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STAFF

Core Academic Staff	Professor Marguerite Dupree Dr Rosemary Elliot Professor Malcolm Nicolson (Director)
Research Fellow	Dr Angus Ferguson (Lord Kelvin/Adam Smith Award)
Honorary Senior Fellows	Professor Samuel Cohn (Centre for Medieval Studies) Dr Kenneth Collins (also Visiting Professor, History of Medicine, Hebrew University of Jerusalem) Professor Anne Crowther (also Adjunct Professor, Flinders University, Adelaide) Professor Lawrence Weaver (also Child Health, MVLS)
Research Assistant	Dr Iain Hutchison
Research Associates	Dr Anne Cameron Mr John Fleming Dr Alexander Pollock
Affiliations	The Centre is affiliated with the Henry Noble History of Dentistry Research Group

GRADUATE STUDENTS AND THEIR TOPICS

Ph.D.

Paula Blair, 'Malcolm Ferguson-Smith and the development of prenatal genetic testing' (jointly with Genetics, College of MVLS, and History, College of Arts). ESRC studentship.

Ian Carthy, "Framing Schizophrenia in Britain, 1945-1970: R D Laing and the Case of Anti-Psychiatry".

Steven Craig, "'Dissevering all connection with the science of abstract quality": the origins of an epistemological watershed in British medicine 1736-1780'.

Maele Jessica Duchemin-Pelletier, 'Stillbirth in Glasgow: medical, religious and legal perspectives, 1901-1992'.

Susan Gardiner, 'The history of antibiotics, antibiotic resistance, and infection control in Scottish hospitals, c. 1930-1970', Leverhulme Trust

Mark Gallagher, 'From mental patient to service user: deinstitutionalization and the emergence of the mental health service user/survivor movement in Scotland 1970-2010', (jointly with Medical Humanities, College of Arts)

Martha Kirby, 'Narratives of eating disorders', ESRC studentship

Michelle McGachie, 'The question of consent in the collection of genetic data for clinical research', Leverhulme Trust

Nick Sharrer, 'A comparative study of the health impact of social housing, Glasgow and Baltimore', Lord Kelvin/Adam Smith studentship (jointly with Urban Studies, University of Glasgow, the London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine, and Johns Hopkins University, Baltimore)

Roz Sullivan, 'Professional misconduct: the work of the disciplinary committee of the General Medical Council'.

Siti Farahiyah Binti Hj Ab Rahim, 'Patients' data privacy vs. breach of confidentiality on electronic media: a critical analysis.' (jointly with the School of Law).

M.D.

Iain Smith, 'The medical response to the "Alcohol Question" in Scotland, 1750-2000', (jointly with Psychological Medicine).

Kenneth Macaulay, 'Birth control knowledge : Scotland, 1900-1975', (jointly with Psychological Medicine).

OVERVIEW

2015 was an active year for the Centre for the History of Medicine, in scholarship, outreach and teaching.

The Centre continued its successful seminar series, in collaboration with the Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons of Glasgow and with the financial support of the Institute of Health and Wellbeing, University of Glasgow. These events, held in the Library of the Royal College, (courtesy of Mrs Carol Parry, Heritage Manager) have proved popular with academic historians, Fellows of the College, other medical personnel, and several interested members of the general public, who learn of the events through the Centre's mailing list. The seminars are now well established within the University's and the College's academic calendar. The programme for the 2015 series is included as an appendix to this report. This is major outreach initiative for the Centre.

Good progress was made in one of the Centre's major research initiatives – a history of Glasgow's Royal Hospital for Sick Children – which has been supported by grants from the Wellcome Trust, NHS Greater Glasgow and Clyde Health Board, the Chancellor's Fund, University of Glasgow, Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons of Glasgow, and Yorkhill Children's Foundation. Professor Weaver, Dr Hutchison and Professor Nicolson are collaborating on this project, the aim of which is to provide a new history of the Yorkhill hospitals, in the context of a broader survey of the development of paediatrics and child health care in the West of Scotland. The book, *Child Health in Scotland: A History of Glasgow's Royal Hospital for Sick Children*, will be published by Scottish History Press in 2016.

Among the Centre's most high-profile enterprises in recent years has been the 'Scottish Way of Birth and Death' project. Sponsored by the Wellcome Trust, this was a historical investigation of civil registration in Scotland from its beginning in 1855 until the Second World War. Several important academic papers flowed from this research and Professor Anne Crowther and Dr Anne Cameron continue to work toward publishing the results. Meanwhile the project's website continues to attract regular visits and constitutes a major outreach resource for the centre:

<http://www.gla.ac.uk/schools/socialpolitical/research/economicsocialhistory/historymedicine/scottishwayofbirthanddeath/>

The Centre continues its fruitful affiliation with the Henry Noble History of Dentistry Research Group. In collaboration with Professor David McGowan of the HNHDRG, Professor Nicolson has edited for publication a collection of essays on the history of dental education, entitled *From Apprenticeship to Life Long Learning: Dental Education Through The Centuries*, published by the HNHDRG and the Centre in 2015. This collection originating from a conference organised by the Centre in October 2011, as a joint venture with the Henry Noble Group and the Lindsay Society for the History of Dentistry.

