



**After 1918:  
History and Politics of Influenza  
in the 20<sup>th</sup> and 21<sup>st</sup> Centuries**

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**Langue de travail : anglais**

## Wednesday 24 August

9:00-9:30 – Registration

9:30-10:00 – Conference Introduction

10:00-11:30 – Pandemic Memories

- **Chair: Patrick Zylberman (EHESP)**
- **Nancy K. Bristow (University of Puget Sound)**  
Forgetting and Remembering: The Human Legacy of the 1918 Pandemic in the United States
- **John McLane (University of Otago)**  
One Disease, One People, Two Histories: Influenza in Samoa
- **Esyllt Jones (University of Manitoba)**  
Beyond the Epidemic Moment: Family, Memory and Modernity in Influenza's Histories

11:45-13:30 – Lunch

13:30-15:00 – Medical Legacies

- **Chair: Donald Avery (University of Western Ontario)**
- **Andrew Noymer (University of California, Irvine)**  
The 1918–19 influenza pandemic affected the decline of tuberculosis.
- **James E. Higgins (Kutztown University)**  
Responses, Results, and Revisions: Four Industrial Cities' Response to Influenza, Mortality Results, and Post-Epidemic Changes to Public Health and Pneumonia, 1918-1920.
- **Wilfried Witte (Institut für Geschichte der Medizin, Berlin)**  
Between Bacteriology and Virology. Influenza vaccination in Germany, 1930s-1949.

15:00-15:15 – Break

### 15:15-16:45 – Pursuing Pandemics

- **Chair: Nancy Bristow (University of Puget Sound)**
- **Mark Honigsbaum (Zurich University)**  
Influenza, apocalypse and pandemic production
- **Kenton Kroker (York University)**  
Epidemic encephalitis, an inversion of influenza
- **Carol R. Byerly (University of Colorado)**  
An Elusive Foe: The U.S. Army's Pursuit of Influenza from the 1920s to the 1970s

### 16:45-17:00 - Break

### 17:00-18:00 - Keynote

- **Howard Philips (University of Capetown)**  
How the years flew: 93 years of influenza historiography

### 19:00 – Conference Dinner

## Thursday 25 August

### 9:00-10:30 – Surveillance Systems

- **Chair: Michael Bresalier (CHSTM)**
- **George Dehner (Wichita State University)**  
Creating the World Influenza Surveillance System: Surveillance with a Purpose
- **Frédéric Vagneron (Centre de Recherches Historiques, EHESP)**  
The WHO Influenza Program and the Surveillance of Influenza epidemics (1947-1970s)
- **Frédéric Keck (Laboratoire d'Anthropologie Sociale, EHESP)**  
How Hong Kong Became a Sentinel for Avian Flu

**10:30-10:45 – Break**

**10:45-12:15 – Biosecurity Politics**

- **Chair: Susan Craddock (University of Minnesota)**
- **Donald H. Avery (University of Western Ontario)**  
The 1957 Influenza Pandemic and Biological Warfare Planning: An Unexplored Relationship
- **Nadav Davidovitch/ Benjamin Langer (Ben Gurion University of the Negev)**  
Securitisation of Global Public Health: Emerging Frameworks from Israel-Palestine
- **Carlo Caduff (Zurich University)**  
The Semiotics of Security: Infectious Disease Research and the Biopolitics of Informational Bodies in the United States

**12:15-13:30 – Lunch**

**14:00-15:00 – Globalization and Flu**

- **Chair: Mark Honigsbaum (Zurich University)**
- **Veronica Rocamora/Francisco Tirado (Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona)**  
Why did the H1N1 Influenza reach its global condition? The techno-social operators and the global aspects of the epidemics
- **Meike Wolf (Goethe-University Frankfurt)**  
Prevention and Preparedness: Anthropological perspectives on the globalization of influenza

**15:00-15:15 – Break**

**15:15-16:15 – Keynote**

- **Claude Hannoun (Institut Pasteur)**

**19:30 – Conference Dinner**

## Friday 26 August

### 9:30-10:30 – Politics of Planning

- **Chair: Virginia Berridge**
- **François Buton & Frédéric Pierru (Université Montpellier)**  
Crises that didn't come: Responses to pandemic influenza threats: USA 1976, France 2009
- **Stéphanie Thomas (Université Paris Sorbonne)**  
The dynamics of communicating in a health crisis: the H1N1 influenza crisis in France

### 10:30-10:45 – Break

### 10:45-12:15 – Governing Flu

- **Chair: Tamara Giles-Vernick (Institut Pasteur)**
- **Yu-Ju Chien (University of Minnesota)**  
Global Health Governance and Institutional Collaboration – The Adoption and Manufacturing of the “One Health”
- **Rachel Irwin (London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine)**  
Who governs pandemic influenza? Negotiating fair access, equity and transparency in pandemic preparedness
- **Kristen Gray (University of California, Berkeley)**  
Universal Rights, Global Responsibility: Voluntary Donations and the Politics of Sustainability in the Expanded Programme on Immunization

### 12:15-13:30 - Lunch

### 13:30-15:00 – Roundtable

### Lessons and Prospects: Directions in the History and Politics of Influenza

- **Virginia Berridge (London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine)**
- **Tamara Giles-Vernick (Institut Pasteur)**
- **Susan Craddock (University of Minnesota)**

### 15:00-15:30 – Conference Closing