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HUMANKIND AND FAT
Attraction, Repulsion, Health and Politics

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PROGRAMME



WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 27th

INTRODUCTION SESSION, 5.30 pm – 6.00 pm (Romanian time) / **7.30 am** San Francisco/ **9.30 am** Kansas/ **7.30 am** Shimla, India/ **7.30 am** Kolkata, India/ **3.30 pm** UK/ **4.30 pm** France / **11. 30 am** Catamarca, Argentina, **9.30 am** Montreal, Canada.

- **Welcome words: Bogdan Timar (Dean of the Faculty of Medicine, "Victor Babes" University of Medicine and Pharmacy, Timisoara, Senior Consultant in Diabetes and Metabolic Diseases "Pius Brinzeu" Emergency Hospital Timisoara)**

18. 10 – 18. 50

- **Honorary Lecture – Keynote Speaker Slobodan Dan Paich (Scientific Director Artship Foundation, San Francisco, Visiting Professor UMFTVB):** *Attempt at Understanding, Widespread Prehistoric Fecundity Symbols*

18. 50 – 19. 00: Discussions

19. 00 – 19.40

- **Honorary Lecture – Keynote Speaker – Christopher E. Forth (Professor of History, Dean's Professor of Humanities, University of Kansas):** *Dieting with Sartre, or, why Fat is an Existential Issue*

Publication highlight:

Christopher E. Forth, *Fat: A Cultural History of the Stuff of Life* (London: Reaktion, 2019)

19.40 – 19.50: Discussions

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 28th

15.00 -17.30 (Romanian Time)

Session I: Fat – Health and Politics

Chairs: Danina Muntean (Department of Functional Sciences - Pathophysiology, Centre for Translational Research and Systems Medicine, "Victor Babeş" University of Medicine and Pharmacy, Timișoara), **Elena Amăricăi** (Department of Rehabilitation, Physical Medicine and Rheumatology, "Victor Babeş" University of Medicine and Pharmacy, Timișoara, Research Center for Assessment of Human Motion, Functionality and Disability) & **Andrei Kozma** (Romanian Academy of Medical Sciences and A.O.S.R)

- **Elena Amăricăi, Liliana Cătan, and Patrick Yikili, Marius Rezumes („Victor Babes” University of Medicine and Pharmacy Timisoara):** *Spinal deviations and obesity in children and adolescents: Is this a concern of nowadays society?*

- **Roxana Ramona Onofrei 1, Ioana Teodora Stanciu 2, Adonis Hoca 2, Elen Amăricăi 1**
(¹Department of Rehabilitation, Physical Medicine and Rheumatology; Research Center for Assessment of Human Motion, Functionality and Disability, „Victor Babes” University of Medicine and Pharmacy Timisoara, Romania, ² student Physical Therapy Program, „Victor Babes” University of Medicine and Pharmacy Timisoara, Romania): *Body Composition Assessment in Young Adults*
- **Sharma Bhumika (Himachal Pradesh University, Shimla, India):** *Health of All Today and Tomorrow: Urgency to Shift to Unprocessed Food Culture*
- **Michaela Nanu (1) , Ioana Nanu(1), Călin Popovici(1), Georgeta Popovici (2), Gabriela Scântee (2),, Marius Ciutan(2), Andrei Kozma (1):** *A New Expertise Centre for PKU and other Metabolic Diseases to be Organised in the National Institute for Mother and Child Health*
(1) Alessandrescu-Rusescu National Institute of Mother (2) Școala Națională de Sănătate Publică, Management și Perfecționare în Domeniul Sanitar București*Correspondence: Sen.res. Ist dgr, Phd, MD Michaela Nanu):
- **Iulian Dîrpeș and Georgiana Drăguț (MD, "Victor Babeș" University of Medicine and Pharmacy, Timișoara):** *Fat - an epidemic that has crept onto the couch of the 21st century. Questions and Answers from very Young Doctors*
- **Danina M Muntean 1, Adrian Sturza 1, Octavian M Crețu 2** (¹Department of Functional Sciences - Pathophysiology, Centre for Translational Research and Systems Medicine, "Victor Babeș" University of Medicine and Pharmacy, Timișoara, Romania² Department of Surgery – Surgical Semiotics I, Centre for Hepato-Biliary and Pancreatic Surgery, “Victor Babeș” University of Medicine and Pharmacy, Timișoara, Romania): *Monoamine Oxidase in Obesity: A coming-of-Age Story*
- **Maria Corina Bacalearos(1), Eftihța Crăciun (2), Viorela Constantin(3), Andrei Kozma(1) (4)** (1) "Alessandrescu-Rusescu" National Institute for Mother and Child Health, Bucharest - Research department in Social Pediatrics and Obstetrics (2) "Titu Maiorescu" University, Bucharest (3) "Alessandrescu-Rusescu" National Institute for Mother and Child Health, Bucharest - Research department (4) member of Romanian Academy of Medical Sciences and A.O.S.R.: *Ways to balance the quality of life in overweight people*

17.30-17.45 Coffee Break

17. 45 – 20. 30 (Romanian Time)

Session II: Attraction—Repulsion: Exposures, What Kind of Strengths and Vulnerabilities?

