

Aims

Questions of age and aging are rapidly shifting to the centre of public as well as academic discourses. Especially recent developments in dementia research and care find increasing attention. However, the socio-cultural factors and theoretical/methodological premises of understanding and conceptualizing this emerging field of research are still open for discussions.

The workshop will include perspectives from neuroscientists, philosophers, ethicists, cultural anthropologists and social scientists. The discussion will focus on recent developments of dementia research, diagnosis and prevention and care in the USA and Germany, also highlighting the role of political players such as patient associations. Sufficient time slots for discussion will be allowed to ensure intensive interdisciplinary exchange and elaborate concrete research topics.

Since the number of participants is limited, we would like to ask you kindly to register in advance.

Organization

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BIOETHICS AND SCIENCES OF AGING

The Case of Dementia

October 5th - 6th 2012

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OCTOBER 5TH 2012

04.00 ARRIVAL & REGISTRATION

04.30-05.00 WELCOME ADDRESS

- ROBERT KNIGHT (UCB, HELEN WILLS NEUROSCIENCE INSTITUTE)/
- CHARIS THOMPSON (UCB, DEPARTMENT OF GENDER AND WOMEN'S STUDIES)
- CORI HAYDEN (UCB, CENTER FOR SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY, AND SOCIETY AND DEPARTMENT OF ANTHROPOLOGY)
- SILKE SCHICKTANZ (UMG, MEDICAL ETHICS AND HISTORY OF MEDICINE)

**05.00-06.00 PUBLIC KEYNOTE LECTURE
STEPHEN POST (SUNY STONY BROOK, CENTER FOR MEDICAL HUMANITIES, PASSIONATE CARE, AND BIOETHICS)**

HOPE, ETHICS AND THE DEEPLY FORGETFUL

OCTOBER 6TH 2012

09.00-09.45 WILLIAM JAGUST (UCB, HELEN WILLS NEUROSCIENCE INSTITUTE)

READY OR NOT: PRECLINICAL DIAGNOSIS OF ALZHEIMER'S DISEASE IS HERE

09.45-10.30 MARGARET LOCK (MCGILL, SOCIAL STUDIES OF MEDICINE)

CHANCE UNTAMED: BIOMARKER UNCERTAINTIES AND THE PREVENTION OF AD

10.30-11.15 JOEL KRAMER (UCSF, MEMORY AND AGING CENTER)

NON-ALZHEIMER DEMENTIAS AND THE CAPACITY TO MAKE INFORMED DECISIONS ABOUT RESEARCH

11.15-12.00 SILKE SCHICKTANZ (UMG, MEDICAL ETHICS AND HISTORY OF MEDICINE)
PARTICIPATING IN DEMENTIA RESEARCH: COMPARING THE USA AND GERMANY

12.00-01.00 LUNCH

01.00-01.45 PATRICK J. FOX (UCSF, INSTITUTE FOR HELATH AND AGING)

SOCIAL CONSEQUENCES OF FORGETFULNESS AND ALZHEIMER'S DISEASE: A CALL FOR ATTITUDINAL EXPANSION

01.45-02.30 SHORT PRESENTATIONS

- MANUEL TRACHSEL (UNIVERSITY OF ZURICH, BIOMEDICAL ETHICS)
COGNITIVE FLUCTUATION AND DECISIONAL RELATIVITY AS CHALLENGE FOR THE ASSESSMENT OF DECISION MAKING CAPACITY IN PATIENTS WITH DEMENTIY
- LINDA JOHANSSON, BRIGITTA SIDENVALL, ANITA BJÖRKLUND, LENNART CHRISTENSSON (JÖNKÖPING UNIVERSITY, SCHOOL OF HEALTH AND WELFARE)
INDEPENDENCY IN THE MEALTIME FOR PERSONS WITH DEMENTIA
- ROBERTO ILLA (CHICO, CA)
COGNITIVE IMPAIRMENT AND DEMENTIA: THE PATHOPHYSIOLOGY OF BRAIN WHITE MATTE LESIONS ON MRI

02.30-03.00 COFFEE BREAK

03.00-03.45 THOMAS LAQUEUR (UCB, DEPARTMENT OF HISTORY)

HISTORICAL REMARKS ON THE SCIENCE OF AGING AND DYING

03.45-04.30 JULIA INTHORN & MARK SCHWEDA (UMG, MEDICAL ETHICS AND HISTORY OF MEDICINE)

CULTURES OF FORGETFULNESS? DEMENTIA IN GERMAN AND ANGLO-AMERICAN MOVIES

04.30-05.00 SHORT PRESENTATIONS

- AAGJE SWINNEN (MAASTRICHT UNIVERSITY, CENTER FOR GENDER AND DIVERSITY)
POETRY PERFORMANCES IN DEMENTIA CARE
- SCOTT D. SELBERG (NEW YORK UNIVERSITY, DEPARTMENT OF MEDIA, CULTURE AND COMMUNICATION)
OUR MODERN SELVES: ALZHEIMER'S AT MOMA

05.00-05.30 FINAL DICUSSIONS & COMMENTS

CHAIR: SILKE SCHICKTANZ (UMG, MEDICAL ETHICS AND HISTORY OF MEDICINE)

05.30-06.30 RECEPTION: DRINKS