We congratulate Professor Sam Cohn on his election as a Fellow of the Royal Society of Edinburgh. This is very well-deserved recognition for one of the most productive and active historians of medicine in the United Kingdom. It will be noted from his individual entry that Professor Cohn, as well as being a prolific writer, gives more seminars and conference presentations than many other scholars attend. Congratulations also to Dr Kenneth Collins on being awarded the Edgar Astaire Fellowship in Jewish Studies at the University of Edinburgh. Dr Stephen Craig (PhD student) and Dr Alexander Pollock (recent MD student) have both been made Fellows of the Royal College of Physicians, in the Edinburgh and Glasgow Colleges, respectively.

We were gratified by the achievements of our graduate students in 2015. Two of our PhD students, Martha Kirby and Nick Sharrer, successfully defended their theses. Dr Kenneth Macaulay equally successfully defended his MD thesis. All three were only required to make minor changes. Five new doctoral students have joined us in 2015, two funded by Leverhulme Trust award 'Collections: an Enlightenment Pedagogy for the 21st Century' of which Professor Karen Lury, (Theatre, Film and Television Studies), is the Principal Investigator. Another student, Ms Paula Blair, came first in the ESRC Doctoral Training Centre competition for Scotland.

During 2015, Professor Marguerite Dupree's work concentrated on her Leverhulme Trust-funded project 'From Microbes to Matrons: infection control in British hospitals, c1870-1970'. Held jointly with Professor Anne Marie Rafferty of King's College London, the grant (£223,827 awarded for three years beginning in Oct 2013), provides for a postdoctoral research fellow (Dr Claire Jones) based in London and a research assistant, Dr Iain Hutchison, based at the CHM in Glasgow. The study focuses on operative and post-operative practices, based on medical and nursing textbooks and training materials, and on administrative and case records from four hospitals with which Joseph Lister or Florence Nightingale were associated, two in Scotland and two in London. Professor Dupree is responsible for the Scottish half of the research and shares responsibility for the overall direction of the project with Professor Rafferty. A PhD student, Susan Gardiner, is funded by the project and based in Glasgow at the CHM; she began work in September 2013, co-supervised by Professors Dupree and Nicolson.

Dr Rosemary Elliot continues to develop work from her Wellcome-funded University Award 'Smoking and Health in Germany from Occupation and Re-unification (1945 - 1995)'. She is particularly interested in the question of youth culture in relation to smoking; the relationship between official policy and tobacco industry lobbying; and the role of international culture, international scientific developments and multinational tobacco companies in shaping the situation in Germany. Recently her interest in smoking has broadened to an interest in addiction more generally.

Dr Elliot is also a Co-Investigator, with Professor Eleanor Gordon and Dr Annmarie Hughes, on the AHRC funded *History of Working Class Marriage* project. This research engages with discourses regarding the formation and make-up of the 'traditional' family, and explores the history of working-class courtship, marriage and marriage breakdown in Scotland in the period from the civil registration of marriages in 1855 to the introduction of no-fault divorce legislation in 1976. Dr Elliot investigates the legal and administrative framework of marriage and the family in Scotland, and the experiences, health and well-being of children growing up in different family forms between 1855 and 1976. She has been looking at prescriptive literature on parenting; understandings of childhood; fostering and adoption; and issues around child neglect and abuse.

At the beginning of 2015, Dr Angus Ferguson held a Lord Kelvin Adam Smith Fellowship in Social Sciences. He is now the holder of a College of Social Science Fellowship. Dr Ferguson has also been awarded a University of Glasgow College of Social Sciences Research Fellowship at Columbia University, New York. Dr Ferguson will spend a month in New York in May 2016 working with Professor Amy Fairchild and her colleagues in the Centre for the History and Ethics (Mailman School of Public Health) at Columbia University. The key aim is to develop collaborative research proposals between Columbia and Glasgow, as strategic institutional partners. More details of Dr Ferguson's many activities are given below in his individual entry.

The Centre continues to be active in teaching and curriculum development. We provide Honours modules for the Economic and Social History Subject Area - 'Innovations in Western Medicine, 1790-1960: Social Origins and Cultural Impacts'; 'Nature's Economy; Ecology and Environment in the Western Tradition'; Health and Society in Germany since c1900'; and 'Addiction in the Modern World'. Two options are provided for the students taking the M.Phil/MSc in History - 'History of Medicine 1: studies in the history of medicine before 1850', and 'History of Medicine 2: studies in the history of medicine, 1850 - 2000'. A Student Selected Component 'Topics in the History of Medicine' is offered to second-year medical students. This option was taken up by six students in 2014 and ran very successfully, engendering positive feedback. All the members of the Centre participated, under the convenship of Professor Nicolson. Professor Nicolson also contributes to the 'Life History Project' in the first year of the MBChB. Degree, and to the 'Family Project' in the second year. Our activities in the Medical College generate valuable income for the College of Social Science.

