





# VIII Abrils de l'Hospital INHH's 12th International Conference

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# Travel and the Hospital

From Pilgrimage to Medical Tourism

24-26th April 2019

Faculty of Geography and History (UB)

c. Montalegre, 6 Universitat de Barcelona

Amics de l'Art Romànic / Institut d'Estudis Catalans and Biblioteca de Catalunya

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Medical tourism is an increasingly popular feature of health care today. Yet it is not always recognised that, throughout their history, hospitals have attracted patients from afar seeking cures, both spiritual and physical, not available at home. While much work has previously focused on the institution as a fixed place, often closely associated with a specific locality, the hospital's role as a focus for a wider network of health needs and health consumers has been largely overlooked. This neglected topic will be the focus of this conference.

From its inception the hospital provided care and cure for pilgrims, either *en route* to, or on their arrival at, shrines, as well as for patients from beyond the urban centre, some from local areas and others travelling great distances to access treatment. These institutions were also distinguished by their architectural and artistic heritage, being decorated with paintings and sculptures, some of which still survive today and depict pilgrims, the poor and the sick. Although many buildings have disappeared or been transformed over time, others remain that reflect their original size and beauty and are important destinations for tourism.

Over the centuries major man-made crises such as war have prompted the introduction of many forms of mobile hospital. Among them were the first ambulances, the medical units that travelled with troops on campaign, and the sophisticated network of treatment stations developed by the combatants of the First World War, including hospital trains with more patients than a London teaching institution. Hospitals have also featured at the heart of migration stories – with staff moving around empires and across borders to acquire medical training and to assist a growing body of patients, whose access to hospital medicine has been limited by poverty, race, lack of citizenship, or the unavailability of specialist services locally. In many parts of the world, and especially in areas with limited healthcare infrastructure or widely dispersed population, hospitals came to the patients, with a variety of mobile institutions being developed to serve the sick in Africa, Russia, Central Europe and across Asia. These many activities reflect the variety of topics that can be included in our theme of Travel and the Hospital.

# Wednesday 24th April

Facultat de Geografia i Història, Universitat de Barcelona (c. Montalegre, 6) Sala Gran

08:45h. Reception 09:15h. Official inauguration

Ricardo Piqueras, Dean of the Faculty of Geography and History Meritxell Simó, Director of IRCVM

### SESSION I. Travel and the Hospital

09:30-11:00 h

Chair: John Henderson (Birkbeck, University of London)

09:30h. Giuliana Albini (Università di Milano): Guarding Bridges, Taking Care of Travellers: Hospital Foundations in Northern and Central Italy (11<sup>th</sup>-14<sup>th</sup> centuries).

09:50h. Marina Gazzini (Università di Milano): Hospitals and Travellers in Medieval Lombardy.

10:10h. Sarah Lennard-Brown (Birkbeck, University of London): The Geography of Charity. The Role of Travel in the Foundation and Day to Day Operation of the Late Medieval Hospitals as Compared to Almshouses in the City of London.

10:30h. Discussion

#### 11:00 h. Coffee Break

# SESSION II. Pilgrimage and the Hospital

11:30-13:00 h

Chair: Teresa Vinyoles (IRCVM-Universitat de Barcelona)

- 11:30h. Carole Rawcliffe (University of East Anglia, Norwich, UK): Changing Institutional Responses to Pilgrims and Wayfarers in Medieval England.
- 11:50h. Antoni Conejo (IRCVM-Universitat de Barcelona): *Iconographic Sources for the History of Pilgrimage and Assistance in the Middle Ages.*
- 12:10h. Salvatore Marino (IRCVM-Universitat de Barcelona) and Ida Mauro (Universitat de Barcelona): The Hospitality Network for Pilgrims and Foreigners in Renaissance Naples.

12:30h. Discussion

13:00-14:30h. Lunch for all delegates (CCCB Restaurant)

#### **SESSION III. Mobile Hospitals**

14:30-16:00h

Chair: Barry Doyle (University of Huddersfield)

- 14:30h. David Theodore (McGill University): Mobility and the Ideal Modern Hospital.
- 14:50h. Phuthego Phuthego Molosiwa (Botswana Open University): 'The Medicine Van': Social Diseases, Healthcare and Mobile Dispensaries in the Bechuanaland Protectorate, 1930s-1966.
- 15:10h. Shane Ewen (Leeds Beckett University) and Rebecca Wynter (University of Birmingham): Mobile Hospitals?: The Operation of Civilian Ambulance Services and the Provision of Emergency Medical Care for Burns c.1900-1970'.

15:30h. Discussion

#### 16:00h. Coffee Break

### SESSION IV. War and the Hospital

16:30-18:00h

Chair: Joana Balsa (Universidade de Lisboa)

- 16:30h. Jon Arrizabalaga (IMF-CSIC): Ambulances and Humanitarian Relief to Wounded Combatants: Reach and Limits of Technological Innovation in the Second Carlist War (1872-1876).
- 16:50h. Mark Butterfield (Leeds Beckett University): Ambulance Train Tourism in the First World War.

