

Ch-Ch-Changes in the History of Science, Medicine and Technology

HSMT Postgraduate Conference 2019

Lecture Theatre, Faculty of History, George Street, Oxford

Thursday, 20 June SIDE A

09:30-09:50 **Registration**

09:50-10:00 **Opening Remarks: Rob Iliffe**, *Professor of the History of Science, Oxford*

10:00-11:10 **It's A Wonderful World by Louis Armstrong**

Session One: Perspectives on Ecology and Environment

Alexandra Houston, Revisiting the environmental history of malaria in England from 1600-1750

Lina Weiss, Magic leaves and white gold - the public image of coca and cocaine in nineteenth-century Britain

Dilshad Teemul, On the anthropomorphisation of British biological research, up until the 1800s

Chair: Ethan Friederich

11:10-11:30 **Tea/Coffee**

11:30-12:40 **Fever by Peggy Lee**

Session Two: Infectious Disease in the Colonial World

Angeliki Myrillas-Brazeau, A global history of smallpox: symptoms of colonial expansion

Ethan Friederich, History of malaria in Assam, 1878–1947: exploring historical epidemiology, public health, medical practice, and the greater social context

David Gawkrödger, Inequalities of health between the European and native armies in British India, 1860–1940

Chair: Shelley Castle

12:40-13:45 **Lunch**

13:45-15:00 **Boulevard of Broken Dreams by Green Day**

Session Three: Darker Themes in the History of Medicine

Samuel Weber, Mengele's metastasis: shadows of Nazi experimentation in post-war United States healthcare

Tizane Navea-Rogers, "Race at home": anthropometric photography and racial typing in Britain, c. 1870-1910

JeeHae Kang, Victorian and Edwardian suicides: toward a good death

Chair: Alexandra Houston

15:00-15:20 **Tea/Coffee**

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- 15:20-16:40 **9 to 5 by Dolly Parton**
Session Four: Changes in Medical Professionalism, Industry, and Warfare
- Dianne Mc Mullin**, Lifting a profession: physical ergonomics in the United States
- Shelley Castle**, Astonishment and confusion - the immediate medical response to chemical warfare during the First World War
- Jasmine Brown**, Race and gender: roadblocks to the medical profession in the United States 1918-2018
- Chair: Samuel Weber*
- 16:40-16:50 **Closing Remarks: Roderick Bailey**, *Research Associate in the History of Medicine*

Friday, 21 June SIDE B

- 10:00-10:10 **Opening Remarks: John Lidwell-Durnin**, *Departmental Lecturer in the History of Science*
- 10:10-11:20 **Mr Roboto by Styx**
Session Five: Trains, Brains and Artificial Intelligence
- Yannik Herbert**, Time and punctuality on early British transport networks
- Matthew Jordan**, Building brains and building minds: the connectionism/computationalism debate, 1956-1988
- Aaron Gluck-Thaler**, The criminal in pieces: a history of vision, visualization, and pattern recognition in United States policing, 1945-1979
- Chair: Dianne Mc Mullin*
- 11:20-11:40 **Tea/Coffee**
- 11:40-12:50 **What A Man by Linda Lyndell**
Session Six: Biographical Histories in Science and Medicine
- Dan Petrescu**, Victor Babeş and the “Romanian Method” of rabies vaccination
- Julian Waddell**, Curiosities in the academy: Leibniz and the public interest of science
- Vincent Roy-Di Piazza**, Having “the Sign” and speaking with the dead: sources of knowledge and truth in the writings of Emanuel Swedenborg (1688-1772)
- 12:50-13:00 **Closing Remarks: Sloan Mahone**, *Associate Professor of the History of Medicine*