

Gray's medical work called world-changing

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British anesthesiologist Thomas Cecil Gray, who left behind the legacy of his revolutionary "Liverpool Technique," has died at age 94.

Gray died Jan. 21 at his home, the Liverpool Echo reported.

Gray's innovative use of a muscle relaxer acquired from the South American poison curare drastically changed the world's anesthesiology practices, The Independent reported Saturday.

Gray proved the increased dosage of such muscle relaxers to patients in surgery would prevent anesthetists from having to use large amounts of potentially dangerous deep-sleep aids.

Patients reportedly were able to regain consciousness more quickly and comfortably with Gray's revolutionary "Liverpool Technique." It took more than 10 years of research before most anesthetists began to accept the controversial new method.

Gray's dedication to improving anesthesiology techniques and commitment to higher education at Liverpool University attracted students from around the world to his teachings.

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