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Exploring Jewish History by Genetic Research – an Introduction to a Growing Trend

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Lately, publications on the genetic make-up of the Jewish people drew much attention in their contribution to our understanding of Jewish History. I would like to show the potential of Genetics as a tool for Historians by introducing two of these important studies and propound my own approach which merges Genetics and History in the study *"Investigating the network of Ashkenazi Jewish family names in an integrative historical, genealogical and population genetics study"*.

Monday, December 5th, 2011 Building 39 (Biology), Room 106 (de Picciotto conference room), 16:15 to 18:15.

Coffee & Refreshments will be available at 16:00

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