INDIVIDUAL ENTRIES

Dr Anne Cameron

Together with Professor Anne Crowther, Dr Cameron now maintains the website of the project, 'The Scottish Way of Birth and Death: Vital Statistics, the Medical Profession and the State 1854-1945,' <<http://www.gla.ac.uk/departments/scottishwayofbirthanddeath/>>, which has been favourably received by academic researchers and family historians alike. Dr Cameron retains an ongoing interest in the history of midwifery in eighteenth and nineteenth-century Scotland and she continues to teach a seminar and reading/discussion session on the history of obstetrics for the MSc/MLitt in History course, 'History of Medicine 1: Studies in the History of Medicine before 1850'. Since November 2010, she has served as Honorary Secretary of the Scottish Records Association, a charitable organisation concerned with the preservation, promotion and use of historical records in Scotland.

Publication

'University of Strathclyde Archives', (with K. Croll), *Scottish Archives* (2013; published Spring 2015) **19**, 119-130

Paula Blair

In 2014/15, Ms Blair was the holder of a Wellcome Trust Master's Studentship. She then gained an ESRC Doctoral Studentship, coming first in the Scottish DTC competition. She started her PhD in September, jointly supervised by Professor Nicolson, Professor Callum Brown (History, College of Arts) and Professor Kevin O'Dell (Genetics, MVLS).

Presentations

'Pontecorvo's Legacy' European Society of Human Genetics Workshop, Glasgow, June 2015.

'The history of prenatal testing in Scotland', Postgraduate Symposium, The Institute for the Study of Science, Technology and Innovation, University of Edinburgh, December.

Professor Sam Cohn

Professor Cohn's election, in March, as a Fellow of the Royal Society of Edinburgh, is a highlight of the year. In 2015, Professor Cohn has held several distinguished visiting appointments. From September 2014 to June 2015, he was Fellow of the Institute for Advanced Studies in the Humanities at the University of Edinburgh, and continues as an Honorary Fellow. In March, he was Visiting Scholar, American Academy in Rome, and, in April, Visiting Professor at the University of Antwerp. He sits on the Editorial Board of *Social History*; the MeMo Editorial Board, Utrecht, (an international monograph series on cultures of memoria and remembrance, Brepols Press); and the Editorial Board of the monograph series, *Studies in Renaissance History, Art, and Culture*, Amsterdam University Press. He is a member of the ESRC College of Peers.

Presentations

'Naming and blaming? From *Malfrancese* to *Lues venera*: the extraordinary collection of syphilis pamphlets at Glasgow', Glasgow Syphilis Conference, January.

'Rethinking poverty', Plenary Address, Conference, 'Rich and Poor in Western Europe c.1375-1475, the Political Paradox of Material Wellbeing', Newman University, Birmingham, U.K., January.

'Fear and loathing: reactions to Black Death and plague, 1347 – c.1500', Institute for Advanced Studies in the Humanities, University of Edinburgh, February.

'The Great Influenza, 1918-1919: a plague of compassion', Johns Hopkins University History of Medicine Seminar, February.

'Fear and loathing: reactions to Black Death and plague, 1347 to c.1500', Medieval History Seminar, University of Glasgow, March.

'Cholera Riots, 1831 to the Present: a class struggle we may not like', Socialist Theory and Socialist Movements Lecture Series, University of Glasgow, March.

'Fear and loathing: reactions to Black Death and plague, 1347 to c.1500', Syracuse University (Florence) Lecture Series, March

Popular Revolt Workshop, University of St. Andrews, April.

'Patterns of plague, from the Black Death to the third pandemic', University of Antwerp, February.

'Abandonment and unity: reactions to the Black Death and plague, 1347 to c. 1500', University of Antwerp, April.

'The Black Death: the Flagellants and the Burning of Jews', University of Antwerp, April.

'The anachronism of the "Other"', Fear of the Foreign: Pandemics and Xenophobia Workshop, Bellagio, Rockefeller Foundation, June.

'Cholera riots from 1831 to the present', Keynote Address, Conference, '800 Years of Riot and Protest', University of Winchester, June.

'Social movements: medieval guilds and cholera riots in the nineteenth and twentieth century', Movement Discourse: Historical and Contemporary Formations and Transformations, Oldenburg, Germany, July.

'AIDS: A disease of hate, compassion, and politics' Institute for Advanced Studies in the Humanities, University of Edinburgh, October.

'Mechanisms for unity: plagues and saints', Early Modern Seminar, University of Strathclyde, October.

'Epidemics' social toxins from Antiquity to the Present', Keynote Address, Conference on Comparative Approaches to Hazards and Shocks, University of Utrecht, November.

'Fears, myths and violations: the corpse and burials in cholera and plague riots compared', Conference, Corpses, Burial, and Infections, Centre for Research in the Arts, Social Science and History, University of Cambridge, December.

