



Epidemics, space & inequality – past and present

Monday, November 21th, 2022 – 12:30 to 17:30

In person: Irchel Campus, Winterthurerstr. 190, University of Zurich, Room Y10-G-03/04, <https://bit.ly/3OgdHrH>

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Aim: This symposium brings together two groups conducting research on similar topics in **Switzerland** (<https://www.iem.uzh.ch/en/pastpandemics.html>) & **Belgium** (<https://www.epibel.be>). The symposium is **interdisciplinary** and brings together demographers, geographers, epidemiologists and historians. Thematically, contributions were selected in which **inequality, spatial analyses and geovisualisation** play a role.

- 12:30 – 12:40 PD Dr. **Kaspar Staub** (Institute of Evolutionary Medicine, University of Zurich): “Welcoming words.”
- 12:40 – 13:10 Dr. **Jord Hanus** (Centre for Urban History, University of Antwerp): “Social gradient and spatiotemporal reconstruction of the cholera epidemic of 1866 in Belgian cities (Brussels, Malines and Antwerp).”
- 13:10 – 13:40 BSc **Inga Birkhölzer** (Department of Geography, University of Zurich): “Reconstructing the 1855 Cholera Outbreak in Basel using Geographic Information Visualisation.”
- 13:40 – 14:10 Prof. Dr. **Isabelle Devos** (Quetelet Center for Quantitative Historical Research, Ghent University): “Social gradients in flu-related mortality during the 1918-19 pandemic in Antwerp and Chatelet.”
- 14:10 – 14:30 Short break
- 14:30 – 15:00 Dr. **Joël Floris** (Department of History, University of Zurich): “Spatial-temporal patterns in influenza incidence among Bernese municipalities, 1918-1925.”
- 15:00 – 15:20 Prof. Dr. **Sara Fabrikant** (Geographic Information Visualization and Analysis, Department of Geography, University of Zurich): “Geovisual analytics of health data: Opportunities and hurdles in space and time.”
- 15:20 – 15:50 Dr. **Yoann Doignon** (DEMOS – Centre de Recherche en Démographie, Université de Louvain & Université de Strasbourg): “Regional differences in excess mortality in Belgium during the first and second COVID-19 waves.”
- 15:50 – 16:10 Short break
- 16:10 – 16:50 Dr. **Katarina Matthes** (Institute of Evolutionary Medicine, University of Zurich): “Excess mortality in Swiss districts 1890, 1918 and 2020.”
- 16:50 – 17:30 Prof. Dr. **Tim Soens** (Antwerp Interdisciplinary Platform for Research into Inequality, University of Antwerp): “Epidemics and inequality in Belgium, 15th century to present.” (Keynote of the Symposium and IEM Seminar Talk)
- 17:30 Apéro