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AJR plaque to honour Sir Hans Krebs

The Association of Jewish Refugees (AJR) is delighted to announce that a special commemorative plaque will be unveiled on Monday 20 May at the Department of Biochemistry, part of the University of Oxford, to honour the life and work of Sir Hans Krebs.

Sir Hans was already an established physician and biochemist but was barred from practising medicine under the Nazis and fled to Britain in 1933. He was awarded the Nobel Prize for Physiology in 1953 for his work discovering the Krebs cycle and was knighted in 1958.

In 1965 Sir Hans had the honour of handing over to Lord Robbins, President of the British Academy, the proceeds of the Thank-You Britain Fund, an endowment collected by the refugees in gratitude to their adopted homeland.

Through the plaque scheme, the AJR is establishing permanent memorials to some of the most prominent Jewish émigrés who fled Nazi oppression and found refuge in Britain as well as places and buildings with a strong connection to the refugees.

Frank Harding, a Director of the AJR, said: "It is most appropriate that the life and contribution of Sir Hans is commemorated on the inaugural AJR plaque. His work has had an enormous and lasting impact on civil society. These commemorative plaques will help form a tangible link between the illustrious earlier inhabitants and the local community as well as fascinating residents and visitors. As well as being instructive and informative, they bring the past into the present, and they perpetuate the memory of the person being honoured."

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Notes on the AJR for Editors:

The AJR is the leading national charitable organisation exclusively delivering social and welfare services, including financial assistance, to Jewish victims of Nazi oppression living in Great Britain.

The AJR supports Holocaust education and research projects and initiatives to commemorate the Holocaust.

The AJR has produced the ground-breaking audio-visual testimony archive, *Refugee Voices*. This collection of 150 filmed interviews creates a legacy of the experiences of the refugees and will advance and enhance Holocaust research for future generations. *Refugee Voices* enables Holocaust researchers and scholars to watch up to 450 hours of film and read fully edited and transcribed accounts. For the first time, researchers will also be assisted by time-codes that, together with a summary sheet and key words section, direct users to specific sections of the films. Details of Refugee Voices are at www.refugeevoices.co.uk

The AJR is part of the UK delegation to the [International Holocaust Remembrance Alliance \(IHRA\)](#), which brings together governments and non-governmental organisations to raise awareness of the Holocaust and places political and social leaders' support behind the need for Holocaust education, remembrance, and research both nationally and internationally.