

Happy Birthday McCrone Research Institute, Happy Birthday to You!

This year, 2025 marks the 65th anniversary of the McCrone Research Institute, nearly 90 years of *The Microscope* (now in its 88th year of production) and 77 years of the annual Inter/Micro meetings and conference.

On this momentous occasion, we remember and recognize the four pillars of the organization with beginnings that extend back into the early 20th century: Microscopy Publishing since the 1930s; Applied Microscopy Research since the 1940s; Microscopy Meetings and Conferences since the 1940s; and formal Microscopy Education since the 1950s. The mission has been clear and unchanged since its official incorporation by its founders and charter members, Dr. Walter C. McCrone and Mrs. Lucy B. McCrone:



Today, as ever, McCrone Research Institute is recognized internationally as a center of excellence for microscopy, not only for microanalytical research, but also for microscopy education and publishing on all topics related to the microscope, by the microscopist, and for the microscopist.

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