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EASST 2018 Conference

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The EASST conference was held in Lancaster UK from 25-28th July 2018. For more information please visit: <http://easst.net/easst-2018/>

Panel: Promissory encounters? Exploring innovations at the intersection of reproduction and genetics from a feminist STS perspective

Convened by:

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This panel explored the practices and politics of 'innovation' at the intersection of reproduction and genetics through the lens of a feminist STS perspective. It asks how scientific breakthroughs in both fields (re)produce and/or subvert hierarchies of difference and associated inequalities.

Visualising Reproduction in Medical, Social and Historical Contexts: An Interdisciplinary Inquiry

The one day conference, led by [Beatriz Pichel](#) and [Professor Nicky Hudson](#), De Montfort University was held on 4th June 2018. The conference brought together an interdisciplinary group to explore the social and scientific impact of the making and circulation of both biomedical and lay images of reproduction in contemporary and historical contexts, and inform future funding applications. The research was funded by De Montfort University's Revolving Investment Fund.

A full program is available [here](#).

East Midlands Medical Sociology Group Winter Event

On Wednesday Friday 15th December 2017, the Centre for Reproduction Research in collaboration with the East Midlands Medical Sociology Group hosted a conference funded by the British Sociological Association.

This conference included a keynote lecture from [Professor Jon Gabe](#), Professor of Sociology, Royal Holloway University of London 'Making sense of childhood asthma', and two presentations from [Kerry Quincey](#), De Montfort University 'Exploring shifting masculinities amongst men diagnosed with breast cancer' and [Charlotte Overton](#) and [Dr Fiona Moffatt](#), University of Nottingham 'The value of emotional labour and confessional tales in routine ethnographies'.

Further information about this conference can be found by accessing the [event programme](#) which contains an abstract as well as contact details of the presenter.

Twenty people attended the event. Delegates were a mixture of students, university and NHS researchers and clinicians from across the Midlands.

The meetings are open to both BSA and non BSA members. Details of our forthcoming meetings and booking instructions will be available via the [BSA](#) and [CRR](#) websites. A small charge may be levied for attendance at meetings. However, BSA members and students will be charged a discounted fee. If you wish to be put on our mailing list so that you can be advised of future events please contact [Jessica Turner](#) (or tel: 0116 207 8306).