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**PREHISTORIC, ANCIENT AND MEDIEVAL MEDICINE: NEW PERSPECTIVES AND CHALLENGES FOR THE TWENTY-FIRST CENTURY**

First Faculty of Medicine, Charles University, Prague

21st – 23rd September 2022

**general programme:**

**Wednesday, 21st September (main conference hall)**

13:30-14:00 *Opening remarks*

**Session 1: Archaeology of Medicine and Charles University Projects**

Chair: **Hana** **Vymazalová**

14:00-14:30 **Tomas Alusik – Pavla Alusikova Dostalikova**: Asklepieion of Paros Re-Study Project 2018-2022

14:30-15:00 **Lucie Burešová**: The benefits of a closer look: Traceology analysis of the La Tène Period and Roman Age surgical tools found in Central Europe

15:00-15:30 **Rupert** **Breitwieser**: Dealing with epidemics in antiquity: Social reactions and emotions

15:30-15:45 coffee break

15:45-16:15 **Robert** **Arnott**: Disease and healing in Hittite Anatolia: A critical review

16:15-16:45 **Ieva Ancevska**: Healing places in Latvian healing tradition: Throughout history and nowadays

16:45-17:30 Special evening lecture 1 – **Václav** **Smrčka**: Palaeopathological profile of Neolithic Lengyel Culture

17:30-18:00 discussion

Then informal meeting in the pub

**Thursday 22nd September**

Main conference hall:

**Session 2: Prehistoric Aegean, Egyptian and Near Eastern Medicine**

Chair: **Robert Arnott**

8:30-9:00 **Brandelyn Andres**: The maintenance of female sexual and reproductive health in the ancient Aegean

9:00-9:30 **Christofilis Maggidis**:The ‘House of the Idols’ at Mycenae: A Mycenaean shrine of healing and magic (online)

9:30-10:00 **Veronika Sobotková**:Diagnostic system in the medicine of ancient Mesopotamia

10:00-10:30 **Letizia Savino**:New studies on a Mesopotamian prescription against ‘Mountain Fever’

10:30-10:45 coffee break

10:45-11:15 **Electra Apostola – Eirini Skaroglou**: Herbal medicine in ancient Egypt: Skin disorders and treatment

11:15-11:45 **Hana Vymazalová**:Life after the Pyramid Age: Secondary burials at Djedkare's royal cemetery at Saqqara

11:45-12 discussion

Small conference hall:

**Session 3: Medieval Medicine from Interdisciplinary Perspective**

Chair: **Claire** **Burridge**

8:30-9:00 **Efraim Lev**: Arabic medicine and pharmacology as practiced by Jews in Medieval muslim lands (online)

9:00-9:30 **Dimitra Makri – Ilias Nesseris**: The treatment of ophthalmological diseases in the Byzantine world(online)

9:30-10:00 **Matěj Gogola**: New challenges for Slovak historiography of medieval medicine

10:00-10:30 **Antonella Pedergnana – Roger Seiler – Renata Huber – Patrick Eppenberger**: Oral health in early medieval Switzerland: the site of Baar-Früebergstrasse (ZG, Switzerland)

10:30-10:45 coffee break

10:45-11:15 **Joshua T. Schnell**:Medicinal dimensions of marketplace activity among the ancient Maya: A case study from Piedras Negras, Guatemala (online)

11:15-11:45 **Robin Pánek**: Hospitaller care of the Order of St. John in the Holy Land in the Medieval period

11:45-12 discussion

12-13:30 lunch 12-13:30 lunch

Main conference hall:

**Session 4: Medicine in the Graeco-Roman World**

Chair: **Rupert Breitwieser**

13:30-14:00 **Velia Boecker**: Healing places in the ancient world: So-called healing sanctuaries revisited. New perspectives on archaeological sites in Central Italy (4th – 1st cent. BC)

14:00-14:30 **Judit Pásztókai-Szeőke**: Dress to heal? Natural dyes and dye-plants as herbal remedies in the Roman times

14:30-15:00 **Mark Beumer**: From Asklepieion to Kosmidion? Temple sleep: A dynamic ritual in Late Antiquity

15:00-15:30 **Jared J. Eddy**: Nutrition and health in imperial Roman populations with implications for tuberculosis

15:30-15:45 coffee break

15:45-16:15 **Athanasios Sideris**:"You need to visit Antikyra": Healing Classical Madness (online)

16:15-16:45 **Conan** **Doyle**: Temperament and emotion: The physical causes of emotional distress in Late Latin medical theory

16:45-17:30 special evening lecture 2 – **Claire Burridge**: Books and Bodies: Interdisciplinary approaches to studying Early Medieval medicine

17:30-18 discussion

**Friday 23rd September (main conference hall)**

**Session 5: Asklepios and Hippocratic-Galenic Medicine**

Chair: **Milena Melfi**

8:30-9:00 **Ariadne Klonizaki**: The social impact of the cult of Asklepios in Greece (online)

9:00-9:30 **Sascha Boelcke**: Establishing a healing place: New thoughts on Tiber Island

9:30-10:00 **Sylva Fischerová**: An archaeology of temperaments, or from humours to four temperaments

10:00-10:30 **Matyáš Havrda**: Galen’s treatise On Demonstration: Research update

10:30-10:45 coffee break

10:45-11:15 **Kyriakoula Manaridou – Charalambos Dokos**: Life coaching in Graeco-Roman world: The foundations of modern philosophical psychotherapy and counselling

11:15-11:45 **Tomáš Glomb**: Was Asclepius more popular during the Antonine Plague? A quantitative evaluation of Latin inscriptions

11:45-12 discussion

12-13:30 lunch

**Session 6: Medicine of Late Antiquity & Online Session**

Chair: **Tomas Alusik**

13:30-14:00 **Dimitra Makri**: The medicinal uses of myrrh (Σμύρνα) in Late Antiquity (online)

14:00-14:30 **Daniel Vaucher**: The rhetorics of healing: Strategies of persuasion in three Late Antique healing prayers (online)

14:30-15:00 **Vlastimil Drbal**: Pilgrimage to the healing cults in the Near East and Egypt during the Late Antiquity (online)

15:00-15:15 coffee break

15:15-15:45 **Anagnostis P. Agelarakis**: Shanidar Cave in Iraqi Kurdistan: A sanctuary for medical treatment and healing for the injured and ailing members of its Neanderthal and Proto-Neolithic Homo Sapiens occupants (online)

15:45-16:15 **Jonathan M. Flood - Rachel Dewan**: The curative chemistry of healing water from Asklepeion in Sicily and Greece (online)

16:15-17:00 special evening lecture 3 – **Milena Melfi**: Cure and cult in the Asklepieion of Lebena (Crete)

17:00-18:15 *Final discussion and closing remarks* (Tomas Alusik, Robert Arnott, Rupert Breitwieser)

Symposium Dinner afterwards (18:45)