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## Sites of Science, Scenes of Violence: Anatomy and the Nazi Past in Public Memory

Invitation:  
**22 September 2025**

**Venue: Institute of Anatomy, Lecture Hall, Chałubińskiego 6a**

9.00

Opening

Welcome

Kamila Uzarczyk

Opening remarks

prof. dr hab. Piotr Ponikowski, Rector of Medical University of Wrocław

prof. dr hab. Marzena Dominiak, Vice-Rector for Internationalization, UMW

prof. dr hab. Bartosz Kempisty, Head of Division of Anatomy, Chair of Human Morphology and Embryology, UMW

9.30 – 10.30

Sabine Hildebrandt – "From Routine to Murder – Anatomy in Nazi Germany and its Relevance Today"

Herwig Czech – "Victims on the Dissection Table: Anatomy in Innsbruck, Graz and Vienna during the Nazi Regime"

Kamila Uzarczyk – „'Leiche – zur Anatomie' From Guillotine to the Dissection Table/Anatomical Institute in Breslau"

10.30 – 10.45

Coffee break

10.45 – 11.45

Roundtable discussion: "Anatomy under National Socialism: Interdisciplinary Reflections on a Difficult Legacy"

Moderator:

Katarzyna Siekaniec (Medical University of Wrocław, Department of Humanities and Social Sciences in Medicine)

Discussion participants: Sabine Hildebrandt (Boston Children's Hospital, Harvard Medical School), Herwig Czech

(Medical University of Vienna, Institute for Ethics, Collections and History of Medicine (Josephinum), Agnieszka

Jabłońska (Urban Memory Foundation) Kamila Uzarczyk (Medical University of Wrocław, Department of Humanities

and Social Sciences in Medicine), Zygmunt Domagała (Medical University of Wrocław, Division of Anatomy, Chair of

Human Morphology and Embryology), Bartosz Roś (Medical University of Wrocław, Division of Anatomy, Chair of

Human Morphology and Embryology)

12.00 – 13.00

Lunch

13.15 – 14.15

Guided tour Museum of Anatomy - prof. Marek Syrycki

14.30 – 15.00

Sabine Hildebrandt – The Lancet Commission on Medicine, Nazism and the Holocaust: Historical Evidence, Implications for Today, Teaching for Tomorrow – presentation of the project

Wioletta Samborska - "Between memory and innovation: The Medical Discovery Centre at Wrocław Medical University"

Closing remarks

Session organizers: Department of Humanities and Social Sciences in Medicine and Division of Anatomy, Chair of Human Morphology and Embryology