

Welcome to Issue 3 of the AnNex Newsletter

Once again, we were really pleased by the response to our summer newsletter and are delighted to welcome so many new subscribers to this latest set of updates about the Animal Research Nexus. May we take this opportunity to wish all friends, colleagues and collaborators a very happy Christmas and prosperous New Year



Experiments

For this issue, we have chosen to focus on the topic of experiments. In relation to animal research, this word might evoke images of white-coated scientists inside a lab. But is this accurate? Where else are experiments conducted and what other forms do they take?

It could be argued that the implementation of A(SP)A is in itself an ongoing 'experiment' for nexus actors, for example for society, science & policy. In addition,

traditional views of who the scientist actually is and where they conduct their 'experiments' can be challenged, as veterinarians and citizen scientists are also involved. Finally, researchers involved in Annex are also conducting their own kinds of research experiments, in terms of how data is collected and analysed.

These are some of the key questions that we are exploring in the Nexus project and we hope this issue of the newsletter will highlight some of our activities so far.

Research News in this Issue

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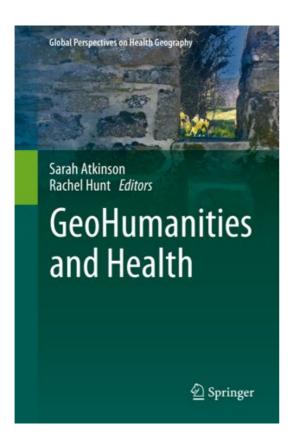
Out in the Field

A(SP)A strictly regulates work in laboratories, but what about research that goes on in places other than licensed establishments (POLEs), ie in 'the field? Members of the team recently held a workshop in Oxford to consider all angles.

Read Ally's Blog

Summary Notes





Which Patient takes Centre Stage?

Gail, Rich and Bentley gives us a taste of their co-authored forthcoming book chapter on the patient's voice in animal research, which will form part of the Global Perspectives on Health Geography book series (GPHG)

Read the Abstract



Emotions, Relations and Temporailty



Openness & Transparency beyond the UK

The issues around openness, transparency and public engagement are being discussed far wider than just the UK. Together with experts and academics from around the world, Pru Hobson-West considers the international view.

Read the Paper



Personal Experiences

Annex members in Nottingham also organised a workshop looking at an experimental research methodology, namely the Mass Observation Project: a unique repository of rich textual accounts which span the breadth of 'everyday life'.

You can build to influence, build for exploration, but what you cannot do is build a person-centric experience and pre-define what that experience shall be. Bentley Crudgington considers AnNex's latest partnership with The Lab Collective.

Read Bentley's Blog

Read the Report

Would you like to Collaborate with Us?

We are currently reviewing our collaborations with a view to formalising and publicising some of our relationships. If you currently work with the AnNex team, or would like to be included on our website, please contact animalresearchnexus@exeter.ac.uk or Gail Davies for further information.







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