

## OXFORD MEDICAL HUMANITIES WORKSHOP EVIDENCING LIFE AND DEATH IN THE MEDICAL HUMANITIES

**June 20-21 2025**  
**University of Oxford**  
**Faculty of History / George Street**

### **June 20, Friday**

9-9:30 – Coffee and registration

9:30 – Welcome and Introduction – **Erica Charters**

9:40 – 11:00 **Panel 1 – Chair & Discussant: Alberto Guibilini**

**Halina Sukalowska** – *The Role of Art in Confronting Complex Ethical Issues related to Postmortem Procedures and Human Remains in Museums*

**Ed Chan Stroud** – *Evidencing Life and Death: A Theology of the Triduum*

**Eleanor Kerfoot** – *Post-Mortem Change in Eighteenth-Century Medical Literature*

11:00-11:30 – Coffee break

11:30 – 13:00 – **Panel 2 – Chair & Discussant: Lys Alcayna-Stevens**

**Alexandra Boothroyd** – *The Contemporary History and Politics of Tuberculosis Control*

**Zeynep Akçayaka** – *Other's Other: Shaving Brush, Anthrax and Animal Vaccination in Republican Turkey*

**Zeba R. Kokan** – *Cancer Epistemology: Embodied Knowledge on Confronting Living & Dying*

13:00 – 14:30 – Lunch Break

14:30 – 16:00 – **Panel 3 – Chair & Discussant: Sally Frampton**

**Utsa Bose** – *Disposal and Dispossession: Accounting for the dead during the Plague pandemic in Calcutta, 1898-1903*

**Hande Altınay** – *Historicizing "Doubt": The Making of Medical Knowledge in the Nineteenth Century*  
**Yuxin Peng** – *What makes a 'good' number of participants? Health evaluations at the intersection of evidence and expectations*

**Jinxiao Wang** – *An Italian Doctor in Early Twentieth-Century Beijing: Reflections on Sources and Microhistorical Perspective in Medical Humanities*

16:00 – 16:30 – Coffee Break

17:00 – **Keynote Lecture: Nükhet Varlık** – *The Precarious City: New Regimes of Death and Disease in Early Modern Istanbul*

## June 21, Saturday

9:30 – 11:00 – **Panel 4 – Chair & Discussant: TBD**

**Philippa Monk** – *The Art of Diagnosis: Differentiating Treponemal Diseases, 1880s-1930s*

**Irem Yıldız** – *Evidencing Blindness: Infectious Eye and Eyelid Diseases in Late Ottoman Istanbul*

**Jagyoseni Mandal** – *Beyond the Horizons of Life and Death : Tagore's Words and Music in the Making of Colonial Subjectivity*

11:00-11:30 – Coffee Break

11:30-13:00 – Final Discussion Session

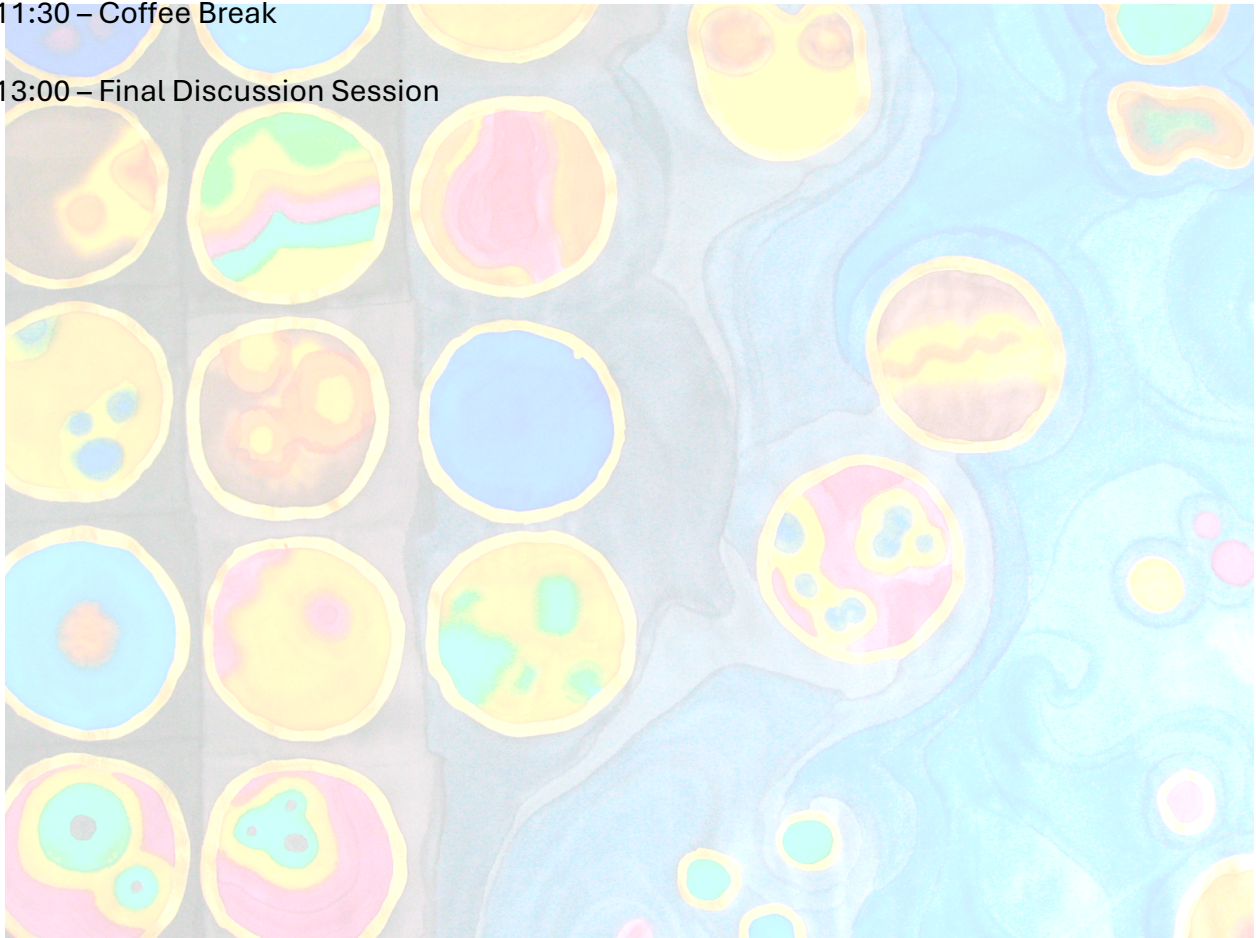


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