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The Jacques Loeb Centre for the History and Philosophy of the Life Sciences

Passion, Preconceived Ideas, and Progress in Modern Biology

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Passion and preconceived ideas have usually been considered impediments for scientific progress. Looking into the history of microbiology, biochemistry, and genetics, I will show that under certain conditions, they can even be prerequisites for fruitful research.

Monday, January 9th, 2012

Building 39 (Biology),

Room 106 (de Picciotto conference room),

16:15 to 17:45.

Coffee & Refreshments will be available at 16:00

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About the Seminars:

The Jacques Loeb Centre seminars provide an interdisciplinary forum, in which historians and philosophers of science, as well as scientists, present and discuss new research related to science with a special focus on the life sciences. Case studies and surveys examine the impact of political, socio-economic and personal factors on the conduct of science, the ethics of research, and the causes of progress and setbacks. **Faculty and students from all disciplines are invited!**