Publications

'Enigmas of communication: Jacques, Ciompi, and the English', in: H.R.O Herrer, V. Challet, and J. Dumolyn, (eds.) *Espacio público, opinión y comunicación política a fines de la Edad Media*. (Seville: Universidad de Sevilla, 2015), pp. 227-47.

'Paradoxes: rich and poor in Western Europe and the political consequences, ca. 1300-1600', in S. Farmer (ed) *Approaches to Poverty in Medieval Europe: Complexities, Contradictions, Transformations, c. 1100–1500*, (Turnhout: Brepols, 2015), pp. 90-107.

'Renaissance hate and disease in European perspective', in F. Ricciardelli and A. Zorzi (eds) *Emotions, Passion and Power in Renaissance Italy*, (Amsterdam: Amsterdam University Press, 2015).

'Authority and popular resistance', in Hamish Scott (ed) *The Oxford Handbook of Early Modern European History*, 2 vols, (Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2015), II, pp. 418-39.

'Coping with epidemic crisis, from Antiquity to the Present', in A.T. Brown, A.J. Burn, and R.P. Doherty (eds) *Crises in Economic and Social History: A Comparative Perspective*, (Woodbridge: Boydell & Brewer, 2015), pp. 189-212.

Grants

Major Research Fellowship, Leverhulme Trust, 'Epidemics: waves of disease, waves of hate, from the plague of Athens to AIDS', three years from September 2014.

Dr Kenneth Collins

As mentioned in the overview, we are delighted to mark the awarding of the Edgar Astaire Fellowship in Jewish Studies to Dr Collins. He will hold the post at the University of Edinburgh for the academic year, 2015-2016, undertaking research on the medical aspects of Jews and Poles in wartime Scotland. Dr Collins is also Visiting Professor in the History of Medicine at the Hebrew University, Israel; the Editor-in-Chief of *Vesalius, Journal of the International Society for the History of Medicine*; Deputy Editor of *Korot: Journal of the Israeli Society for the History of Medicine and Science*; and a member of the Editorial Board

for a study of the writings of Tuviya HaKohen (Tobias Cohen) and his scientific/medical encyclopaedia *Maasei Tuviya* (Venice, 1708)

Presentations

Session Moderator: International Conference on Medicine and the Holocaust: Acre, Israel. May.

Oral History in a Glasgow Urban Practice: on-line *British Medical Journal* blog on Attitudes to Women

Doctors: 8th June 2015

Publications

Isaac Israeli: the Philosopher Physician, with S. Kottek and H. Paavilainen (eds), (Berman Medical Library, Jerusalem, 2015).

In the Pathways of Maimonides, with A. Steinberg and E. Reichman (eds) (Maimonides Research Institute, New York, 2015).

Maele Jessica Duchemin-Pelletier

Ms Duchemin-Pelletier served as a member of the committee for the Institute of Health and Wellbeing student-led Conference, held on 8 June. She participated in the Ben Haneman Memorial Student Prize Competition, her essay being judged as 'Highly Commended'. From October 2015, she is Postgraduate Research representative for the Economic and Social History Subject Area.

Presentations

'The changing legal and medical status of stillborn babies in Britain in the twentieth century', Social History Society Annual Conference, Portsmouth, March.

'The management of stillbirth in the United Kingdom', Australian and New Zealand Society of the History of Medicine 14th Biennial Conference/International Society for the History of Medicine, Sydney, Australia, July.

Publication

'Report on the Australian and New Zealand Society of the History of Medicine 14th Biennial Conference/International Society for the History of Medicine VIII Meeting "Missions, Methods and Management"', *Society for the Social History of Medicine Gazette*, **70** (August 2105).

Professor Marguerite Dupree

During 2015 Professor Dupree's work concentrated on her Leverhulme Trust-funded project 'From Microbes to Matrons: infection control in British hospitals, c1870-1970'. Held jointly with Professor Anne Marie Rafferty of King's College London, the grant provides for a postdoctoral research fellow (Dr Claire Jones) based in London and a one-year part-time research assistant, Dr Iain Hutchison, based at the CHM in Glasgow and supervised by Professor Dupree. Dr Hutchison began work in September 2014, finishing in November 2015. The study focuses on operative and post-operative practices, based on medical and nursing textbooks and training materials, and on administrative and case records from four hospitals with which Joseph Lister or Florence Nightingale were associated, two in Scotland and two in London. Professor Dupree is responsible for the Scottish half of the research and shares responsibility for the overall direction of the project with Professor Rafferty. A PhD student, Susan Gardiner, is funded by the project and based in Glasgow at the CHM; she began work in September 2013, co-supervised by Professors Dupree and Nicolson.

