

Philosophy of Medicine Roundtable

University of the Basque Country, Donostia - San Sebastian, Spain

Preliminary 2011 program

Wednesday, November 2

8: 45 Welcome to the Roundtable: Jeremy Simon (Columbia) & the local organizers

9:00-10:30 INVITED SPEAKER: Alfredo Morabia (Columbia University)

“Nazism and Public Health: Are they compatible?”

Chair: Miriam Solomon (Temple University)

COFFEE BREAK

11:00-13:00 CONTRIBUTED PAPERS I

Chair: Antonio Casado (UPV/EHU)

- Havi Carel (UWE): Illness as a philosophical category
- James Krueger (U. Redlands): The Explanatory Nature of Disease
- Maël Lemoine (U. Tours): Defining disease beyond conceptual analysis
- Lauren Ross (U. Pittsburgh): Value, Dysmenorrhea and the Definition of Disease

LUNCH

14:30-16:00 CONTRIBUTED PAPERS II

Chair: Jeremy R. Simon (Columbia)

- Jason Robert (Arizona State University): Cultivating clinical wisdom: What? Why? And how?
- Kathryn Tabb (U. Pittsburgh): What Good are Natural Kinds for the Philosopher of Medicine?
- James Hitt (Saginaw Valley State University): Vegetative State as a Postulate of Medical Knowledge

COFFEE BREAK

16:30-18:00 CONTRIBUTED PAPERS III

Chair: Arantza Etxeberria (UPV/EHU)

- Barbara Osimani (Università Cattolica del Sacro Cuore): Risk aversion and the precautionary principle in the pharmaceutical domain: a philosophical enquiry
- Sean Valles (Michigan State University): Narrow Evolutionary Biology and Dubious Clinical Medicine in Evolutionary Medicine
- Marie Darrason (Université Paris 1 Panthéon Sorbonne): Unifying diseases through common genetic mechanisms : the example of the genetic theory of infectious diseases

Thursday, November 3

9:00-10:30 INVITED SPEAKER: Brian Hurwitz (King's College, London)

'Construing Clinical Cases - Some Compositional Challenges'

Chair: Fred Gifford (Michigan State University)

COFFEE BREAK

11:00-13:00 CONTRIBUTED PAPERS IV

Chair: Kirstin Borgerson (Dalhousie University)

- Jeremy Howick (Oxford): Why mechanisms rarely bridge the gap between randomized trials and 'target' populations: a reply to Cartwright
- Elselijn Kingma (King's College, London): EBM: mistaking hierarchies of evidentiary tools for evidence
- Adam La Caze (U. Queensland): Large randomized trials and therapeutic decisions
- Mila Petrova (U. Exeter): (How) Can Philosophical Debates on Variety of Evidence in Medicine Benefit "Health Research Synthesis" Studies?

LUNCH

14:30-16:00 CONTRIBUTED PAPERS V

Chair: Jeremy Howick (Oxford)

- Kirstin Borgerson (Dalhousie University): Shifting the Burden of Justification in Clinical Trial Design
- Daniele Chiffi (University of Padova): In and Out of the Black Box: The 'Inferential Challenge' of Weak Associations
- Cecilia Nardini (University of Milan): Monitoring in Clinical Trials: the Need to Reform

COFFEE BREAK

16:30-18:00 CONTRIBUTED PAPERS VI

Chair: Havi Carel (UWE)

- Stéphanie Van Droogenbroeck (Vrije Universiteit Brussel): A preliminary qualitative analysis of the heuristic "Don't think zebras"
- Miriam Solomon (Temple University): "A Troubled Area": Understanding the controversy over screening mammography for women aged 40-49
- Michael Cournoyea (University of Toronto): Untangling Complexity and Pluralism in Medical Explanations

18:00-19:00 GENERAL DISCUSSION AND CONCLUSIONS

Chair: David Teira (UNED)