Herbal History Research Network

Seminar 2015



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Trade, Discovery and Influences in the History of Herbal Medicine

10.00 am – 4.30 pm

Wednesday 14 October 2015

Jenner Room

Wellcome Trust, Gibbs Building,

215 Euston Road, London NW1 2BE

Advance registration required

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Trade, Discovery and Influences in the History of Herbal Medicine

The aim of this day is to bring together researchers to explore issues related to trade and commerce of medicinal plants in the history of herbal medicine. Trade in medicinal plants has always been part of human culture. Historiography has tended to divide medicinal cultures into discrete traditions, but may obscure the extent to which they interacted through trade in medicinal products, learning medical skills in the process? What were issues of correct identification, of the quality and preservation of material, of over-harvesting or habitat degradation? A primary driver of early modern Western exploration to distant cultures was to gain direct access to precious herbal commodities. What impact did these exotic medicines have on herbal medicine practice?

About the Herbal History Research Network (HHRN)

A group of researchers have come together, including professionally trained medical herbalists, with active interests in the history of herbal medicine, ranging from classical studies to medieval, early modern and modern medicine. Recognising a lack of readily available research, HHRN aims to promote more and better research. This network can help to connect together people who share common interests in researching the history of herbal medicine through seminars and other events.

Herbal History Research Seminar Programme, Wednesday 14 October 2015

9.30 am Registration, tea and coffee

10.00 am Welcome

10.15 - 12.30 Session 1:

- *What will the neighbours say? Middle-distance drug trade in the ancient world*
  Dr Laurence Totelin, Lecturer in Ancient History, University of Cardiff

- *The Norman Conquest of the materia medica? Expanding pharmacological horizons in eleventh-century England*
  Dr Debby Banham, Associate Lecturer, Birkbeck College/Affiliated Lecturer, University of Cambridge

- *Exchanging herbs: The trade in medicinal plants in early modern Europe,*
  Dr Clare Griffin, Wellcome Trust Research Fellow, University of Cambridge

12.30 - 1.45 Lunch (included)

1.45 – 2.00 Prize and Presentation of Best Student Poster

2.00 – 4.15 Session 2:

- *Medicinal herb consumption in the early modern household*
  Dr Anne Stobart, Medical Herbalist/Honorary Fellow, University of Exeter

- *New drugs, new medicines, 17th -19th centuries: evidence from the Wellcome's collections*
  Dr Richard Aspin, Head of Research and Scholarship, Wellcome Library

- *Trade in materia medica: Evidence from the Kew Collection 1841-1980*
  Dr Mark Nesbitt, Curator Economic Botany Collection, Royal Botanic Gardens, Kew

4.15 - 4.30 Future developments and close.

Herbal History Research Seminar Registration

Registration
Advance registration is essential as space is limited. The cost of the seminar is £50 (£30 concession for students) and includes refreshments and lunch. Early Bird registration before 31 May 2015 is discounted by £5 per person to £45 (£25 for students). To book your place on this seminar please send a cheque, payable to Herbal History Research Network, together with the booking form below. Confirmation will be sent by post/email. If you wish to check availability please email nicky@nickywesson.com
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Herbal History Research Seminar, 2015 Registration Booking Form

Return to: Herbal History Research Network, C/o Nicky Wesson, 26 Church Street, Hampton, Middlesex TW12 2EG

I wish to book the following place(s) at the 2015 Herbal History Research Seminar

…… places @ £45 (£50 after 31 May, 2015) £ ……

…… student places @ £25 (£30 after 31 May, 2015) £ ……

I enclose a cheque for £…….payable to the Herbal History Research Network.

Alternatively, you can pay by bank transfer to the Ecology Building Society quoting account name: Herbal History Research Network, account number: **70361591** and sort code: **08-90-72** with the following reference**: 2601-00229-3**. If you choose this method you must email a completed booking form to inform us payment has been sent.

Please provide the following details for each person who is attending:

Name: ……..

Organisation: ……..

Address:……...

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……**Postcode** ……..…..

Email: ……

Contact Telephone: ……

- Please tick the box if you do not wish your name, institution and email address to be included in the attendance list in the delegate pack [_]
- Please tell us if you have any special dietary needs …….
- Please tick here if you would like to hear about future events …….
- How did you hear about this seminar? ……

Thank you.