

15.45 *La mayson pour distiller des eaües at El Escorial:
Chemical Medicine in Philip II's Court (1585-1603)*

Dr Mar Rey Bueno (Madrid)

16.15 *Madrid Hospitals and Welfare in the Context of the
Hapsburg Empire, 1561-1700*

Dr Teresa Huguet-Termes (CEHIC-Universitat Autònoma de
Barcelona)

Chair: Professor Harold Cook (Wellcome Trust Centre)

16.45 General Discussion

**28-30 June 2006, Call for Papers: Society for the Social
History of Medicine's Annual Meeting "Practices and
Representations of Health: Historical Perspectives"**

The Society for the Social History of Medicine invites submissions for its 2006 Annual Conference, *Practices and Representations of Health: Historical Perspectives*, to be held at the University of Warwick on 28-30 June 2006, organised jointly by the Centres for the History of Medicine at the Universities of Birmingham and Warwick.

Keynote speakers include: Susan E. Lederer (Yale University), Geoffrey Lloyd (Cambridge), Charles E. Rosenberg (Harvard University). The Programme Committee welcome offers of papers on a wide range of topics that link to the theme of the conference, but particularly encourage papers on the following themes: alternative and complementary health movements; airs, waters and places; medicine and emotions; theatre, music and medicine; child health; old age and death; body shape and image; disability; race, post-colonialism and health; health and the workplace; the historiography of the history of medicine. In addition to single-paper proposals, the Programme Committee seeks proposals for panel sessions. All papers should ideally present original work not yet published or in press.

Abstracts to Molly Rogers at: molly.rogers@warwick.ac.uk. If you are unable to submit electronically, please send eight copies of your abstract to: Molly Rogers, Centre for the History of Medicine,

University of Warwick Coventry CV4 7AL, United Kingdom. Abstracts should be limited to one page and must include your mailing and email addresses, telephone number, and affiliation.

Programme Committee: Robert Arnott (University of Birmingham), Sarah Hodges (University of Warwick), Colin Jones (University of Warwick), Hilary Marland (University of Warwick), Jonathan Reinartz (University of Birmingham).

September, 21-23 2006, University of Western Australia, Perth, “*Humanism and Medicine in the Early Modern Era*”

The symposium will explore the complex, and sometimes troubled, relationship between humanism and medicine from the fourteenth through eighteenth centuries. The father of humanism, Francesco Petrarca, famously attacked the medical profession in *Against the Doctors* (1352). Humanism spoke a new language – theoretically a natural, classical Latin, as opposed to the ‘barbaric’ scholastic idiom of the philosophers and the Galenist gobbledygook of the doctors. But the cultures of humanism and medicine inevitably enriched one another: doctors and humanists shared a professional interest in the ancient texts (from Dioscorides to Lucretius), and a vested interest in preserving Latin as a professional argot. Humanism had its own healing pretensions through poetry and moral philosophy. In the sixteenth and seventeenth centuries, doctor and humanist sometimes co-existed in the same person such as Girolamo Fracastoro, Girolamo Cardano, Julius Caesar Scaliger, François Rabelais, and Pierre Petit.

Keynote speakers: Ian Maclean (Oxford) and Vivian Nutton (London).

The Congress has been organized by the Institute of Advanced Studies University of Western Australia, Perth (Sponsored by the Cassamarca Foundation and the Australian Research Council Network for Early European Research). For further informations please contact Prof. Yasmin Haskell and Dr Susan Broomhall.

August, 21-22, 2006 Reading (UK), University of Reading, “*Approaches to Ancient Medicine*”

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Following the successful seminars held at the University of Newcastle and the University of Reading, the Classics Department at the University of Reading will be hosting a further two day event on “Approaches to Ancient Medicine” on 21-22 August, 2006. We aim to bring together scholars approaching ancient medicine from a variety of perspectives including medicine, medical history, philosophy, history of science, classical philology, ancient history, archaeology and social anthropology. The seminar is supported by the Wellcome Trust and the University of Reading. The total package cost for attending the seminar is: £90.00 package – ensuite room: This includes one night’s bed and breakfast accommodation in Whiteknights hall of residence, dinner on 21 August, lunch on both days, refreshments and a conference fee. £70.00 package – standard room: this includes one night’s bed and breakfast accommodation in Whiteknights hall of residence, dinner on 21 August, lunch on both days, refreshments and a conference fee. There is also the option to stay an additional night at the B&B rate of: £48.00 – Ensuite room £36.00 – Standard room Conference Fee only: The conference fee for those not requiring accommodation is: £30.00* both days £15.00* one day *This includes coffee and lunch Contact details (please mark the envelope “Ancient Medicine Seminar”) are: Ms. Nina Leontieff Tel: 01183788143 School Administrator Fax: 01183788919 School of Humanities Email: n.leontieff@reading.ac.uk Faculty of Arts and Humanities Whiteknights PO Box 218 Reading RG6 6AA. Confirmation of your booking requirements will be sent out 14 days prior to the event taking place.

