Ed Med J 1934 41
16.	Harvey & Hamilton. Carcino-sarcomacancer	Ed Med J 1935 42 (7) 337-
17.	Armstring, Bell and others [fibroma][mole]	Western J Surg Obstet Gynecol 1935 (*oversize)
18.	Cappell, D. F diagnosis of tuberculosisbreast	Ed Med J 1936 43 134-143
19.	Dawson, Innes & Harvey. Debatable tumours5	Ed Med J 1938 45 491-
20.	Dawson, Innes & Harvey. Debatable tumours 6	Ed Med J 1938 45 855-
21.	Stout, A. Pmalignant amelanotic melanoma	Am J Cancer 1938 33 196-204
22.	Struthers, J.W. Giant-cell tumour of bone	Ed Med J 1939 46 183-
23.	Tod, M. C. Tumours of the lung, mediastinum	Ed Med J 1939 46 93-
24.	Harvey & Dawson. Chordoma	Ed Med J 1941 48 713-
25.	Willis, R. A. A reviewcancer autopsies	Med J Aust 1941 258-
26.	Murray, M.R. & Stout, A.P. Characteristics of a liposarcon	ma Am J Path 1943 29 751-763
27.	Savatard, L. Cancer en cuirasse	Brit J Dermatol Syphilis 1943 55 31-39
28.	Moir, PJ et al Symposium – Malignant melanoma	Brit J Radiol 1946 29 217-
29.	Dawson, E.K. Melanomata: some observations	Brit J Radiol 1946 29 219- (5 copies)
30.	Stout, A. P. Fibrosarcoma	Cancer 1948 1(1) 30-63
31.	Lendrum, A.C. Surgical significancetumours	Ann Roy Coll Surg Eng 1948 32-43
32.	Dawson, E.K. II "precancerous conditions" of the breast	Brit J Radiol 1948 21 (252) 590-
33.	Clemmesen Cade, Ledlie, McWhirter,breast	Brit J Radiol 1948 21 (258) 583-
34.	Oppenheimer & Stout. Sarcomas inducedcellophane	Proc Soc Exp Biol Med 1948 67 33-34
35.	Ackerman, L. V. Malignant melanoma	Am J Clin Path 1948 18 (8)

Archival box C

Letter

1966 Sept 1st From Peter Daniel to EKD "mammary adenoma" <u>Reprints</u>

•	Stout, A.P. Seminar on tumors of the soft tissues	Am Soc Clin Path Chicago 1951
•	Kennaway, E. Biographical aspect of social medicine	Middlesex Hosp J Dec 1951 & Feb 1952
•	Hieger & Orrcarcinogenic activity of purified cholesterol Br J Car	ncer 1954 <u>8</u> 274-
•	Dawson, E. K. Fibrosing adenosismammary	Ed Med J 1954 <u>61</u> 391-
•	Severi et al. Istopatalogia del carcinoma	Atti Della Societa Italiana Cancerologia
	1958	
•	Kernohan & Sayre. Tumors	Atlas of tumor pathology Sect 10
	Fascicle 36	
•	Deacon & Taylor. Hydradenoma of the vulva	J Obstet Gynaecol Brit Empire 1952 59 1
•	Sirsat, M. V. Carcinoma of the male breast	Indian J Surg 1957 29 2
•	Stout, A.P. Chondrosarcoma	Cancer 1953 6 (3)
•	Hieger, I. Cholesterol as a carcinogen	Proc Roy Soc 1957 147 84-
•	Dawson, E.K. Fibrosing adenosis	Ed Med J 1954 61 391-
•	MacFarlane, A. Liposarcoma of the breast	Brit J Surg 1957 45 189 106-107
•	Stout, A. P. Role of pathologybreast	J Southern Med Assoc 1950 43 3
•	Lichtenstein & Bernstein. Unusual benignbone	Cancer 1959 12 1142-1157
•	Sandison, A.T. Metastatic tumours in the breast	Brit J Surg 1959 47 201 54-58
•	Ewing & Powelldiagnosisskin tumours	Brit J Surg 38 152
•	In memoriam George T Pack (1898-1969)	Pack 1969

