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Image: 'Prorace' cervical cap, London, England, 1920-1950.  
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# WELCOME TO THE GAZETTE

Dear readers,

A reminder that thanks to the generosity of the Wellcome Trust, we are offering a series of **Networking Grants**. The closing date for these is this week, 22 April. More info is [available here](#).

We are also excited to provide details of our forthcoming SSHM conference in Swansea on the theme of 'Resilience'. The conference will be taking a hybrid format and we look forward to seeing many of you either in person or online.

The next issue of the *Gazette* will appear in July 2022. Please send any updates to me at [L.e.kelly@strath.ac.uk](mailto:L.e.kelly@strath.ac.uk) by **15 July**. As always, we are happy to receive notices about online events, new resources, and calls for papers related to the history of medicine and medical humanities.

All best wishes,  
Laura Kelly, Editor

## SSHM2022 UPDATE

### SSH2022: 'RESILIENCE'

We are thrilled to announce the postponed Society for the Social History of Medicine conference will take place at **Swansea University, 29 June - 2 July 2022**. The conference theme is 'Resilience'.

This will be a hybrid event with in-person and online sessions and panels.

Wednesday June 29 is for arrivals and registration (no sessions or panels). Sessions and panels start Thursday 30 June and run until midday on Saturday 2 July.

In the coming weeks we will open early registration. The conference webpage and provisional programme will follow soon thereafter.

We hope to keep in-person registration fees at or close to those for the postponed 2020 conference. There will be options for those planning to attend in-person and online. Those planning to attend in-person for the full conference will have the option of full room and board at the Singleton Campus of the university (this is the conference site). Rooms will be in vacated student buildings. Please note that on-campus accommodation is limited and priority will be given to panelists.

Unfortunately, we will not be able to offer single-day room and board. Should you choose not to stay on campus, information on hotels and B&Bs nearby will be provided on the conference webpage.

Links to the registration and conference webpages will be posted on the [SSH2022](#) website, and on pages for the Swansea University [History Department](#) and [Medical Humanities Research Centre](#)

Panelists who had papers accepted in 2020 and who have not confirmed participation in this year's conference are urged to email [michael.bresalier@swansea.ac.uk](mailto:michael.bresalier@swansea.ac.uk) or [sshm2022@swansea.ac.uk](mailto:sshm2022@swansea.ac.uk)

We are looking forward to seeing you in Swansea this summer!

Best wishes

Michael Bresalier for the SSH2022 Local Organising Committee

## ONLINE-ONLY SOCIETY

### MEMBERSHIP

As reported in the January *Gazette*, the Society has been exploring an online-only membership option, for which access to the Social History of Medicine journal will be digital. Thanks to members who responded to a questionnaire overwhelmingly in support of this option. Here are the details of the pricing options for online-only membership which will be available from January 2023. These online-only member rates represent a 20% discount on the 2023 print member rates:

	£	\$	€
Membership + Online-only access	43	86	65
Membership + Developing Countries - Online-only access	21	38	31
Membership + Online-only access - Student Rate	23	46	35
Membership + Online-only access - Unwaged rate	23	46	35
Membership + Online-only access - Senior rate	23	46	35



## SAVE THE DATE: SSHM

### AGM

SOCIETY FOR THE SOCIAL HISTORY OF MEDICINE AGM: 1 JULY 2022 (further details tbc [here](#))

During the AGM, we will be talking about our activities in 2021. The AGM is also the opportunity for SSHM members to provide us with feedback and suggestions. We will also re-elect and nominate members at this meeting - please note that nomination forms must now all be received by email. You can find the nomination form [at this link](#).

### PHD STUDENTSHIP

AN HISTORICAL PERSPECTIVE ON THE NORTH-SOUTH HEALTH DIVIDE AND REGIONAL HEALTH INEQUALITIES – NEWCASTLE UNIVERSITY

Interested in the social history of health, and its relevance to contemporary problems? This PhD project will investigate the historical development, extent, experiences, and representations of regional health inequalities in England, focussing on the north-south divide. Applicants should include a proposal outlining how they would approach this project: you may wish to focus on periods where health inequalities came to the fore (e.g. nineteenth-century sanitary reform era,

characterised by debates about industrialisation and health; the interwar era, when health improvement efforts were undercut by poverty and unemployment, and the early 1980s, when the Black Report drew attention to health inequalities, while deindustrialisation fuelled regional inequalities). Themes which may shape this research include social class, employment and working conditions, gender, and the body. A wide range of qualitative and quantitative sources could potentially be exploited for this research, including medical officer of health reports; archives of medical associations; regional health authority and council archival materials; epidemiological and demographic data; government records; newspapers, oral history re-use; medical journals and publications.