Scientific program: Rosalind Park (Bath Spa), ‘*Gout in ancient*

Egypt'; Hynek Bartos (Prague), '*Into man there enters a soul: Hippocratic De victu I. 7.2-4 in context*'; Ralph Rosen (Pennsylvania), '*Writing, authorship and bookburning in the Hippocratic Vitae*'; Alisdair Gibson (St Andrews), '*Galen and the rhetor: the physiology and therapy of broken speech*'; Glen Cooper (Brigham Young), '*Galen battles the sceptics: nature and medicine in the De diebus decretoriis*'; Todd Curtis (Newcastle), '*Shaping a legacy: genre, rhetoric and craft in Galen's De libriis propriis and De ordine librorum suorum*'; Caroline Petit (Exeter) '*Why write on the properties of simple drugs? Galen against the pharmacological tradition*'; Roberto Alessi (Poitiers) '*Strata of earlier commentaries in Galen: some examples from the commentary of Epidemics 2*'; Laurence Totelin (Cambridge) '*Galen's use of multiple manuscript copies in his pharmacological treatises*'; Maithe Hulskamp (Newcastle), '*A question of sleep*'; Sarah Francis (Newcastle), '*Under the influence*': *the physiology of Aristotle's akratês*'; Raffaele Passarella (Milano), '*Medicine in St Ambrose' Coffee Patient experience*'; Brooke Holmes (Chapel Hill), '*Seeing, saying, seeming: patient experience and medical knowledge in the Hippocratic corpus*'; Hans L. Haak and Manfred Horstmannshoff (Leiden), '*Teaching history-taking in Rufus's Medical Questions*'; Nicholas A.E. Kalospyros (Athens) '*Hippocrates repurgatus: Ad. Coray approaching Hippocratic medicine*'; In-sok Yeo (Seoul), '*Airs Waters Places and the public health movement in the nineteenth century*'.

August, 26-30 2006, Budapest, 40th Congress of the International Society for the History of Medicine (ISHM)

The Hungarian Academy of Sciences and the Hungarian Society for History of Medicine host and organize this prestigious meeting in Hungary, for the first time as member of the European Union.

The scientific program will cover a wide range of topics, among them the history of medical education and the history of medical schools (History of medical education and medical schools; History of education of pharmacy at medical universities; History

of social medicine; Influence of Hungary and of Central Europe upon the development of medicine; Varia)

Pavia, 19-22 Settembre 2006, Congresso della Società Italiana di Storia della Medicina “In onore di Camillo Golgi a 100 anni dal conferimento del premio Nobel”.

La ricorrenza del centenario del conferimento del premio Nobel per la medicina a uno scienziato italiano, Camillo Golgi (1906), costituisce uno degli appuntamenti celebrativi e di studio più importanti della cultura scientifica nazionale. In occasione del centenario del conferimento del Premio Nobel a Golgi, la Società Italiana di Storia della Medicina organizza il suo Convegno. Programma scientifico, modalità di invio di abstracts per la partecipazione ed informazioni generali sono reperibili sul sito dell'Università di Pavia, all'indirizzo www.unipv.it/golgi/storia, oppure contattando il Professor Paolo Mazzarello, paolo.mazzarello@unipv.it.

2-4 November, 2006, Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi CFP: Health and Medicine in History: East-West Exchange

The conference proposes to understand the significance of issues related to health and medicine in Asia with emphasis on the exchange of medical ideas, techniques and tools between Asia and Europe. Different civilizations and cultures in Asia have very advanced medical traditions, as has been the case in Europe. How did they interact? What were the contours of this interaction, its limitations and impact? How can one account for the waxing and waning of oriental romance and appreciation, of derision and contempt unleashed during the long-drawn cultural encounter and exchange? What are the methodological perils of narrativizing such shifts and turns? The focus can be on exchange not only in terms of Asia and Europe but also within Asia and different cultural zones constituting a particular region. The period covers the distant past to contemporary times. Scholars are invited to present their papers under the rubric outlined above. The following are suggested as guidelines: Medical

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Traditions and Practices in Different Cultural Zones; Comparative Study of Medical Ideas and Institutions; Medical Education and Research; Perceptions of Epidemics and Disease Health and Population Discourse; Sanitation and Healthcare; Medical Technology - Tools and Techniques; Pharmacology and Drug Development; Mental Health and Sickness; Medical Ethics

Conference Venue : Committee Room, School of Social Sciences, Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi-110067. Hard copies and electronic versions of the abstracts and later full papers will be required (e-mail: ashm2006@rediffmail.com).

There is no registration fee and full local hospitality will be provided. But ASHM regrets they are unable to arrange for air fares.

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