17:10h. Discussion

#### SPECIAL SESSION. Presentation of Scientific Posters

17:30-18:30h

Chair: Antoni Conejo (IRCVM-Universitat de Barcelona)

- Pol Bridgewater (IRCVM-Universitat de Barcelona): "Persones miserables de diverses nacions e condicions" (Miserable People of Different Nations and Conditions): The Presence of Foreigners among the Patients of the Hospital of the Holy Cross of Barcelona in the 15<sup>th</sup> Century and its Significance in the Shaping of a Welfare Landscape.
- Isabel Juan Casademont (Universitat de Girona): Construction and Consolidation of an Architectonical Healthcare Model. The Santa Caterina Hospital of Girona (1666-1808).
- Mireia Comas Via (IRCVM-Universitat de Barcelona): The Assistance of Foreign Women in Medieval Catalan Hospitals.
- Susana María Ramírez Martín (Universidad Complutense de Madrid): Flight Against Syphilis: Experiments Agave and Begonia in Mexico and Madrid in the Late Eighteenth Century.

- Jaume Marcé Sánchez (IRCVM-Universitat de Barcelona): The Spread or Influence of Models for Hospitals in the Mediterranean in the Late Middle Ages.
- Teresa Vinyoles (IRCVM-Universitat de Barcelona): Foundling Children in the Holy Cross Hospital of Barcelone: 1488-1490.
- Joana Balsa (Universidade de Lisboa): The Research Project «Hospitalis Hospital Architecture in Portugal at the Dawn of Modernity: Identification, Characterization, and Contextualization».

# **Thursday 25th April**

Amics de l'Art Romànic / Institut d'Estudis Catalans (c. Carme, 47)
Sala Pere i Joan Coromines

# SESSION V. Travel and the Hospital 2

09:00-10:30 h

Chair: Francesca Español (Universitat de Barcelona-Amics de l'Art Romànic)

- 09:00h. Esther Diana (Centro di Documentazione per la Storia dell'Assistenza e della Sanità, Firenze): Poor People, Abandoned Children and Pilgrims From the City of Prato's 'Misericordia e Dolce' Hospital, an Example of Symbiosis Between Artistic Representation, Care and Devotion
- 09:20h. Carmel Ferragud (Institut Interuniversitari López Piñero Universitat de València): Women in Medieval Hospitals: Sibil·la and the 'Hospital de Sant Andreu' in Mallorca.
- 09:40h. Clara Jáuregui (PhD., History): The Wandering Leper and the Treatment of Leprosy in 14th Century Barcelona.

10:00 h. Discussion

10:30h. Coffee Break

### SESSION VI. Heritage, New Technologies and Communities

11:00-13:00h

Chair: Jon Arrizabalaga (IMF-CSIC)

- 11:00h. Joana Balsa de Pinho (Universiade de Lisboa): The Research Project «Hospitalis»: Study and Valorization of Hospitals as Historic Monuments.
- 11:20h. Raúl Villagrasa-Elías (Instituto de Historia-CCHS-CSIC): Application of New Technologies and Historical Cartography for the Web Diffusion of the Hospital Network.
- 11:40h. Ana Mehnert Pascoal, Maria João Neto, and Clara Moura Soares (Universiade de Lisboa): Visits Abroad to Enhance the Portuguese Hospital Network: Administrators, Architects and Doctors Travelling During the 1950s.
- 12:00h. Rob Ellis (University of Huddersfield): London County Council, Foreign Lunatics and the 1905 Aliens Act.

12:30h. Discussion

13:00-14:30h. Lunch for all delegates (CCCB Restaurant)

# VISIT TO THE ANCIENT HOLY CROSS HOSPITAL (NATIONAL LIBRARY OF CATALONIA)

15:00-17:00h (English)

15:30-17:30h (Catalan)

20:00h. Conference Dinner

# Friday 26th April

Biblioteca de Catalunya (c. Hospital, 56) Sala Caritat

### **SESSION VII. Missionary**

09:00-10:30h

Chair: Barry Doyle (University of Huddersfield)

- 09:00h. Andrea L. Arrington-Sirois (Indiana State University): Medical Meccas: Missionary Staff and African Patients: At Mission Hospitals in Colonial Southern Africa.
- 09:20h. Sara Honarmand Ebrahimi (University College Dublin): Caravanserai as an emotional practice: Travellers and the Church Missionary Society (CMS) hospitals in north-west India.
- 09:40h. Karen McNamara (National University of Singapore). *Circuits of Technology and Healing: The Making of a Mission Hospital in South India.* 10:00h. Discussion

#### 10:30h. Coffee Break

#### **SESSION VIII. Centres of Excellence and Tourism**

11:00-13:00h

Chair: Salvatore Marino (IRCVM-Universitat de Barcelona)

- 11:00h. Yannis Gonatidis (University of Crete): Foreign Patients in the Municipal Hospital of Hermoupolis (Syros), 1834-1914.
- 11:20h. Kevin McQueeney (Georgetown University): A "Black Medical Center": Flint Goodridge Hospital and African American Healthcare in Twentieth Century New Orleans.
- 11:40h. Yannis Stoyannidis (University of West Antica): From TB Patients' Travels to Sanatoria Businesses. The Evolution of Medical Tourism.

12:00h. Discussion

12:30-13:00h. Concluding remarks: Antoni Conejo, Barry Doyle, and John Henderson

13:00-15:00h. Free Time for Lunch

#### VISIT TO THE LIBERTY HOSPITAL OF SANT PAU

15:00-17:00h (English and Catalan)

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