This is an exciting opportunity to complete a PhD while participating in a wider multidisciplinary Wellcome Trust funded project on regional health inequalities and the successful candidate will be expected to contribute to wider project team discussions and publications.

Newcastle hosts a thriving multidisciplinary [medical humanities network](#) encompassing postgraduate researchers, and resources that may be useful for this research, including the [Pybus Collection](#) and the [Donaldson \(Sir Liam\) Archive](#).

For more information, [click here](#). Deadline 20 May 2022.



## TAMARA HARAVEN AWARD IN HISTORICAL DEMOGRAPHY TO VIOLETTA HIONIDOU

[The Tamara Hareven Award](#) was established by the European Society of Historical Demography to recognize the best book published between ESHD Conferences.

At the Society's Fourth Conference in Madrid in March 2022, it was announced that the 2019-2022 award went to Dr Violetta Hionidou (University of Newcastle) for [Abortion and Contraception in Modern Greece, 1830-1967 \(Palgrave 2020\)](#).

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### AWARDS



  
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Violetta Hionidou  
*Abortion and Contraception in Modern Greece, 1830-1967: Medicine, Sexuality and Popular Culture*. London: Palgrave Macmillan, 2020.

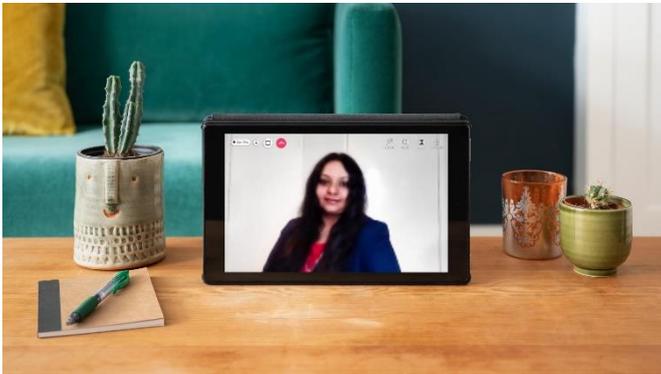


The book explores the reasons why abortion came to play a central role in Greece's fertility decline. Adopting a social history of medicine approach, it brings together popular culture and medical testimony to offer new insights into cultural and medical perspectives on birth control and abortion. Dr Hionidou shows that medical and popular methods used in the pre-decline period to treat sterility, were subsequently repurposed into birth control methods.

**SSHM ONLINE EVENTS**

**WELLCOME COLLECTION EXPLORING RESEARCH SERIES: THE VISUAL REGIME OF MEDICINE IN LATE COLONIAL INDIA, 26 APRIL 2022, 4PM**

Join Dr Apurba Chatterjee to hear about her research looking at medical imagery of malaria in British India between the late 19th and mid-20th centuries.



Dr Chatterjee will explore a decolonising agenda in the medical humanities and will discuss how humanities research and visual culture are important ways to make health-related research more public-facing – especially as disease and debilities lead to fresh socioeconomic, political and cultural challenges.

You’ll learn how Wellcome Collection’s digitisation programme and digital resources can be used to create new methodologies that highlight voices of colonised people who have not been previously heard. You’ll also consider how digitised visual material can open up questions around accessibility and hierarchies, and how these link to our shared colonial pasts.

The talk will reflect upon how digitisation itself can be made more responsive to the voices it helps recover, in order to create equitable knowledge.

This event will be live-streamed on [Wellcome Collection’s YouTube channel](#) and available to watch afterwards. After booking a ticket, you will receive a confirmation email with joining instructions. To book a place at this event, [click here](#).

**PANDEMIC PERSPECTIVES, ONLINE APRIL-MAY 2022**

We are delighted to announce the new Pandemic Perspectives Seminar Series. This series will bring you pioneering voices from across the globe with lectures on diverse topics ranging from the Black Death to the South-Asian experience of COVID-19 to the implications of the pandemic for Posthumanist theory.

For more information [click here](#).



## PANDEMIC PERSPECTIVES SEMINAR SERIES

2022

Tickets on Eventbrite. Click on session titles to register

DATE & TIME	SESSION TITLE	SPEAKER
31 March 18:30 - 20:00	COVID-19 and the Case for a New World History	Frank Uekötter (University of Birmingham)
7 April 08:45 - 10:00	The Disruptive Power of Pandemics in Public Health History: The Case of the Black Death	Guy Galtner (Monash University)
29 April 18:30 - 20:00	The Future is All Before Us: How to Live, Think and Read in the Face of Destiny	Claire Colebrook (Pennsylvania State University)
5 May 18:30 - 20:00	The Pandemic Experience in Indonesia, Malaysia, and Singapore	Melissa Tassin-Gore (University of Edinburgh)
13 May 18:30 - 20:00	Social Inequality and Pandemic Mortality: the Biosocial Context of the 14th-Century Black Death	Sharon DeWitte (University of South Carolina)
27 May 18:30 - 20:00	Title to be Confirmed	Rick Dolphijn (Utrecht University)

