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# Medical Education in Europe (1350-1750)

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Elisa Andretta, Ole Peter Grell

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21-22 October 2025



## 21 October

- 8.45 *Registration*  
9.15 *Opening Address*

### Keynote Lecture

- 9.30 Medical Education: New Opportunities, Old Problems  
Vivian Nutton  
9.50 Q&A

### TEXTS

#### Session I – Structuring Medical Knowledge in the Middle Ages

- 10.00 The Representation of Medical Knowledge in the Treatises  
of the 14th-Century Physician Thomas of Wroclaw (1297-1378)  
Karoline Szula  
10.15 Medical Teaching in Verona: Magister Antonio Pelacani & the *Ars Medica*  
Francesca Masiero  
10.30 Cancer in Fourteenth-Century Rational Surgery:  
Classification, Terminology, & Medical Authority  
Claudio Zabatta  
10.45 Q&A  
11.00 *Coffee Break*

### Keynote Lecture

- 11.30 Cardano's Critique of Galen's Pedagogy  
Ian Maclean  
11.50 Q&A

#### Session II – Humanist Traditions & Didactic Strategies

- 12.00 Teaching Materia Medica in the 16th Century.  
Mattioli's Rediscovered Annotations on the *Discorsi* (1544)  
Fabrizio Bigotti  
12.15 Bridging Mathematics & Life Sciences:  
The Transmission of Aristotle's *De motu animalium* in the Renaissance  
Nuno Castel-Branco  
12.30 Teaching Medical Theory at the University of Pisa.  
The Case of Estêvão Rodrigues de Castro (1559–1637)  
David Mesquita  
12.45 Q&A  
13.00 *Lunch*

#### Session III – Vernacular & Informal Learning

- 14.30 Ambroise Paré's *Voyages*: A Text for Teaching Surgeons  
Elena Berger  
14.45 The Early Modern Vernacular Remedy Book Seyfer Yerum Moyshe:  
Translating Italian Medical Training into Yiddish  
Daniella Zaidman-Mauer  
15.00 The Didactics of Frederik Ruysch with His Mummies  
Alessio Dore

- 15.15 *The Family Magazine* (1747):  
Women's Informal Medical Education in Domestic Lexicography  
Martina Guzzetti  
15.30 Q&A

### INSTITUTIONS

#### Keynote Lecture

- 15.50 Academic Mobility & Medical Education in Sixteenth-Century Italy & Beyond  
David Lines  
16.10 Q&A  
16.20 *Coffee Break*

#### Session IV – Knowledge Circulation & Communities of Learning

- 16.50 Science on the Move: Montpellier as a Place of Knowledge  
between the 13th & the 17th Centuries  
Genevieve Dumas  
17.05 Beguinages in Flanders as Spaces of Medical Learning & Embodied Knowledge  
Ann Van de Velde  
17.20 From the Faculty Library to Physicians' "Cabinet-Libraries":  
Circulation & Professional Uses of Medical Books in Paris (1733–1751)  
Isabelle Coquillard  
17.35 Q&A  
17.50 Concluding Remarks  
18.00 End of the First Day Sessions  
19.00 *Conference Dinner*

## 22 October

- 8.45 *Opening Session*

### Keynote Lecture

- 9.00 Why Rome? Foreign Students & the Medical Faculty of the Studium Urbis:  
Educational Offerings, Expectations, & Reputation  
Elisa Andretta  
9.20 Q&A

#### Session V – Sites, Curricula, & Graduates

- 9.30 Medical Education in Early Modern Malta: The Case of Giuseppe Demarco  
Jurgen R. Gatt & Skye Vassallo  
9.45 Duties & Privileges:  
Teaching at the Incorporation of Barbers & Surgeons of Edinburgh (1505-1726)  
Cat Irving

- 10.00 Medicine at Minor Papal Universities:  
Training & Practice in the Studium of Fermo (17th & 18th century)  
Fabiola Zurlini  
10.15 Studying Medicine:  
Medical Graduates at the Lullian University of Mallorca (1694–1823)  
Albert Cassanyes Roig  
10.30 Q&A

- 10.50 *Coffee Break*

### Keynote Lecture

- 11.20 A University Reformed:  
Medical Education & Students at the University of Copenhagen, 1570–1648  
Ole Peter Grell  
11.40 Q&A

### PRACTICES

#### Session VI – Beyond Academia

- 11.50 Disseminating Medical Knowledge in Late 17th- & Early 18th-Century Dublin:  
Books, Experiments & Treatments  
Elizabethanne Boran  
12.05 Anatomical Training for Jesuit Artists:  
An Unpublished Textbook from the 1590s & its Canon of Medical Text  
Elisa Spataro  
12.20 The Origins of Balneological Concepts in the Polish-Lithuanian Lands in the 16th-17th  
Centuries & their Bologna-Padua Context  
Slawomir Marchel  
12.35 Educating Midwives in Early Modern Germany: from Texts to Practice  
Stéphanie Chapuis-Després  
12.50 Q&A  
13.10 *Lunch*

### Keynote Lecture

- 14.30 The Material Renaissance of Ancient Surgery.  
Thinking & Teaching with Instruments  
Silvia Maria Marchiori  
14.50 Q&A

#### Session VII – Experimentation & Academic Techniques

- 15.00 Between Theory & Practice: Anatomical Theatres in Universities & Hospitals  
Nicole Falconi & Marie Krüger  
15.15 Tradition, Study, & Medical Practice:  
Lancisi's Pedagogical Project between Doctrine & Clinical Experience  
Daniela Marrone  
15.30 Medical Electricity Arrives in Italy:  
Experimental Practices & Academic Discourse in the mid 18th Century  
Lorenzo Voltolina  
15.45 Q&A  
16.00 Final Remarks