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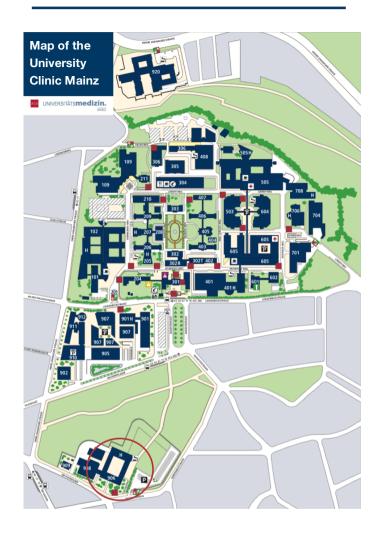
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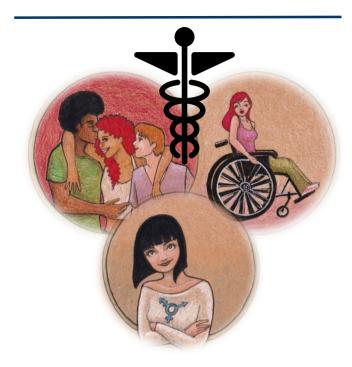
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# Medicine and the Other

The Issue of Difference in Medical Knowledge and Practice of the 19th and 20th Centuries

Mainz, Germany, October 6 - 7, 2016







In cooperation between the Graduate School Life Sciences – Life Writing, the Research Unit Historical Cultural Sciences (Forschungsschwerpunkt Historische Kulturwissenschaften HKW), and the Institute for History, Theory, and Ethics in Medicine at Johannes Gutenberg University, we are delighted to announce an international conference on the historical relationship between medical expertise and people marked as "others".

These "others" were people who, as carriers of certain phenomena, became confronted with medical knowledge, practices, professionals, and/or institutions. The historical transformation of negotiation processes between such groups and medical professionals will be diskussed, asking: What contacts existed between the respective sides, how did they function and develop over time? How did they then contribute to the shaping of identities, medical knowledge, and practice? Which similarities and differences in handling "other" people in medicine can be found between the specific cases? Which conclusions do these findings allow for cultural historiographies of the 19th and 20th centuries? The conference will also be a forum for theoretical and methodological aspects. In this way, the conference aims to contribute to the cultural history of dealing with "diversity". not least in order to enrich current debates about "diversity" and "equality".

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## **Program**

October 6, 2016

9.00 - 9.30: Welcome address

9.30 - 10.00: Introduction

Parallel Worlds and Social Hierarchy – "Others" in the 19 and 20 Centuries – Livia Prüll (Mainz), Ylva Söderfeldt (Berlin)

10.00 - 12.45: Communications from the "Others"

"An Anthropologist from Mars" – Temple Grandin, Oliver Sacks, and Narratives about Autism between Life Sciences and Life Writing– Mita Banerjee (Mainz)

10.45 -11.15: Coffee break

"My Nervousness" – The Autobiographical Case Construction of Otherness Among Peers in Neurasthenia Self-Help Literature around 1900 – Horst Gruner and Wim Peeters (Hagen)

Communication through Body (Re)Presentations: Pro Ana and Fat Acceptance – Boris Traue and Anja Schünzel (Lüneburg)

12.45 - 14.30: Lunch break

14.30 – 16.45: Becoming a patient in the 19 and 20 centuries

Knowing and Being Known: The German Hay Fever
Federation 1897-1968 – Ylva Söderfeldt (Berlin).

"The most important part" – The Narrative of the "Intelligent
Patient" in Diabetes Therapy (1870-1950) – Oliver Falk (Berlin)
Who knows: Patient Expertise in the Internet Era
Kristin Barker (Albuquerque)

19.00: Conference dinner

October 7, 2016

9.30 – 12.15: Medicine and embodied difference in the

Conflicts of Interests? The Otorhinolaryngologist and the Sign-Language- Using Deaf Patient in Historical Perspective – Anja Werner (Halle)

Brain-Uterus Competitions: Renegotiating the Female Body through ,Medical' Metaphors – Anita Wohlmann (Mainz)

11.00-11.30: Coffee break

The Speculum of Wonder Women. The long lasting decolonization of women's bodies in the 1970s and today – Dana Mahr (Geneva)

12.15 - 14.00: Lunch break

14.00 – 16.15: Medicine and social identities in the 19and 20- centuries

Medical and Sexological Approaches to Defining

Homosexuality in the 19- and 20- Centuries – The Role of

Biographical Knowledge – Martin Lücke (Berlin)

Transidentity in the 20- Century – The Life of Roberta Cowell
as a Case study – Livia Prüll (Mainz)

From Virgin Soil Populations to Participatory Health
Research

Per Axelsson and Anna-Lill Drugge (Umeå)

16.15 - ca. 17.00: Final discussion

ca. 17.00: End of conference