

# Edith and Florence Stoney Pioneering sisters in radiology



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Edith and Florence Stoney were sisters whose contributions to radiology during the early decades of the 20th century epitomised a new world of professional and educational opportunities for women.

Florence set up the x-ray service at the Royal Free Hospital, pioneered radiation treatment for goitre, and the use of UV to treat diseases of the skeleton.

Edith is recognised as the first female medical physicist and she taught at the London School of Medicine for Women.

This is the extraordinary story of two talented, brave and resourceful pioneers who, in an age dominated by men, proved that women could be pre-eminent leaders in science.

Admission is free but tickets are required for entry. Please contact Dr Arpan K Banerjee at [arpankb007@gmail.com](mailto:arpankb007@gmail.com) by 14 February.

A retiring collection will be taken with a suggested donation of £5.

*Images - Edith and Florence with their father. (With thanks to the Newnham College Cambridge Archives.)*

*X-ray by Florence showing splintered femur with shrapnel. From 'Florence A Stoney. The Women's Imperial Service League Hospital. Archives of the Roentgen Ray 19(11) April 1915. 388-393.'*