

## **Medical Practice in Early Modern Britain in Comparative Perspective**

XFi Building, Streatham Campus, University of Exeter  
4 – 6 September 2017

### Monday 4<sup>th</sup> September

#### **1200–1300 Registration and Lunch**

#### **1300–1400 Introductory Session**

The Medical World of Early Modern England, Wales and Ireland, c.1500-c.1715  
*Jonathan Barry (University of Exeter) and Peter Elmer (University of Exeter)*

#### **1400–1500 Plenary**

‘Explaining Patterns of Demand and Supply in Medical Practice in England, Wales and Ireland, 1500-1715: A Question of Trust?’  
*Jonathan Barry, Professor of Early Modern History, University of Exeter*

#### **1500–1600 Session 1: The Medical World of Early Modern Wales and Ireland**

‘Seeking Medical Practitioners in Early Modern Wales’  
*Alun Withey, Lecturer, Centre for Medical History, University of Exeter*

‘Medical Practitioners in Early Modern Ireland: Research Problems and Opportunities’  
*John Cunningham, Lecturer in Early Modern Irish and British History, Queen’s University of Belfast*

#### **1600–1630 Afternoon tea and coffee**

#### **1630–1730 Session 2: Knowledge and Medicine**

‘Medieval Welsh Medicine in the Early Modern Period: Problems with Plant Names’  
*Diana Luft, Research Fellow, Centre for Advanced Welsh and Celtic Studies, University of Wales*

‘Medical Education in Manchester, 1700-1850’  
*Alice Marples, Research Associate, John Rylands Institute, University of Manchester*

## **1730–1830 Plenary**

‘Learned Medical Practitioners in Sixteenth- and Early Seventeenth-Century Germany’

*Michael Stolberg, Chair of the Institut für Geschichte der Medizin, University of Würzburg*

## **1930 Evening Meal (Reed Hall)**

### **Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> September**

## **0900–1000 Plenary**

‘The Casebooks Project: A Digital Edition of Simon Forman’s and Richard Napier’s Medical Records, 1596-1634’

*Lauren Kassell, Senior Lecturer, Pembroke College, Cambridge*

## **1000–1100 Session 3: Health and Place in Early Modern Europe: the Spa and the University**

‘Practising Medicine at the Early Modern Spa’

*Amanda Herbert, Assistant Director, Folger Shakespeare Library, Washington DC*

‘The University in Mid-Seventeenth-Century England as a Site of Medical Innovation’

*Peter Elmer, Senior Research Fellow, Centre for Medical History, University of Exeter*

## **1100–1130 Morning tea and coffee**

## **1130–1300 Session 4: Alternative Approaches to Therapy: The Surgeon Physician and Astrologer**

‘“I am a Practiser, not an Academick”: the Case Histories of Richard Wiseman’

*Michelle Webb, Postgraduate Research Student, University of Exeter*

‘“The Real Physician Does Handle This Case Quite Differently”: the Medical Practice of Johannes Magirus (1615-1697)’

*Sabine Schlegelmilch, Assistant Professor, Institut für Geschichte der Medizin, University of Würzburg*

‘“The Judgement of Physick by Astrology”: Interrogating Practices, Practitioners and Public Persona, c.1580-1700

*Barbara Dunn, Postgraduate Research Student, University of Exeter*

**1300–1400 Lunch**

**1400–1530 Session 5: Childbirth**

‘An Approved Medicine for a Woman in Labour to Make, Come and Prove Safe Deliverance’: Books of Secrets and Recipes’

*Julia Martins, Postgraduate Research Student, Warburg Institute, University of London*

Midwives and Matrons: Childbirth in Eighteenth-Century Wales’

*Angela Muir, Postgraduate Research Student, University of Exeter*

‘You May Safely Say That She Goeth With two Children’: Authorial Ideals Versus Practitioners’ Realities of Early Modern Twin Births’

*Louise Powell, Postgraduate Research Student, Sheffield Hallam University*

**1530–1600 Afternoon tea and coffee**

**1600–1700 Plenary**

‘Practising Surgery in Imperial Towns and Cities’

*Annemarie Kinzelbach, Institut für Geschichte der Medizin, University of Ulm*

**Evening trip to Exeter Cathedral, followed by the conference evening meal at Côte Restaurant (Cathedral Green) at 1930**

**Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> September**

**0900–1000 Session 6: Fighting Plague in Seventeenth and Eighteenth Century Europe**

‘Plague-Fighting Policies in the Mediterranean: Marseille in the Seventeenth and Eighteenth Centuries’

*Jamel El Hadj, Centre Norbert Elias, Marseille*

‘Ready-made Remedies and Purchased Panaceas: Chemistry and the Use of Proprietary Nostrums During the Plague of 1665’

*Lara Thorpe, Postgraduate Research Student, Royal Holloway, University of London*

