Cold War Indigeneity in Science and Medicine
3-4 September 2015 | Medical Historical Library, 333 Cedar Street, Yale University

Thursday, September 3

9:00 to 9:15  Welcome (Joanna Radin, Ned Blackhawk, and Ricardo Ventura Santos)

PLENARY SESSION: BETWEEN HISTORY OF SCIENCE AND INDIGENOUS STUDIES

9:15 to 9:45  Vulnerable bodies: The technical marks of the Cold War
Susan Lindee, University of Pennsylvania

9:45 to 10:15  Combatting Colonial Technoscience—Lessons from the Frontlines
Kim TallBear, University of Alberta

10:15 to 10:30  Coffee

SESSION 1: ATOMIC FALLOUT

10:30 to 12:45  Chair and Commentator
David Jones, Harvard University

Contesting Isolation and Empty Space: Demography and Indigeneity in the Pacific Islands during the Cold War
Sandra Widmer, York University

Casting Value/Valuing Caste: Ritual Endogamy and the Genetic Hazards of Radiation
Projit Mukharji, University of Pennsylvania

Toxic Settler Colonialism: Atmospheric Affects in the Mojave
Kristen Simmons, University of Chicago

12:45 to 1:45  Lunch
SESSION 2: DIPLOMACY AND DEVELOPMENT

1:45 to 4:00   Chair and Commentator
              Christian McMillen, University of Virginia

Cold War Technoscience, Soviet Orientalism, and Post/Coloniality in Kazakhstan
Susanne Bauer, Goethe University Frankfurt am Main

Melting the Ice Curtain: Indigeneity and the Alaska-Siberia Medical Research Program, 1983-1989
Tess Lanzarotta, Yale University

Testing Indians, Diagnosing Change: Experimental Systems and Modernization in Cold War Peru, 1951-1966
Jason Pribilsky, Whitman College

4:00 to 4:30   Coffee

DISTINGUISHED ALUMNI PUBLIC LECTURE

4:30 to 6:00   Run in My Moccasins This Morning: My Journey as A Navajo Physician in Creating Healthier Environments For Native Communities
               Dr. Patricia Nez Henderson
               Vice President, Black Hills Center for American Indian Health
               and 2010 Henry Roe Cloud Alumni Award Recipient

6:30 to 8:00   Dinner at Yale Native American Cultural Center, 26 High Street

Friday, September 4

9:00 to 9:15   “Field notes” from the previous day
               Hi’ilei Hobart, New York University
               Adrianna Link, Johns Hopkins University

SESSION 3: BODIES OF KNOWLEDGE

9:15 to 10:45  Chair and Commentator
               Ann Kakaliouras, Whittier College

“Why did they die?”: Debates on the causes of high mortality in Amazonian indigenous populations in Cold War Brazil
Ricardo Ventura Santos, FIOCRUZ
“Life Given Straight from the Heart”: Indigeneity, Race, and Public Health in Hawai‘i
Juliet Nebolon, Yale University

10:45 to 11:00 Coffee

SESSION 4: PUBLIC HEALTH AND POST/coloniality

11:00 to 12:30 Chair and Commentator
Yin Paradies, Deakin University

“An indictment of this country”: Aboriginal Health at the Center of Medical Research and Indigenous Political Activism in Cold War Australia
Maria John, Columbia University

“Pathfinders for Health”? Diabetes and the Co-Construction of Health Knowledge in Cold War North America
Matthew Klingle, Bowdoin College

12:30 to 1:30 Lunch

SESSION 5: EPISTEMOLOGIES IN ACTION

1:30 to 3:45 Chair and Commentator
Joanna Radin, Yale University

The reservation as population laboratory: Experimenting with biomedical information technologies in the Papago Nation, 1968-1978
Jeremy Greene, Johns Hopkins University

Human Biology and Aboriginal studies in 1960s Australia
Emma Kowal, Deakin University

Identifying Genocide: Cold-war Terror, Forensics, and the Indigenous body in Argentina and Guatemala
Lindsay A. Smith, University of New Mexico

3:45 to 4:00 Coffee

4:00 to 4:15 “Field notes” from today
Hi‘ilei Hobart and Adrianna Link

CONCLUDING ROUNDTABLE: REFLECTIONS AND PROJECTIONS

4:15 to 5:00 Joanna Radin, Ned Blackhawk, Ricardo Ventura Santos, Susan Lindee, Kim TallBear