

**The Lunn Lecture honors the work of one of the first orthoptists in Canada, a leader and motivator who was instrumental during the infancy of orthoptics in Canada. It is often said that ocular motility examination is influenced by thought processes that “haven’t changed in a million years”. Orthoptists have contributed to the shift from opinion based recommendations to evidence based practice, “challenging what we were taught” and bringing about change to improve outcomes.**

**Measurements in all positions of gaze are important markers for the diagnosis and management of strabismus. These are standardly performed for distance fixation, purportedly to eliminate the influence of accommodation. It is often impossible to use a distance fixation target if you have difficulty getting the patient to maintain attention, or if the exam space is less than 20 feet long such as at the bedside or in remote clinics. The lecturer will present the results of a pilot study of the comparison of near vs distance fixation in the diagnostic positions of gaze to determine whether near fixation is an acceptable modification when distance fixation is not practical.**