

From “Animal” to “Man”

The medical and philosophical debate on human intelligence and animal perceptual faculties between Aristotelianism, Cartesianism and Post-Cartesianism (16th–18th centuries)

Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin

Conference Programme

Thursday, 27th September, 2012

(Topoi Building, Hannoversche Straße 6, Seminar Room 1.03)

8.30–9.30 Registration

9.30–9.45 Introduction

(Roberto Lo Presti / Stefanie Buchenau / Philip van der Eijk)

1st session: chair Philip van der Eijk (Humboldt-Universität)

9.45–10.30 **Stefano Perfetti** (*Università di Pisa*)

Discussions on animal thought in late-scholastic Aristotelianism. Agostino Nifo's commentaries on Aristotle's zoological works and *Parva naturalia*)

10.30–11.15 **Hiro Hirai** (*Radboud University, Nijmegen*)

Animal and human generation and intellect in Renaissance medical debates

Coffee Break

11.45–12.30 **James Lennox / Peter Distelzweig** (*University of Pittsburgh*)

Sensation and locomotion in Aristotle, Fabricius and Harvey

12.30–13.15 **Davide Cellamare** (*Radboud University, Nijmegen*)

Renaissance psychology. Francisco Vallés (1524–1592) and Otto Casmann (1562–1607) on animal and human souls

Lunch

2nd session: chair Roberto Lo Presti (Humboldt-Universität / ANR-Philomed)

15.15–16.00 **Dennis Des Chene** (*Washington University*)

Sennert and the seed: explaining substantial change in generation

16.00–16.45 **Charles Wolfe** (*Universiteit Gent*)

The problem of living machines and life principles in early modern natural philosophy

Evening programme

(Hörsaalruine, Berliner Medizinhistorisches Museum, Charitéplatz 1 – <http://www.bmm.charite.de/ruine/ruine.htm>)

19.00 *Keynote Lecture:*

Domenico Bertoloni Meli (*Indiana University*)

Machines of the body in the 17th century

Reception

Friday, 28th September, 2012

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1st session: chair Stephen Gaukroger (Sydney University)

9.00–9.45 **Nunzio Allocca** (*Roma, La Sapienza / ANR-Philomed*)
Beyond Aristotle's *Zoology* and Descartes' theory of living automata:
natural history and compared anatomy at the seventeenth-century
Académie Royale des Sciences of Paris

9.45–10.30 **Claire Crignon** (*Paris IV / ANR-Philomed*)
The debate on the soul of brutes in Thomas Willis *De Anima Bruto-*
rum, London 1672

Coffee Break

Chair Stefanie Buchenau (Paris 8 / ANR-Philomed)

11.00–11.45 **Domenico Bertoloni Meli** (*Indiana University*)
Diseases of the brain seen through Giovanni Battista Morgagni's eyes

11.45–12.30 **Stephen Gaukroger** (*Sydney University*)
Anthropological Medicine and the Naturalization of Sensibility

Lunch

2nd session: chair Claire Crignon (Paris IV / ANR-Philomed)

14.30–15.15 **Tobias Cheung** (*Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin*)
The order of inner and outer acts in Cabanis's human animals

15.15–16.00 **Stefanie Buchenau** (*Paris 8 / ANR-Philomed*)
'Sensus communis', 'sensorium commune' and 'sensus internus' in
the late German Enlightenment

Coffee Break

3rd session: chair Christoph Lüthy (Radboud University, Nijmegen)

16.30–18.30 General Discussion