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•	Dawson, E.K. Sarcomas of the breast	Cancer Progress 1960
•	Dawson, E.K. Pathology of breast	Cancer Volume 2. Chapter 15
•	Sandison, A.T. Pathologist looks at Egyptian mummies	Scot Soc Hist Med 1962 41 st meeting
•	Oettle, A.G. An international geopathological year	Int Pathol Bull 1963 4
•	Ariel & pack. Intra-arterial chemotherapyliver	Arch Surg 1965 91 851-
•	Ober, W.B. Synthetic	J Clin Path 1966 19 138-
•	Salm & Hugheschronic paraffin pneumonitis	Thorax 1970 25 6 762-
•	Gardner, D. L. & Hall, T.A. Electron-microprobeavian bone	J Path 1969 98 2 105-109
•	Cameron, JRJ. Melanoma of skin	J Roy Coll Surg Edinb 1968 13 233-254
•	Pack, G.T. Unusual tumors of the stomach 717-	Annals N Y Acad Sciences 1964 114 2
•	Pack, G.T. Cancer therapy P	rogress Clin Cancer1965
•	Oettle, A.G. Cancer and environmental influences	S.A. Cancer Bull 1962 6 3 110-124
•	Katz & Klugmancarcinomatosis of bonefemale	S. A. Med J 1967 41 603-605
•	Levin et al. Mucoviscidosis (cystic	S. A. Med J 1967 41 482-
•	Campbell ACP et al. Tumours in childrenManchester	Brit Med J 1961 1 448-
•	Lurie & Selvey. Calcifying mucoid carcinoma Bantu child S	outh Afr J Surg 1964 2 1 21-
•	Birch et al. Hypeglobulinaemic purpuratumour	Lancet 1964 693-
•	Cox, M.T. Malignant lymphoma of the thyroid	J Clin Path 1964 17 591-
•	Shivas & Finlayson. Resistance of arteries to tumour	Brit J Cancer 1965 19 486-
Typescript		
•	Russell & Holt. Colloid (gelatinous) carcinoma of the breast	1950s?
Brown folder		
Hai	ndmade leather photograph album "Glastonbury 1923" with	photographs

Book

Rupert A. Willis's Dissertatio ad laurem medicinae consequendam honoris causa. Perugia 1973 (Signed by author with a letter from him to Dr Dawson

Handwritten Notebooks

Title/Description [few dates]

Author	Title/Description [few dates]
Dawson, E. K.	Practice of Medicine I. Session 1917-1918. Lectures I-XX.
(*written when E.K. Chandler)	Women Students Union, Edinburgh
Dawson, E. K.*	Practice of Medicine II. Lectures XXI-XLI. Women Students Union, Edinb
Dawson, E. K. *	Practice of Medicine III. Lectures XLI-LXIV. Women Students Union, Edinb
Dawson, E. K. *	Notes of Lectures on Medicine (XLI continued)
Dawson, E. K. *	Practice of Medicine IV. Lectures LXV-LXXXVI. Women Students Union, Edinb
Dawson, E. K. *	Professor [??] Theology/Historical Method & Literature Notebook
Dawson, E. K.	Lit. Abstracts. Breasts
Dawson, E. K.	Mesenchyme Jottings: Sarcoma.
Dawson, E. K.	University notes: Notes on nervous system lesions
Dawson, E. K.	Lit. Abts. Book II. Pigmented augioma
Dawson, E. K.	Lit. Abts. Book IV. P/L (Pregnancy/Lactation)
Dawson, E. K.	Notes on Debatable Tumour VIII: Melanoma
Dawson, E. K.	Notes on Debatable Tumour XI: Angioendothelioma
Dawson, E. K.	Blood Pictures. R.C.P Laboratory
Dawson, E. K.	Odd abstracts from the journals [c1963]
Dawson, E. K.	Pigmented augioma
Dawson, E. K.	Microphthalmia
Dawson, E. K.	Notebook with notes on 46 scientific papers (listed on inside cover)
Dawson, E. K.	1) Benign breast lesions 2) Malignant breast lesions
Dawson, E. K.	Handwritten notes of individual patients, categorised by slide number
Dawson, E. K.	Outsiders (Book 2) with Index & List of Special Cases. 988-