Chairs: Simona Bealcovschi (University of Montréal, Head of Laboratoire d'anthropologie visuelle-UdeM, Canada, member of the Centre for Applied Linguistics and Cultural Comparative Studies, UMFTVB) & Jose Luis Grosso (Director of the International Research Center PIRKA - Politics, Cultures and Arts of Making. Ordinary Full Professor Exclusive Dedication, Department of Philosophy, National University of Catamarca, Argentina)

- **Anna Walker (Transtech Research University of Plymouth, UK):** *Stuhl mit Fett/ Fat with Chair, 1963-1985, by Joseph Beuys. A discussion*
- **Gudrun-Liane Ittu (Library of the “Lucian Blaga” University, Sibiu) & Constantin Ittu (“Lucian Blaga” University, Sibiu):** *From Trimalcho’s Banquet in Ancient Rome to “Our Daily Bread”, as Spiritual Nourishment, in The New Testament of Bălgrad/Alba Iulia, a Seventeenth Century Book preserved in the Brukenthal Museum Library*
- **Tinni Goswami (Kolkata, India):** *The Fat Women in the Contemporary Indian Society: When beauty ‘does not’ lie in the eyes of the beholder*
- **Dawn Woolley (Leeds Arts University, UK):** *The Quantified Self, Fat Activism and The Ideology of Health*
- **Daniela Șilindean („Victor Babeș” University of Medicine and Pharmacy Timisoara Centre for Applied Linguistics and Cultural Comparative Studies, UMFTVB):** *Fat as a Coping Mechanism. Case study: Roxane Gay and her Hunger, Memoir of (my) Body*

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 29th

15.00 -18.00 (Romanian Time)

Session III: Fat—Cultural Discourses and Body Language. Senses of our Growth

Chairs: Jérôme Thomas (Paul Valéry University, Montpellier, Visiting Professor UMFTVB) & Frédéric Duhart (Sigmund Freud University, Paris, CORPUS General Coordinator)

- **Jérôme Thomas (Paul Valéry University, Montpellier):** *The Fat Body in Europe: an Historical and socio-cultural perspective*
- **Diana Boc-Sînmărghișan (“Victor Babeș” University of Medicine and Pharmacy Timișoara, Centre for Applied Linguistics and Cultural Comparative Studies) & Andreea Urlică (Dragoescu) (USAMVB “King Michael I of Timișoara”):** *“Our Daily Bread” - Proverbs and Phraseological Expressions in Foreign Language Classes*
- **Cosmina Simona Lungoci (Department of Educational Sciences Faculty of Sociology and Psychology, West University of Timișoara):** *On Humankind and Fat in the Romanian Phraseology. Linguistic Perspectives And Cultural Significance*
- **Simona Olaru-Poșiar (“Victor Babeș” University of Medicine and Pharmacy Timișoara, Centre for Applied Linguistics and Cultural Comparative Studies):** *“Mirror, mirror on the wall, who’s the fattest of them all?” Utopic body representations of animated female characters, stereotypes and child psychology*
- **Raluca Cristina Vărășteanu (1) Daniela Stănescu Botan (1) Raluca Dafina Ionuțiu (2) Andrei Kozma (3),(4):** *Body image in overweight children and adolescents*

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- **Michaela Nanu (1) , Ioana Nanu(1), Calin Popovici(1), Georgeta Popovici (2), Gabriela Scantee (2), Marius Ciutan(2), Andrei Kozma (1):** *Psychosocial intervention for malnutrition prevention in infancy - a step for health equity promotion. Study performed in the frame of JAHEE feasible action.*

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- **Ambre Marini-Audouard (Sigmund Freud University, Paris) & Frédéric Duhart (Sigmund Freud University, Paris):** *Opération Grossophobie. Thoughts about Fat Phobia in France*

18.00-18.15 Coffee Break

18.15 – 19. 45

CLOSING SESSION: Celebrating: Bodies - Eating - Knowledge

Chair: Slobodan Dan Paich (Scientific Director Artship Foundation, San Francisco, Visiting Professor UMFTVB)

- **Gabriela-Mariana Luca ("Victor Babeș" University of Medicine and Pharmacy Timișoara, Centre for Applied Linguistics and Cultural Comparative Studies):** *The Body as Bread. A Cultural-Comparative Reading of the Fat/ Bread Marriage*
- **Closing honorary lecture: Hitesh Gautam (Executive Chef Amber India Restaurant, San Francisco, Member of Artship Foundation Associate Scholars Core Group, San Francisco):** *Daily Bread and Beyond*

Book launches:

- **Centre for Applied Linguistics and Cultural Comparative Studies, UMFTV & Artship Foundation, San Francisco:** *Food and Cultural (In)Compatibilities: 12 Points of View* (Cambridge Scholars, 2021 – forthcoming)

19.45 – 20.15

Round table. Discussions. Establishing the conditions for publishing the works selected and presented in the symposium. Closure of works.

This event will be open to interested researchers, students, teachers, artists, journalists, etc. Participation will be free, but advance registration is recommended to ensure efficient distribution of Zoom links and to avoid disappointment.

Zoom room opens at 5.15. (Zoom details will be emailed in advance to participants). Please make sure to log in 15 minutes before the set time out of respect for your fellow peers and to allow for any connectivity issues (if any) to be resolved.

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