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Infertility in History, Science and Culture

University of Edinburgh, 3-5 July 2013

Convenors:

Dr. Gayle Davis (University of Edinburgh) & Dr. Tracey Loughran (Cardiff University)

PROGRAMME

WEDNESDAY 3RD JULY

12.00 – 13.15	Registration and coffee
13.15 – 13.30	Welcome to the Conference
13.30 – 15.00	Panel 1: (Un) Reproductive Bodies: Regulating Fertility (Chair: Jennifer Evans)
	Bridget Gurtler (Rutgers University), Gender, Reproductive Science, and the Naming of Artificial Insemination, 1790-1940
	Sarah Toulalan (University of Exeter), 'Women that Be Leane & Slender Do Not Conceaue': Thin Bodies and Infertility in Early Modern England
	Anne Hanley (University of Cambridge), Venereal Infertility and the Infection of Women and Children, c. 1880-1913
15.00 – 15.20	Coffee
15.20 – 16.50	Panel 2: Medicine, Technology and Changing Conceptions of Infertility (Chair: Gayle Davis)
	Ramona Braun (University of Cambridge), Hairy Bodies, Smooth Ovaries and the 'Simple Cut': Androgen Excess in the Eyes and Hands of Laparoscopic Surgeons in the 1960s
	Liberty Barnes (University of Cambridge), Harnessing Power and Maintaining Control: Infertile Men's Use of Medical Technologies
	Daniela Cutas (Maastricht University), Infertility in the Future: No More?
17.00 – 19.00	Wine Reception
19.00	Informal Dinner, Spoon, Nicolson Street

THURSDAY 4THJULY

8.30 – 9.00	Day 2 Registration
9.00 – 10.30	Panel 3: The Body Politic: Infertility and the State (Chair: TBC)
	Penny Roberts (University of Warwick), Sterility and Sovereignty: the Succession Crisis of the Late Valois Monarchy Antje Kampf (Universitätsmedizin der Johannes Gutenberg-Universität Mainz), "Urogenital Borderlands": Male Infertility and Medicine in Two Germanys Fran Bigman (University of Cambridge), The Authority's Anti-Breeding Campaign: State-imposed Infertility in
10.20 10.50	Contemporary Speculative Fiction Coffee
10.30 – 10.50 10.50 – 12.50	Panel 4: Concepts of Blame and Responsibility in Discourses on Infertility (Chair: Sarah Toulalan)
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	Rebecca Fallas (Open University), No Fault Infertility? The Relationship Between Infertility and Blame in the Ancient Medical Texts
	Cristina Santos Pinheiro (University of Madeira/ University of Lisboa), The Ancient Medical Texts in the Chapters About Infertility of Rodrigo de Castro's De Universa Mulierum Medicina
	Catherine Rider (University of Exeter), Responses to Infertility in Late Medieval England
	Marisa Benoit (University of Oxford), To Pity, Revile, or Ridicule?: Popular Stereotypes of Infertility in Early Modern England and Colonial New England
12.50 – 13.30	Lunch
13.30 – 15.00	Panel 5: Reproducing the Nation: Gender, Family and Fertility (Chair: Duncan Wilson)
	Daphna Oren-Magidor (Hebrew University of Jerusalem), "To Have a Jolly Child of Mine Owne Body Borne": The Significance of Infertility in Early Modern England
	Christina Benninghaus (University of Cambridge), Making it Happen – Diagnosing and Treating Infertility in Weimar Germany
	Hayley Andrew (York University, Toronto), 'Phantom Fathers' and 'Test Tube Babies': Reproductive Technologies in the British Media, c.1950-1960
15.00 – 15.20	Coffee

15.20 – 16.50	Panel 6: Contexts of Infertility: Individuals and Families (Chair: Tracey Loughran)
	Lisa Smith (University of Saskatchewan), The Lived Experience of Infertility in the Eighteenth Century
	Roona Simpson (University of Glasgow), Narratives of Infertility: Case Studies from Quantitative Data
	Sally Bishop Shigley (Weber State University, Utah), Great Expectations: Infertility as Disability in Literature and Life
16.50 – 17.15	Coffee
17.15 – 18.45	Keynote Address: Professor Margaret Marsh (Rutgers University), Infertility and Beyond: Writing the History of
	Reproductive Medicine in the 21st Century
19.30	Pre-Dinner Drinks
20.00	Conference Dinner, St. Trinian's Room, St. Leonard's Hall

FRIDAY 5THJULY

8.30 – 9.00	Day 3 Registration
9.00 – 10.40	Panel 7: Doctor-Patient Relations (Chair: Lisa Smith)
	Jennifer Evans (Society for Renaissance Studies), 'Let the Fume be Received Through a Tunnel': Barrenness and Aromatic
	Treatments in Seventeenth-Century England
	Sophie Vasset (Université Paris-Diderot), Taking the Waters at Barèges (Pyrénées, France): Dr Delpit's Diagnosis of
	Infertility in 1829
10.40 11.00	Sofia Gameiro & Jacky Boivin (Cardiff University), The History of Psychology in Infertility Medicine
10.40 – 11.00	Coffee Coffee
11.00 – 12.20	Panel 8: Demography and Degeneration: Infertility and Population Politics (Chair: Anne Hanley)
	Simon Szreter (University of Cambridge), Venereal Disease and Infertility in Late Victorian and Edwardian England and
	Wales
	Fabrice Cahen (Institut National d'Etudes Démographiques), The Struggle Against Infertility in France, 1920-1980
12.20 - 13.00	Lunch
13.00 – 14.00	Panel 9: Doctors, Patients and Reproductive Rights (Chair: Liberty Barnes)
	Shurlee Swain (Australian Catholic University), 'We Have Not Been Blessed': The Interplay Between Infertility and Adoption
	in Policy and Practice in Twentieth-Century Australia
	Duncan Wilson (University of Manchester), Infertility, In Vitro Fertilization, and 'the Right to Have a Child' in the 1970s
14.00 – 14.20	Coffee
14.20 – 15.50	Panel 10: Infertility, Ageing and Agency (Chair: Elizabeth Toon)
	Jenna Healey (Yale University), The Clock is Ticking: Delayed Pregnancy and the "Epidemic" of Infertility in the United
	States, 1975-1990
	Lucy van de Wiel (University of Amsterdam), Anticipatory Reproduction: Representing Oocyte Cryopreservation
	Imogen Goold (Oxford University), 'Is There Ever a Right Time?' Ethico-Legal Perspectives on the Postponement of

	Childbearing and Access to Artificial Reproductive Technologies
15.50 – 16.00	Break
16.00 – 17.30	Discussion, led by Professor Naomi Pfeffer (SDS, UCL): Stratified Reproduction and Bioavailable Women in a Globalised
	Market for Infertility
17.30 – 18.00	Conference Round-Up