Dawson, E. K.	Various notes [including lymphangioma]
Dawson, E. K.	Sarcoma of breast (abstracted refs & notes)
Dawson, E. K.	1) Carcinoma Br. In Young Subjects 2) Tumours of Breast
	3) Papillomas of Breast – Benign & Mailignant
Dawson, E. K.	Cell inclusions in sarcoidosis (with Dr Levinthal]
Dawson, E. K.	Liposacroma Notebook I. Liposarcoma of bone (+ of soft tissues: Literature)
Dawson, E. K.	Liposacroma Notebook 3. Literature.
Dawson, E. K.	Literature (Breast Malignancy)
Dawson, E. K.	References (general [1948-1966]
Dawson, E. K.	Preg./Lact. (Pregnancy/Lactation)
Dawson, E. K.	Notes & refs including Perugia Report (7103) N.B Papilliary mal. of breast
Dawson, E. K.	Thesis and R.C.S cases and carcinoma notes in a form for possible
	publication? [includes 'odd' papers)
Dawson, E. K.	P/L Book V. Pregnancy and/or Lactation with mammary tumours
	(mainly carcinoma)
Dawson, E. K.	Book III (lit.) Abst. 1-58 (32-36 not yet abstracted).
	Lit. on Ca. Br + Pregnancy and/or Lactation
Dawson, E. K.	Book VI Canada 1) Br. Lesions in the young2) Ca. + Preg/Lact- series of
young cases	
Dawson, E. K.	Ca-Sarc of Stomach reversed
	Lecture Notes on Bruntsfield Lipomyosarcoma
Dawson, E. K.	Rough notebook with notes on scientific papers regarding cancer of kidney,
	thigh, adrenal cortex and stomach. Includes many loose-pages with printed
	bibliographies etc.
Dawson, E. K.	Notes on selected cases. F.U.D (Breast)
Dawson, E. K.	Notes of lectures on chordoma
Dawson, E. K.	New Papers. 1. Carcinomatous Fibroadenoma
Dawson, E. K.	Book I. Pregnancy and Lactation. Histories 1-55 cases. Male breast
carcinomas	
Dawson, E. K. <i>Lact.</i>	Book II (lit.) Cases 55-101. Breast 1) Refs from Haagenson 2) Index of Preg +
	Cases 3) Histology of Preg + Lact. Cases All data of Preg + Lact. 56 on.
Dawson, E. K.	Jottings re breast sarcoma + Outline of work (application)
Dawson, E. K.	Retroperitoneal (Tissue) Tumours reversed Mammary Papers
Dawson, E. K.	Ca. Br. In Young Subjects (35+ years)

Large white'Storall' box

Handwritten notebooks, undated, in E K Dawson's handwriting, including various printed reprints, clinical photographs etc and other material incl reprints and publications

- 1. Retroperitoneal (Tissue) Tumours
- 2. Jottings re Breast Sarcoma and outline of work (application)
- 3. Cell Inclusions in Sarcoidosis (with Dr Levinthal) Material
- 4. Carcinoma Br. In Young Subjects Lit + Cases[?]
- 5. Tumours of[scored out] removed to Ca box
- 6. Papillomas of Breast Benign & Malignant
- 7. Pregnancy and lactation
- 8. For Perugia notes. Breast. Notes & Refs including Perugia Report (7103...) NB Papillary malignancy of breast
- 9. Ca.Br. in Young Subjects (35 & less)
- 10. Ref (general) "Given in the cancer field, skepticism is not always healthy" Fred W Stewart. [assorted scribbles
 - and long list of years, probably of refs
- 11. Literature (Breast malignancy)
- 12. Literature. Liposarcoma. Note Book 3. 1. Liposarcoma 9/12 "It is through the careful analysis..."
- 13. Literature. Liposarcoma Note Book 1. Liposarcoma of Bone (& of soft tissues)

- 14. Red box_"photos etc. To add to my material(numbered as in my case enhanced book) EKD
- 15. archival bag of "Originals of melanoma illustrations...Dawson 6.2.34 "
- 16. Cotchin, E. Neoplasms of domesticated animals with typescript sheets of bibliography
- 17. Beige notebook "Notes(various) on papers (research) [breast lobular cancer]
- 18. Beige envelope "Large sections (breast) photographs + some wash? Drawings
- 19. Beige folder "KIDNEY carcino-sarcoma"
- 20. Clear archival envelope: notes, typescripts and reprints
- 21. Clear archival envelope: Letter "Queensland melanoma project" plus handwritten notes
- 22. Beige envelope marked "Memorabilia" contains poems and drawings ref Burma