https://pandemic.perspectives-uk.com/
@Pandemic\_Persp



## BSHS ENGAGEMENT FELLOWSHIPS

BSHS Engagement Fellowships scheme is run by our [Outreach and Engagement Committee](#) and supports small and local museums, archives, galleries and libraries whose collections connect to themes in the history of science, technology, engineering and medicine. This scheme will fund the placement of Master's or PhD students with heritage organisations and museums for the equivalent of a month's work (timescales can be arranged between the partner museum and student) as an Engagement Fellow and contribute £1000 towards the costs of public engagement outputs related to the research undertaken. Examples could include:

- Updating displays and content
- Blog posts
- Museum trails
- Informal learning sheets
- Events for schools, families or adults

The scheme supports the ambitions of museums and archives to deliver engaging histories and stories to their visitors. This scheme requires the heritage partner to provide training and mentorship for the appointed student during the placement. The student will develop valuable skills and experiences while producing outputs of high research quality.

The scheme is open to museums and heritage organisations based in the UK.

Applications are now open to hosts for the **2022 Engagement Fellowship scheme**. Please download the application form [here](#).

Please direct your completed applications form or any queries you have about the programme to Rosanna

Evans [jh10rfae@leeds.ac.uk](mailto:jh10rfae@leeds.ac.uk) by 23:59, Friday 22 April 2022.



## SSHM BOOK SERIES

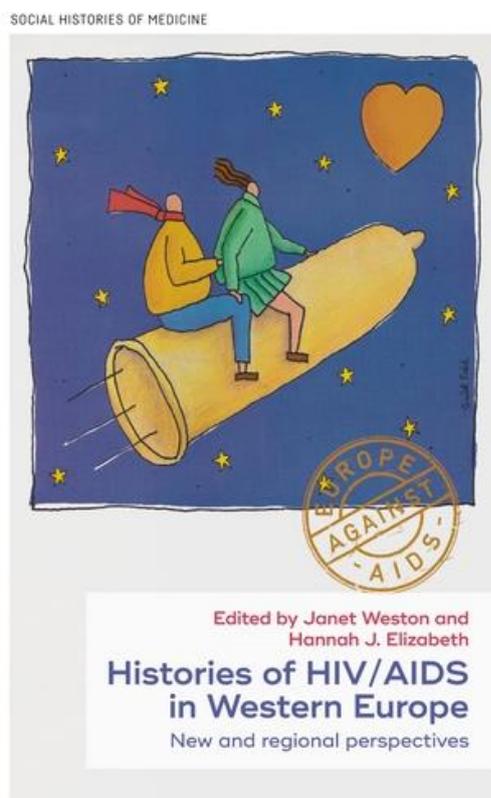
Social Histories of Medicine is concerned with all aspects of health, illness and medicine, from prehistory to the present, in every part of the world. The series covers the circumstances that promote health or illness, the ways in which people experience and explain such conditions, and what, practically, they do about them. Practitioners of all approaches to health and healing come within its scope, as do their ideas, beliefs, and practices, and the social, economic and cultural contexts in which they operate. Methodologically, the series welcomes relevant studies in social, economic, cultural, and intellectual history, as well as approaches derived from other disciplines in the arts, sciences, social sciences and humanities. The series is a collaboration between Manchester University Press and the Society for the Social History of Medicine.

You can find out about the series, about submitting proposals, or to purchase books [here](#).

Below are details of the next forthcoming books in the series.

JANET WESTON AND HANNAH J. ELIZABETH (EDS.), *HISTORIES OF HIV/AIDS IN WESTERN EUROPE: NEW AND REGIONAL PERSPECTIVES*, (FORTHCOMING JULY 2022)

The early 2020s marked the fortieth anniversary of the first confirmed cases of AIDS and a new wave of historical interest in the ongoing epidemic. This edited collection showcases some of this exciting new work, with a particular focus on less well-known histories from western Europe. Featuring research from social, cultural and public historians, sociologists and area studies scholars, its eight chapters address experiences, events and memories across regions and nations including Scotland, Wales, Italy, Norway and the Netherlands, paying careful attention to often-overlooked groups including drug users, sex workers, nurses, mothers and people in prison. Offering new perspectives on the development and implementation of policy, the nature of activism and expertise and which (or whose) histories are remembered, it is essential reading not only for historians of health but also for all those working in HIV/AIDS studies.



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