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2 Americans get Nobel Prize in Medicine

STOCKHOLM, Oct 8 (AP):

Americans Joseph E. Murray and E. Donnall Thomas won the Nobel Prize in medicine on Monday, for their discoveries concerning organ and cell transplantation in the treatment of human disease.

Murray, 71, discovered how to solve the problem of tissue rejection when organs are transplanted in man, and Thomas, 70, managed to diminish the severe reaction that grafts can cause in recipients, said the Nobel Assembly of the Karolinska Institute, which awarded the prize.

The prize, worth 695,000 US dollars (4 million Swedish kronor), is endowed by the will of dynamite-inventor Alfred Nobel, who died in 1901.