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In W. O's relation to the 3rd element in the blood and his possible claim of discovery, he reported on February 17, 1882, before the Medico-Chirurgical Society, Montreal, on

"Bizzozero's New (?) Blood Element and its relation to Thrombus formation.

DR.Osler remarked that these were the little bodies recently described by Prof. Bizzozero of Turin as a new blood element, but they had, in reality, long been known, having been described by Schultze in 1861. They occur in the drawn blood in the form of granular clumps, but he (Dr. O.) had shown, in a communication to the Royal Society in 1874, that in the circulatory blood the individual elements of the masses were isolated, and in the form of small discoids. An engraving was passed round illustrating them, as seen in a subcutaneous vessel of the young rat, which was the most favourable animal for the study of these bodies. In the case under consideration, these elements had apparently collected on an extensive area of atheroma, and had either multiplied there or the mass had been formed by their gradual accretion."