Throughout 2015, there were fortnightly project group meetings via Skype and a face-to-face group meeting in Glasgow in August. In addition, the project team met twice (4th February and 5th October) with the project advisory board, who provide valuable advice on research themes, conference location and book proposals. Professor Dupree and members of the project team will be presenting numerous papers at seminars and conferences in the coming year, including the American Association for the History of Medicine's annual conference in Minneapolis. The project team is planning a conference for September 2016 in London, bringing together historians, current practitioners and policy makers to discuss hospital infection control past and present. It will be funded by a grant of £5,000 from the Wellcome Trust.

Professor Dupree refereed grant applications for the Wellcome Trust and AHRC; and book manuscripts for publishers (Brill). She has been an appointed member of AHRC Peer-Review College since April 2012, and an invited member of the Carnegie Trust for the Universities of Scotland's Research Grant Assessor Panel since 2014.

She participated in CHM and ESH activities, teaching three classes for the masters' option courses, History of Medicine I and II in Semesters 1 and 2, and for the Student Selected Component for undergraduate medical students in Semester 2.

Presentations

'The costs of infection control in British hospitals c1870-1970', Economic History Society Annual Conference, University of Wolverhampton, March 2015

'Life choices of British doctors in the late-nineteenth century: a case study in prosopography', Prosopography Workshop, King's College London, May 2015

'The costs of infection control in British hospitals, c1870-1970', (with C. Jones and I. Hutchison) European Association for the History of Medicine and Health Biennial Conference, University of Cologne, Germany, September 2015

Grants

£223,827 from the Leverhulme Trust (with Professor Anne Marie Rafferty of King's College London) 'From Microbes to Matrons: infection control in British hospitals, c1870-1970', for three years, beginning October 2013.

Dr Rosemary Elliot

As noted in the overview above, Dr Elliot is co-investigator in the AHRC funded The History of Working-class Marriage project. This involvement allows Dr Elliot to explore her interests in gender and oral history, and, increasingly, knowledge exchange. This has included the successful and enjoyable 'Tell Us Your Story' tour, which visited five locations in Scotland to publicise the project and collect experiences, images and ephemera related to marriage and family from people across Scotland, and beyond, as it turned out.

Dr Elliot is also a founding member of the Centre for Gender History. Her interest in gender and the way in which this shapes attitudes and experience informs both areas of her research. She is developing an e-pack for use in schools on marriage and the family in history. Dr Elliot supervises (with Dr Annmarie Hughes) a PhD studentship linked to the AHRC award, held by Ms Felicity Cawley,

Publications

'Inhaling democracy: cigarette advertising and health education in post-war West Germany, 1950s-1975'. *Social History of Medicine*, (2015) **28** 509-531. (doi:10.1093/shm/hkv004),

Dr Elliot also contributed to the AHRC project *History of Working Class Marriage* blog (<http://workingclassmarriage.gla.ac.uk/>).

Grants

Dr Elliot is co-investigator (with Professor Gordon and Dr Hughes) in the AHRC funded project, 'A History of Working Class Marriage, 1855-1976'.

Dr Angus Ferguson

2015 was a productive year in terms of research, publications, PhD recruitment and Knowledge Exchange/Impact. Dr Ferguson spent February in Wellington and Auckland, researching source material in the local offices of Archives New Zealand. While at the University of Auckland, he gave a public lecture, which was very well attended.

Following on from the success of his 2014 Wellcome Trust sponsored symposium 'Medical Confidentiality and Privacy: Past, Present and Future', Dr Ferguson's co-organised (with Professor Maehle, Durham University) a special two-volume edition of the *Journal of Medical Law and Ethics*, which was published in August. In addition to his own article, this has contributions from senior figures in relevant fields including: history, law, clinical research, medical education and public health. It also includes a paper from the

Standards and Ethics Policy Manager at the General Medical Council, reflecting on the current review of professional guidance on these issues.

In February, Dr Ferguson accepted an invitation to become a member of the newly-established Public Benefit and Privacy Panel for Health and Social Care. The PBPP is a governance structure of NHS Scotland, exercising delegated decision-making on behalf of NHS Scotland Chief Executive Officers and the Registrar General. It operates as a centre of excellence for privacy, confidentiality, and information governance expertise in relation to Health and Social Care in Scotland, providing strategic leadership and direction in this area to NHS Scotland Boards, the research community, and wider stakeholder groups. The Panel replaces the Privacy Advisory Committee, of which Dr Ferguson was also a member until its final meeting in June. In addition to undertaking reviews, and attending Tier 2 panel meetings, Angus took part in discussions between the Panel and the Farr Institute in Scotland regarding the challenge of balancing the public interests in privacy and data sharing for research.

In October, Dr Ferguson accepted an invitation to speak at a Mackay Hannah Conference on 'Data Safety in Health and Social Care'. This was high profile event with around 100 delegates. Other speakers included Geoff Huggins (Acting Director of Health and Social Care Integration, Scottish Government) and Maureen Falconer (Senior Policy Officer, Information Commissioner's Office).

