GLOBAL HEALTH HISTORIES SEMINARS

Malaria Treatment and Control:

A Cultural History of Institutions, Methods, and Metaphors



Prof. Peter Brown

After a summer break, the Global Health Histories seminar series returns to examine further the lessons learned from the history of tropical diseases and their implications for current health policy. This latest seminar focuses on malaria, a disease that has defied a global eradication programme and continues to resist countless major public health interventions. Professor Peter Brown uses an anthropological approach that emphasizes the historical context of cultural beliefs and values shaping malaria control policies. He considers the role of institutions , including the WHO, in defining the problem of malaria and the technologies of appropriate solutions.

Peter Brown is a professor of Anthropology and Global Health at Emory University, Atlanta, Georgia, USA. His work has focused on the historical relationship of malaria, malaria control and culture. He serves on the scientific advisory board for TDR projects on home management of malaria.

In a response to his presentation, Professor Brown will be joined in this seminar by co-speaker Dr Andrea Bosman, a medical expert on the disease. Dr Bosman is a senior member of the WHO Global Malaria Programme in Geneva.

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