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Call for papers

Interdisciplinary Conference on Culture and Medicine 'Changing Organisms: Organisms and Change'

Aberdeen University, 29 June–2 July 1995

Suggestions for papers and information
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The British Society for the History of Medicine 16th Congress of the History of Medicine 23–26 August 1995

The 1995 congress will be held at St Andrews, Fife. The themes are: medicine and the arts; medicine and law; medical ethics; funding of medical care. Papers on individual subjects of members' choice are also most welcome. Papers will be selected by a BSHM

panel and should be of 25 minutes duration, allowing 5 additional minutes for discussion. Those wishing to submit papers should send details by **mid-April** to Dr J S G Blair, The Brae, 143 Glasgow Road, Perth, Scotland, PH2 0LX, UK. An abstract is required.

Second Conference of the European Association for the History of Medicine and Health 'Coping with Health'

San Feliu de Guixols, Spain, 2–7 September 1995

The conference will focus on four sub-themes: (1) *Concepts* (intercultural comparisons of representations of health; coping with chronic and acute diseases; prevention, history of health care); (2) *Agents* (policies and health care systems, aspects of organization, domestic and community health care and self-help networks); (3) *Costs* (quality of health and disease; benefit and

allocation of resources; insurances); (4) *Controversies* (health definitions; health and gender; health and age; salubrity; preventive medicine). Those who wish to attend should write to Dr Josip Hendekovic, European Science Foundation, 1 Quai Lesay-Marnésia, F-67080 Strasbourg Cedex, France (Fax: +33–88243301).

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Conference on 'Medicine and the Colonies'

University of Oxford, 19–21 July 1996

The Society for the Social History of Medicine will be taking 'Medicine and the Colonies, as the subject for its annual

conference in 1996. The conference is designed to bring together historians, anthropologists, sociologists, medical

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practitioners and others interested in discussing the history of western and indigenous medicine in the colonial context. The following themes are given as a guide for submission of papers, but other subjects will also be considered: military medicine and colonial conquest; race and colonial medicine; missionary medicine; indigenous practitioners and colonial rule; the colonial medical profession; alternative and irregular western practitioners in the colonies; nursing in the colonies; colonial hospitals and extra-

institutional care; the history of psychiatry in the colonies; "tropical" and "temperate" medicine the role of international health-care organizations (such as the WHO) in colonies and ex-colonies; Abstracts of papers must be submitted by **31 August 1995**. Inquiries about the conference and requests for booking forms should be sent to Dr Harriet Deacon, The Queen's College, Oxford OX1 4AW, England, Tel: +44-865-279186(w); Fax: +44-865-790819; E-mail: hdeacon@vax.ox.ac.uk.



The John Hughes Bennett Symposium and Lecture Edinburgh, 27 September 1995

1995 marks the 150th anniversary of the first description of leukaemia by the distinguished Edinburgh physician, John Hughes Bennett. To commemorate this event the Leukaemia Research Fund is holding a one day symposium and exhibition on the life and work of Bennett at the Royal College of Physicians, Edinburgh, on Wednesday, 27 September 1995. The symposium will be followed by the inaugural John Hughes

Bennett lecture to be given by Professor Sir David Weatherall, Regius Professor of Medicine, Oxford, entitled 'Suppuration of the Blood: the Biology of Leukaemia Past, Present, and Future'. Registration fee: £20.00, incl. lunch. Full programme and further information available on request from: Scientific Office, Leukaemia Research Fund, 43 Great Ormond Street, London WC1N 3JJ; Tel: 0171 405 0101; Fax: 0171 242 1488.

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Samuel J Zakon Award in the History of Dermatology

Papers are now being called for the seventeenth annual Samuel J Zakon Award in the History of Dermatology. This competition is open to historians and dermatologists in practice or training. Essays may relate to any aspect of the history of dermatology not

heretofore published. Manuscripts should be submitted to John Thorne Crissey, MD, Chairman, Samuel J Zakon Award Committee, 608 Sierra Madre Boulevard, San Marino, CA 91108, USA, by **1 October 1995**.