Dr Ferguson lectured on Economic and Social History Level 2, taught on the Centre's PGT courses, supervising two dissertations, and developed a proposal for a new honours course. He was an active participant in the Glasgow History of Medicine Group seminars at the Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons of Glasgow, chairing two of the sessions in the Spring. He was also a member of the Institute of Health and Wellbeing Social Sciences group, regularly attending meetings and seminars and providing an overview of his research during the December meeting. In May, Dr Ferguson re-established the Centre for the History of Medicine Reading Group for staff and postgraduate students, which meets once a month to discuss a pre-circulated paper. In June, he chaired the viva examination for an MD candidate in the Centre.

Grants

Dr Ferguson has been awarded a University of Glasgow College of Social Sciences Research Fellowship at Columbia University, New York. Dr Ferguson will spend a month in New York in May 2016 working with Professor Amy Fairchild and her colleagues in the Centre for the History and Ethics (Mailman School of Public Health) at Columbia University. The key aim is to develop collaborative research proposals between Columbia and Glasgow, as strategic institutional partners.

Impact and Knowledge Exchange

Member of the Privacy Advisory Committee (National Services Scotland).

Member of Public Benefit and Privacy Panel for Health and Social Care (NHS Scotland). See: <http://www.informationgovernance.scot.nhs.uk/>

Presentations

'Private and confidential? A history of concern over the collection and use of patient information.' Public lecture, University of Auckland, New Zealand, February..

'Setting agreed standards for information sharing and remembering the Caldicott Principles.' Invited conference paper, Mackay Hannah Public Policy Conference: 'Data Safety in Scottish Health and Social Care Partnerships', Edinburgh, October.

'The roles of history in debates about privacy, public interests and datafication.' Symposium paper, Public and Private: Interdisciplinary Workshop, University of Glasgow, May.

Publications

'Ignored disease or diagnostic dustbin? Sudden infant death syndrome in the British context', *Social History of Medicine*, (2015) **28**, 487-508.

'The role of history in debates regarding the boundaries of medical confidentiality and privacy', *Journal of Medical Law and Ethics*, (2015) **3**, 65-81.

'Introducing ethical frameworks into classroom discussions of scientific ethics', (with J.M.D. Philip). *School Science Review*, (2015) **96**, 95-98.

'Medical confidentiality and privacy: past present and future'. (with A-H Maehle) , *Journal of Medical Law and Ethics*, (2015) **3**, 1-3.

Susan Gardiner

Presentation

'The management of infection: the Glasgow Royal Infirmary and the anti-infection sub-committee', Australian and New Zealand Society of the History of Medicine 14th Biennial Conference/International Society for the History of Medicine, Sydney, Australia, June.

Publications

'14th biennial conference of the Australian and New Zealand Society for the History of Medicine (ANZSHM)', *Society for the Social History of Medicine Gazette*, 70, August.

'2015 biennial conference reports: a student perspective', *Medical History Newsletter*, Australian and New Zealand Society for the History of Medicine, 50, August.

Mark Gallagher

Mr Gallagher was Visiting Lecturer on the 'Mad People's History and Identity' course, School of Health Sciences, Queen Margaret University, April and May 2015

Presentations

"The insurrection of subjugated knowledges" and the case of the Scottish Union of Mental Patients: Doing history from "a level below which you cannot sink", Conference, Making Sense of Mad Studies, Durham University, September.

Dr Iain Hutchison

Dr Hutchison is Research Assistant on the Leverhulme Trust-funded project 'From Microbes to Matrons: Infection control in British hospitals, c1870-1970', supervised by Professor Dupree. He is a Board Member and International Representative of the worldwide Disability History Association; a Trustee of Disability History Scotland; and the Book Reviews Editor of H-Disability.

Presentations

'Glasgow Royal Infirmary, the rise of professional nursing – and the role of a Strong woman', Workers Educational Association, Kilmarnock, February.

'Glasgow Royal Infirmary, the rise of professional nursing – and the role of a Strong woman', Workers Educational Association, Renfrew February

'Nurses interviewing nurses: problems and possibilities when a profession records its own history', Scottish Oral History Centre, University of Strathclyde, March.

'Creativity versus respectability: a contest between blind aspirations and the values of philanthropic interventionists in Victorian and Edwardian Scotland', *Blind Creations*, International Colloquium on Blindness and the Arts, Royal Holloway, University of London, June

'The Cost of Infection Control in British Hospitals, c. 1870-1970', (with M. Dupree and C. Jones), European Association for the History of Medicine and Health Biennial Conference, University of Cologne, September.

Publications

Feeling Our History: The Experience of Blindness and Sight Loss in Edwardian Edinburgh, the Lothians and the Scottish Borders (Edinburgh: RNIB Scotland)

Hearing Our History: RNIB research volunteers discuss the experience of blindness and sight loss in Edwardian Edinburgh, the Lothians and the Scottish Borders (Edinburgh: RNIB Scotland)

The above titles were produced in normal print, large print, braille, electronic and audio formats.