## **1000–1100 Session 7: Military Medicine**

'Welfare, Conflict and Memory During and After the English Civil Wars, 1642-1700'

*Mark Stoye, Professor of Early Modern History, University of Southampton*

'Frontline Medicine During the English Civil Wars'

*Ismini Pells, Research Fellow, Centre for English Local History, University of Leicester*

## **1100–1130 Morning tea and coffee**

## **1130–1230 Session 8: Fringe Practitioners: Animal Healers and Searchers**

'Farriers and Other Early Modern English Animal Healers'

*Louise Curth, Professor of Medical History, University of Winchester*

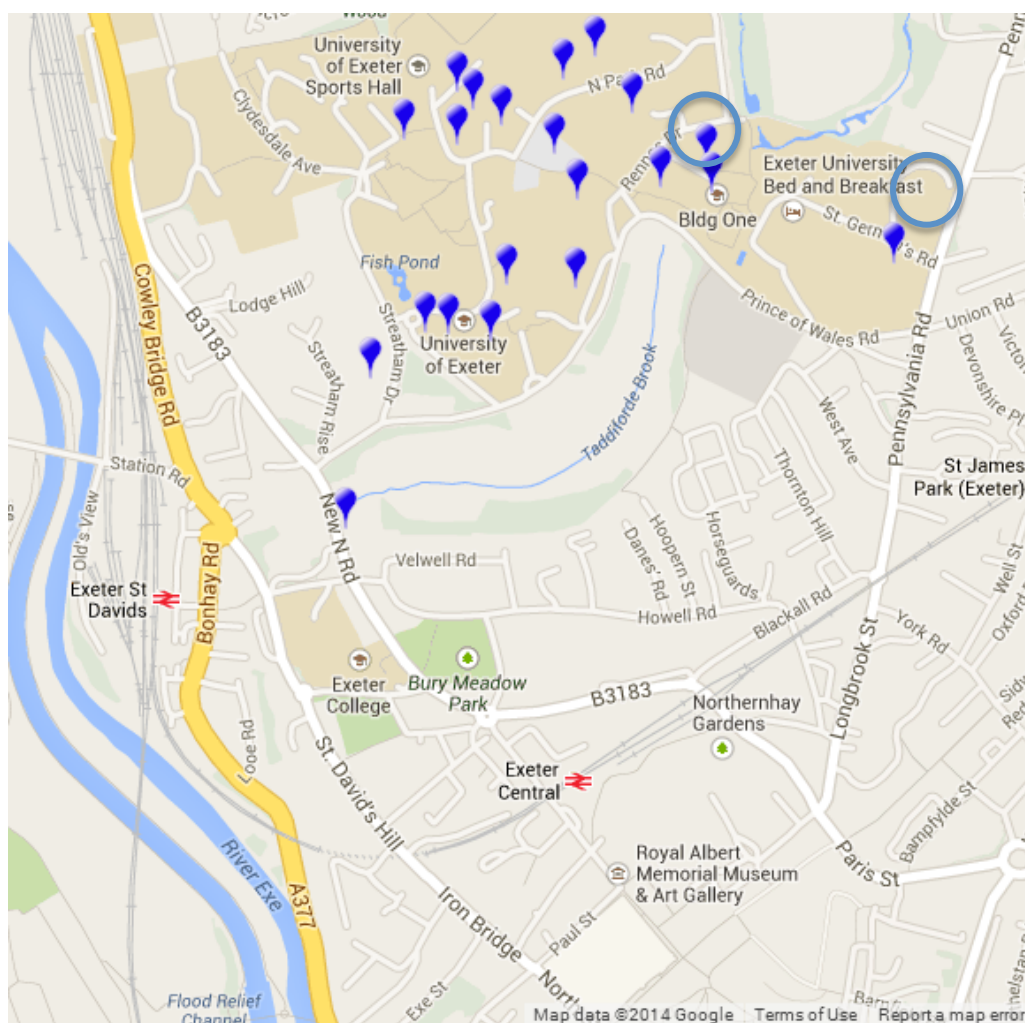
'The Women Who Examined, Counted and Buried the Dead in Early Modern England'

*Wanda Henry, Visiting Assistant Professor, Brown University, Providence, RI*

## **1230–1300 Round Table and closing comments**

## **1300 Lunch and Departure**

All plenaries and sessions will take place in Conference Room 1 and 2, XFi Building, on the University of Exeter's main Streatham campus (off Rennes Drive, and circled on the map). Refreshments will be served in the adjoining XFi Atrium Café. Overnight bed and breakfast accommodation is available at Pennsylvania Court, (also on the main campus, off St German's Road and again circled on the map). The campus is around fifteen to twenty minutes' walk from Exeter St David's or Exeter Central railway stations, and the city centre.



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