Paper 11

Early Medicine

You should answer three questions. All questions carry equal weighting.

Begin each answer on a separate sheet.

Write legibly and on only one side of the paper.

Answers must be tied up in separate bundles, marked 1, 2, 3, etc. according to the number of the question.

Attach a completed coversheet to each bundle and complete a master coversheet listing all questions attempted. It is essential that you write your examination number and not your name on the coversheet and on each bundle.

You may not start to read the questions printed on the subsequent pages of this question paper until instructed to do so by the invigilator.
1. Whom would a well-to-do patient consult for a cure in the early modern period?

2. How did the Ancient tradition shape the development of medicine?

3. Was blood-letting the most effective treatment in medieval medicine?

4. How was knowledge exchanged between Chinese and non-Chinese medical practitioners between 1300 and 1700?

5. How important was money in early modern medical encounters?

6. Why did alchemists keep their medical knowledge secret?

7. Why did Old World drugs remain so important in European medical practice after 1492?

8. Was there a one-sex model in early modern Europe?

9. If hospitals were disciplinary spaces in early modern Europe, they were not necessarily so from a medical standpoint. Discuss.

10. Were images useful for the study of Renaissance anatomy?

11. What was the significance of chemistry for the practice of medicine in the seventeenth and eighteenth centuries?

12. How do archival sources shape historians’ interpretations of the history of medicine?

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