Media

Insight Radio – Dr Hutchison wrote the scripts and participated in six broadcasts and podcasts on themes from Seeing Our History, September 2015.

<http://www.insightradio.co.uk/seeingourhistory.html#.VrpgkxiLTcs>

Outreach

Dr Hutchison was a consultant with Dr Catriona Burness and Dr Hazel McFarlane on accessibility for people with disabilities on the Glasgow Central Station heritage programme for Network Rail. Suggestions were also made on how historical impact might be developed.

Martha Kirby

Ms Kirby successfully defended her doctoral thesis, 'Narratives of eating disorders', in June. She was supervised by Professor Nicolson and Dr Elliot.

Kenneth Macaulay

Dr Macaulay successfully defended his M.D. thesis 'Birth control knowledge: Scotland, 1900-1975' in June. He was supervised by Professor Nicolson and Dr K. Mullen (Psychological Medicine).

Publications

Book review : '*Female Circumcision and Clitoridectomy in the United States. A History of Medical Treatment* by Sarah Rodriguez', *Vesalius*, **21** (2015), 91-93.

Dr Hazel Morrison

We congratulate Dr Morrison, who was awarded her doctorate from the Centre in 2014, on her appointment as Research Associate, Durham University, to the Volkswagen Foundation funded project 'Wandering Minds: Interdisciplinary Experiments on Self-generated Thought', hosted at the Hubhub, the Wellcome Trust, London.

Professor Malcolm Nicolson

Professor Nicolson sits on the editorial boards of *Notes and Records of the Royal Society*; *Spontaneous Generations: A Journal of the History of Science*; and *Reproductive Biomedicine and Society*. He is a member of the Hunterian Museum Academic Advisory Committee and the SAT Seminar Series and Networking Opportunities Working Group. In November, he was admitted to the Wellcome Trust's pool of committee members.

Professor Nicolson is mentor to Dr Angus Ferguson, as successively LKAS Post-doctoral Fellow and College of Social Science Post-doctoral Fellow. In 2015, he was very pleased to see two of his PhD students, Martha Kirby and Nicholas Sharrer, and an MD student, Kenneth Macaulay, all successfully complete their dissertations. He successfully sponsored Paula Blair, holder of a Wellcome Trust Master's Award, in her application for a ESRC doctoral studentship. Professor Nicolson runs the Centre's seminar series, in collaboration with the Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons of Glasgow.

Professor Nicolson participates in an exciting international initiative, jointly by the Universities of Uppsala, Edinburgh, Yale and, through the Hunterian Museum, Glasgow, to organise joint conferences and exhibitions, highlighting the importance of their eighteenth-century museum collections. He has attended workshops in Göttingen and Glasgow, related to this project, and had discussions with the Hunterian Museum, as to how his research on the diagnostic practice of William Hunter and Mathew Baillie can contribute to this enterprise, and to the William Hunter Tercentenary Celebrations in 2018.

Professor Nicolson has research interests in the history of obstetrics and is currently developing a research project, with Dr Sonali Shah (Strathclyde Centre for Disability Studies) on the antenatal and obstetric care received by disabled women of South-East Asian ethnicity. A funding application will be submitted to the Chief Scientist's Office in 2016. He also works on the history of physical examination (with Dr Pollock) and on the history of the Glasgow Medical School. He publishes occasionally on the history of plant ecology (two articles forthcoming in 2016) and, in the light of recent theorising by academic public health doctors that the health of the environment is the most important public health challenge of all, is developing research links between his ecological and medical interests.

Professor Nicolson regularly reviews grant applications for the Wellcome Trust and occasionally for the Leverhulme Trust. In 2015, he refereed articles for *Medical History*, *Scottish Medical Journal*, *Journal of the Royal College of Physicians of Edinburgh*, and *Social History of Medicine*.

Presentation

'Matthew Baillie, anatomical collections and the anatomico-clinical project', Hunterian Tercentenary Workshop, University of Glasgow, June.

Publications

Apprenticeship to Life-long Learning: Dental Education through the Centuries, (edited with D. McGowan) HNHRG (2015).

Book review, 'A Surgical Temptation: The Demonization of the Foreskin and the Rise of Circumcision in Britain', by Robert Darby', *The Historian* (2015) 77, 599-600.

Media

Professor Nicolson is regularly consulted to give advice to the script writers of the television programmes, *Call the Midwife*, and *Mr Selfridge*. In 2015, he also assisted the researchers of *Who Do You Think You Are?*, and recently had the pleasant experience of advising John Sessions how to examine Meryl Streep for the Argyll Robertson pupil (a diagnostic sign suggestive of neurosyphilis) in preparation for the filming of a biopic of Florence Foster Jenkins.

Grants

In collaboration with Dr Adam Ganz (PI), Reader in Screenwriting at Royal Holloway University, and Ms Kate Swan, a television producer, an application was submitted to the Wellcome Trust for a Development Award (Broadcast and Film) to fund the development of a TV drama/documentary based on the story of the Edinburgh Seven, the first women to study medicine in Scotland. Our application for £14,000 has been approved in principle. However the starting date of the award has not yet been finalised as negotiations with the BBC, other production companies, and a script writer, are ongoing. This is an important interdisciplinary knowledge exchange initiative which Professor Nicolson hopes will come to fruition in the next few months.

