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Short presentation

I am a postdoctoral researcher (or postdoc) at Medical Museion and the Novo Nordisk Foundation Centre for Basic Metabolic Research (CBMR) working on a project called *Body Time*. This interdisciplinary project brings together science, culture, history, and philosophy to think about circadian rhythms – the 24-hour cycles which drive our lives. New research by scientists is revealing the mechanisms that govern these rhythms at a cellular level in order to understand how our internal clocks speak with each other. Cutting-edge analysis of the numerous factors governing our body clocks begs profound questions regarding our interaction with the external environment. My role spans and unites the scientific work of CBMR and the creative practice of Museion. I collaborate closely with both the Zierath and Gerhart-Hines groups at the Center.

I am particularly interested in the intersection of circadian cycles of sleep and diet on discourses of what it means to be human in a 'modern world', starting as early as the 19th century. We intend for this project to involve curatorial work – engaging the public with the relevance of circadian rhythms in their own lives through objects, art and digital media. I am also interested in how we can bring the 'museum experience' to unexpected places and developing communication tools for translating contemporary circadian science to public audiences.

Qualifications

Geography, PhD, Queen Mary, University of London
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Employment

Centre for Medical Science and Technology Studies

1 Oct 2019 → nu

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København K, Denmark
30 Sep 2019 → nu

Body Time

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Metabolic Science in Culture
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19 Sep 2022 → 2 Jan 2023

Reviews Editor

1 Jan 2021 → nu

Research outputs

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