

# STS Circle at Harvard

Fall 2020

All meetings will take place from **12:15–1:30 p.m.** (US Eastern) on **Mondays**, remotely via **Zoom**. For the link to a talk, please **RSVP online** by noon the previous Friday.

To RSVP or find more information, please visit:  
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Sep 14 **Matthew Sample** (STS, Harvard)  
*Imagining Responsibility, Imagining Responsibly:  
Reflecting on Our Shared Understandings of Science*

Sep 21 **Janet A. Vertesi** (Sociology, Princeton)  
*Shaping Science: Organizations, Cultures,  
and Decision-Making on NASA's Teams*

Sep 28 **Whitney E. Laemmler** (History, Carnegie Mellon)  
*"Alien Gesticulations": Movement Science in Germany, 1928-1936*

Oct 5 **Andre Uhl** (Visual Studies, Harvard)  
*Shifting Baselines—Artificial Intelligence  
and the Ethical Singularity*

Oct 19 **Noah Walker-Crawford** (Social Anthropology, University of Manchester)  
*The Politics of Personhood in Climate Change Litigation*

Oct 26 **Meg Perret** (History of Science, Harvard)  
*"Climate Change Creates Female Super-Race": Male  
Extinction, Endangered Turtles & Coral Reef Collapse*

Nov 2 **Ben Hurlbut** (Center for Biology and Society, ASU)  
*Can't Stop Progress: Inevitability as Authorization in  
the Politics of Genome Editing*

Nov 9 **Noelle Eckley Selin** (MIT) and **Henrik Selin** (Boston University)  
*Mercury Stories: An Interdisciplinary Approach to Analyzing  
Sustainability Challenges*

Nov 10 (Tue) **Science and Democracy Lecture Series**  
**Neil Walker** (Edinburgh Law School)  
*The Crisis of Constitutional Democracy in  
Pandemic Times*  
4:30-6:30pm

Nov 16 **JoAnne Yates** (MIT) and **Craig Murphy** (Wellesley)  
*Where Standards and Regulations Meet: Referring to  
Standards in US and European Regulation Since 1945*

Nov 23 **Daniel Hirschman** (Sociology, Brown)  
*The Costs of Climate Change*

Nov 30 **Jayita Sarkar** (Diplomatic History, Boston University)  
*Ploughshares and Swords: Technopolitics and  
Geopolitics in India's Nuclear Program*

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Background: Colorized scanning electron micrograph of an apoptotic cell heavily infected with SARS-CoV-2 virus particles (green), isolated from a patient sample. Credit: National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases/NIH.