Dr Alexander Pollock

We congratulate Dr Pollock on his being awarded the Fellowship of the Royal College of Physicians of Glasgow. His M.D. thesis 'From Dyspepsia to Helicobacter: a history of peptic ulcer disease' (May 2014) has already been downloaded a remarkable 1306 times. Dr Pollock is currently working with Professor Nicolson on the history of physical examination, 1750 to 1850.

Publication

'Historical Perspectives in the Ambulance Service' in P. Wankhade and K. Mackway-Jones (eds), *Ambulance Services: Leadership and Management Perspectives*, (Springer International Publishing, 2015) pp 17-28

Nicholas Sharrer

Mr Sharrer successfully defending his doctoral thesis, 'A comparative study of the health impact of social housing, Glasgow and Baltimore', in December. He was supervised by Professor Nicolson, Professor Ade Kerns (Urban Studies), Dr Matt Egan (London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine) and Dr Graham Mooney, Johns Hopkins University, Baltimore. Mr Sharrer is now employed as a Research Fellow in the Centre for Population Health Sciences, University of Edinburgh.

Presentation

'Public Health and Housing Policy in Glasgow and Baltimore' Scottish Society for the History of Medicine, March.

Dr Iain Smith

Dr Smith, a consultant psychiatrist at Gartnavel Royal, occupies an unusual position in the Centre, being simultaneously an M.D. student, supervised by Professor Nicolson and Dr Mullen (Psychological Medicine) and a supervisor (of Ian Carthy, jointly with Professor Nicolson). He has also been an internal examiner. We are grateful for his involvement in all these roles.

Presentations

'From Inebriates through Alcoholics to Problem Drinkers-Scottish Psychiatry's Shifting Role in Response to the "Long Waves of Alcohol Consumption"' State Hospital, Carstairs, February.

'Scottish Medicine and the "Alcohol Question": From the Late Victorian Peak to the Inter-World War Trough', Biennial conference of the Alcohol and Drug History Society, Bowling Green University, Ohio, June

'From Inebriety to Alcoholism: The attempted medicalisation of heavy drinking in Scotland, 1850-1950', Glasgow History of Medicine Group, Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons of Glasgow, November.

Publication

'Psychostimulants and artistic, musical and literary creativity', in P. Taba, A. Lees and K. Sikk (eds) *International Review of Neurobiology*, (2015) **120**, (Academic press/Elsevier) pp 301-326.

Media

Interview in *Herald* on 1/1/2015 about 200 years of Gartnavel Royal Hospital.

Professor Lawrence Weaver

Professor Weaver organised a meeting of the British Society for the History of Paediatrics and Child Health at Brasenose College, Oxford in September 2015. He chairs the history committee of the European Society of Paediatric Gastroenterology, Hepatology and Nutrition, which aims to publish a history of this society to mark its fiftieth anniversary in 2018. He leads the project to produce a new history of the Glasgow Royal Hospital for Sick Children, which will be published by Scottish History Press in 2016.

Presentations

'The history of the Royal Sick Children's Hospital, Yorkhill', Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons of Glasgow, April

'The historical roots of modern gastroenterology', British Society for the History of Paediatrics and Child Health, Brasenose College, Oxford, September.

'The history of the Royal Sick Children's Hospital', research meeting to celebrate the opening of the new Royal Hospital for Children, Glasgow, October.

GLASGOW HISTORY OF MEDICINE GROUP 2015 PROGRAMME

The Institute of Health and Wellbeing, University of Glasgow, and the Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons of Glasgow are collaborating in a series of seminars on medical history, medical humanities and related topics. The series is organised and run by the Centre for the History of Medicine.

10 February

Dr Lara Marks, Kings College, London 'From Research Probe to Blockbuster Drugs: The story of monoclonal antibodies in healthcare'.

10 March

Professor Anne Hardy, London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine, 'Eats Shoots, and Heaves: Salad, science and medicine 1870-2000'.

21 April

Professor Oonagh Walsh, Glasgow Caledonian University, 'History, Medicine and Politics in Ireland: The writing of the 2013 Symphysiotomy Report'.

17 November

Dr Iain Smith, University of Glasgow, 'From Inebriety to Alcoholism: The attempted medicalisation of heavy drinking in Scotland, 1850-1950'.

30 November

Jane Coutts, University of Glasgow, 'Illustrating Microorganisms: Sir William Watson Cheyne and early bacteriology in British medicine', (jointly hosted with the Institute of Biodiversity, Animal Health and Comparative Medicine)

8 December

Dr Jeff Meek, University of Glasgow, 'The Queer Man and the Medic: Examining medical interactions with homosexuality in Scotland, 1885-1980'.