



PROGRAMME

Medicine in the Medieval North Atlantic World

Maynooth University, 13-15 May 2021

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Morning Coffee and Opening Address 09.30

Session 1: 10 – 11.30 Chair: Elizabeth Boyle

Niamh Wycherley and Emer Kavanagh (Maynooth University) The placebo effect in medieval Ireland

Marie Novotná (Charles University, Prague) Old Norse concept of health in the perspective of body-soul relation

Victoria Krivoshchekova (Maynooth University) Early Irish literature and the embodied mind

Online Coffee and Chats 11.30 – 12.00

Keynote 1: 12.00 – 13.00

Debby Banham (University of Cambridge) The beginnings of English medicine: editing the oldest medical compendium from England

Chair: Siobhán Barrett

Online Lunch and Chats 13.00 - 14.00

Session 2: 14.00 – 15.30 Chair: Bernhard Bauer

Eystein Thanisch (Faclair na Gàidhlig, Sabhal Mòr Ostaig, University of the Highlands and Islands) We know things through defining them: Collections of scientific

definitions in Gaelic medical manuscripts from Scotland

Sharon Arbuthnot (University of Cambridge) Medieval Irish medical texts and the vocabulary of sex and reproduction

Joseph Flahive (Royal Irish Academy) Medical vocabulary in early mediaeval Celtic latinity

Online Coffee and Chats 15.30 – 16.00

Session 3: 16.00 – 17.00 Chair: Sarah Baccianti

Matteo Tarsi (University of Trento) Lexical pairs in the old west Norse medical manuscript tradition

Anne Irene Risøy (University of Southern Eastern Norway) Sick maintenance in early medieval Norwegian law

Online Drinks and Chats 17.00-18.00

Morning Online Coffee and Chats 09.30 - 10.00

Keynote 2: 10.00 - 11.00

Guy Geltner (Monash University) Public health and the environment in Galenic practice

Chair: Sarah Baccianti

Online Coffee and Chats 11.00 - 11.30

Session 4: 11.30 – 13.00 Chair: Siobhán Barrett

David Stifter (Maynooth University) The Old Irish healing charms in the Stowe missal and the protective spell in the Karlsruhe book cover

Laura Poggesi (University of Pavia - University of Bergamo) Medical knowledge in two middle English manuscripts: their use and users

Emily Kesling (University of Oslo) Female book production and medical texts in the eighth century

Online Lunch and Chats 13.00 - 14.00

Session 5: 14.00 – 15.30 Chair: Deborah Hayden

Brigid Mayes (Independent Scholar)

The *Materia Medica* of Gaelic physician Tadhg Ó Cuinn (1415): at the interface of theory and practice

Li Parrent (McGill University/Université d'Avignon)

Nordic landscapes as agents of pharmaceutical possibility

Conan Doyle (Independent Scholar) Old English cures from the Ireland of Solinus and Bede

Online Coffee and Chats 15.30 – 16.00

Session 6: 16.00 – 17.30 Chair: Christina Lee

Ranke de Vries (St. Francis Xavier University) Afflictions of the head in the *Acallam na Senórach*

Christine Voth (Independent Scholar) The Veronica and female healing authority in medieval England

Elisa Ramazzina (Queen's University Belfast) "And bathis are goode to be visid in tyme of colde": Therapeutic baths in medieval English medicine

Online Drinks and Chats 17.30-18.30

SATURDAY 15 MAY

Morning Online Coffee and Chats 09.30 - 10.00

Keynote 3: 10.00 – 11.00

Charlotte Roberts (Durham University) Palaeopathology: what can it tell us about the history of disease and medicine?

Chair: Deborah Hayden

Online Coffee and Chats 11.00 - 11.30

Session 7: 11.30 – 13.00 Chair: Guy Geltner

Axel Christophersen (Norwegian University of Science and Technology (NTNU), University Museum, Trondheim, Norway) Were they all pigs? From individual to public health care in medieval Trondheim, Norway

Ole Georg Moseng (University of Southeast Norway) & Erik Opsahl (Norwegian University of Science and Technology (NTNU)) Medieval environmental responsibility

Catrin Fear (University of Nottingham) Poster presentation: The impact of lead on health in medieval Britain: Did they know it was poisonous? Session 8: 14.00 – 15.30 Chair: Elisa Ramazzina

Anna Matheson (Centre d'études supérieures de la Renaissance, Université de Tours) How to Identify Fools: Instructions from a Middle Irish legal commentary

Gwendolyne Knight (Stockholm University) Locating the mind with monsters in early English medicine

Christina Lee (School of English, University of Nottingham) Singing to sanity

Concluding Remarks 15.30 – 16.00