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CENTENARY SYMPOSIUM

WHAT MAKES US HUMAN?

To be held in the Darwin Lecture Theatre at
University College London
Gower Street, London WC1E 6BY
on
7th and 8th November, 2007

**Admission is free, *but strictly by ticket*, available from:
The General Secretary, The Galton Institute
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WEDNESDAY 7th NOVEMBER, 2007

9.45am Welcome and introduction

Morning Session: Chair: Professor Sir David Weatherall

10.00am **Is Man just another animal?: the view from the genes**
Professor Steve Jones

10.50am Coffee Break

11.20am **What Makes us human, and different from all other animals, namely causal beliefs**
Professor Lewis Wolpert

12.10pm **Genetics and the Mind**
Professor Robert Plomin

1.00pm Lunch Break

Afternoon Session: Chair: Professor Steve Jones

2.30pm **Darwinian selection, rerogenetics, and the future of the human species**
Professor Lee M Silver

3.20pm Tea

3.50pm **THE CENTENARY GALTON LECTURE 2007**
Genetics and World Health:
Future Opportunities and New Ethical Issues
Professor Sir David Weatherall

4.50pm **Presentation:** Professor Steve Jones

THURSDAY, 8th NOVEMBER, 2007

9.30am **Welcome**

Morning Session: Chair: Professor David Galton

9.35am **From Eugenics to Epigenetics: Exploring the Decoupling
of Human Sexual and Reproductive Behaviours**
Professor John Hobcraft

10.25am **Coffee Break**

10.55am **Genetics and Language**
Professor Fareneh Vargha-Khadem

11.35am **Molecular Windows into Speech and Language**
Dr Simon E. Fisher

12.15pm **Should we stay human?**
Professor John Harris

1.05pm **Lunch Break**

Afternoon Session: Chair: Professor John Beardmore

2.35pm **Eugenics – then and now**
Professor David Galton

3.25pm **Tea**

3.55pm **Legal rights of the embryo – a European Perspective**
Professor Reinhard Merkel

4.45pm **Closing remarks**

Speakers and Chairmen

Professor John Beardmore	School of Medicine, Swansea University The Galton Institute
Dr Simon E Fisher	Wellcome Trust Centre for Human Genetics, Oxford
Professor David Galton	Wolfson Institute of Preventive Medicine/The Galton Institute
Professor John Hobcraft	Department of Social Policy and Social Work, University of York
Professor John Harris	School of Law, Manchester University
Professor Steve Jones	University College London/ The Galton Institute
Professor Reinhard Merkel	Faculty of Law University of Hamburg
Professor Robert Plomin	Institute of Psychiatry, Kings College London
Professor Lee M Silver	Woodrow Wilson School of Public and International Affairs, Princeton University
Professor Faraneh Vargha-Khadem	Institute of Child Health, University College London
Professor Sir David Weatherall	Weatherall Institute of Molecular Medicine, Oxford
Professor Lewis Wolpert	University College London

Conference organisers:
Professor John Beardmore
Professor David Galton
Professor Steve Jones