Contributors

Rikke Sand Andersen is professor of medical anthropology at Department of Anthropology, University of Aarhus and Research Unit for General Practice, University of Southern Denmark. Andersen is former editor-in-chief of the medical anthropology journal *Tidsskrift for Forskning i Sygdom og Samfund*, she has written extensively on cancer, family medicine, and care seeking. She recently co-edited *Cancer Entangled, Acceleration, Anticipation and the Danish State*. Currently, her main interest is to further our understanding of "solo living" as an integrated part of human experimentation with being in the world, and its implications for care politics, inter-generational relations and welfare.

Thierry Buclin is a physician and an honorary professor in Pharmacology at Lausanne University, Faculty of Biology and Medicine. He served as the chief of the Division of Clinical Pharmacology at University Hospital (CHUV) for over twelve years. With a specialization in clinical pharmacology and toxicology, he has a hospital-academic background. Committed to creative, independent, and critical research, he focuses on effective, rational, appropriate, safe, monitored, and cost-effective drug prescribing. He has collaborated with social anthropologists for several years.

Sangeeta Chattoo is a medical anthropologist and a Senior Research Fellow, department of Sociology, at the University of York (UK). Her research and scholarship focus on medical knowledge and practice; inequalities and health, race, ethnicity and citizenship; genetic disorders, gender and caring. She has worked extensively on health and citizenship issues of minoritised ethnic communities in the UK and India. She is an editor for *Frontiers* (Medical Sociology) and is currently co-editing *Handbook on Racism, Ethnicity and Health* (with Hannah Bradby, Edward Elgar Press). Two of her recent articles are in *Anthropology & Medicine* and *Politics & Policy*.

Rachel Démolis is a medical anthropologist, research fellow and principal investigator at HESAV (University of Applied Sciences of Western Switzerland, HES-SO). She began her career in the field of religious anthropology and later developed re-

https://doi.org/10.14361/9783839467626-015 https://www.inlibra.com/de/page/agb - Open Access - (cc) BY-SA

search in medical anthropology. Her PhD focused on the dynamics of medication observance and resistance among polymedicated patients over 65 in the Vaud canton, Switzerland, and she conducted ethnographic fieldwork in a pain clinic. She currently leads a study that explores nurses' COVID-19 vaccine hesitancy and resistance logics in Western Switzerland and co-leads a study on existential and spiritual care among elderly individuals receiving home care.

Rose-Anna Foley is a medical anthropologist and associate professor at HESAV (University of Applied Sciences of Western Switzerland, HES-SO). Her research focuses on cancer, comorbidities, and drugs such as chemotherapy and morphine, in a "social lives of medicine" perspective. She collaborates with researchers from diverse domains, including physiotherapists, pharmacists, and doctors. She is the supervising researcher of the project discussed in this book, examining aging individuals living with polymedication and their relationships with their pharmacists. Additionally, she currently leads a study that focusses on the experiential knowledge and long-term trajectories of people aged 70+ living with cancer.

Sylvie Fortin is Professor at the Department of Anthropology (and Pediatrics) at the Université de Montréal. Her work centers on the challenges of clinical practice today, namely diversity, religious pluralism, and gender issues in hospital and community health settings as well as the moral and normative concerns entailed by decision-making and the withdrawal of active treatment at various life stages (from newborns to the elderly) for healthcare providers, patients, and their families. More recently, she explores how diversity issues intersect with death and dying experiences. She has edited several anthropological and social sciences journal issues on these themes as well as an upcoming book (Université de Montréal Press).

Bernhard Hadolt, a social anthropologist of medicine, is a Senior Lecturer and Director of Studies at the Department of Social and Cultural Anthropology at the University of Vienna. He carried out research in Austria, Japan, and the Philippines on various topics revolving around social practices, social transformation, and policy making in the fields of assisted reproductive technology, genetic testing, vaccination and blood donation. His recent research focussed on the marketing and implementation of HPV-vaccines in health care systems and tissue economies in relation to blood donation.

Anna Heitger is a social anthropologist and currently a doctoral candidate at Humboldt University Berlin at the Institute of European Ethnology and IRI THESys. She is part of the research group *Laboratory: Anthropology of Environment|Human Relations* since 2019. After a two-year research on self-tracking technologies and emerging practices in usage and design (Vienna and Berlin), for her PhD she has conducted an

https://doi.org/10.14361/9783839467626-015 https://www.inlibra.com/de/page/agb - Open Access - (cc) BY-SA

ethnographic study of (future) eating practices as critical human-environment relation in different urban field sites across Berlin. Ongoing research interests include ontological uncertainties, entanglements of geo- and biopolitics, as well as reconfigurations of more-than-human agency in the Anthropocene.

Elisabeth Hsu is Professor of Anthropology at the School of Anthropology and Museum Ethnography of the University of Oxford. Hsu's research interests lie within the fields of medical anthropology and ethnobotany, language and text critical studies. They concern Chinese medicine in cross-cultural perspective; the body and body techniques, movements and skills; pulse diagnosis, culinary technology and, specifically, *qinghao* recipes; touch, pain, affect and atmosphere; feelings, emotions, and sensory experience.

Sabrina Lessard is an institutional researcher at the Centre for research and expertise in social gerontology (CREGES) and an adjunct professor at Department of Anthropology, Université de Montréal, Canada. Her work focuses on death and dying in geriatric institutions by exploring how "life worth living" is socially constructed and the consequences of this construction on people's experiences of life and death in institutions. Her interests also focus on the diversity of aging experiences and how institutions (hospital, long-term care homes, collective housing) shape them.

Lina Masana is a medical anthropologist and senior independent researcher. She is a member of the Medical Anthropology Research Centre (MARC) at the University Rovira i Virgili (URV) and teaches at the University of Barcelona (UB) and ISGlobal (Institute for Global Health Barcelona). Masana has worked extensively on the experience and management of chronic illnesses (chronicity) and related topics such as disability, dependency, public policies, and global health. She specializes in ethnographic methods, qualitative applied health research and analysis of illness narratives. Her last co-edited volume was *Subjectivities and Afflictions in Medical Anthropology*.

Antonia Modelhart, a medical anthropologist, currently is a PhD student at the Faculty of Social Sciences and a researcher at the Department of Political Science at the University of Vienna. She works as a researcher in various research projects on health systems, politics and policies, focusing on topics such as antimicrobial resistance, rare diseases and genetic testing. Since her work on oocytes and egg freezing as part of her master's thesis, she has been interested in the sociomateriality of biological substances and entities. Currently, she explores microbes beyond their pathogenic potential and engages in debates on the gut (microbiome) in conversation with affective structures and gut feelings.

https://doi.org/10.14361/9783839467626-015 https://www.inlibra.com/de/page/agb - Open Access - (cc) BY-SA

Nina Nissen is an independent medical anthropologist; she holds a visiting researcher position at the Centre for General Practice, University of Copenhagen, and was previously an associate professor of medical anthropology at the Department of Public Health, University of Southern Denmark. She is interested in how people negotiate the often competing demands of everyday life and the challenges of living with the uncertainties of diagnosis, fluctuating health condition(s) and wellbeing, as well as in how people assemble and mobilise care practices for themselves and for human and non-human others. She is currently exploring the materiality of feminist archives in Berlin, Germany, as sites of care, memory work and creativity.

Stefan Reinsch is a medical doctor and anthropologist working as postdoctoral researcher at Brandenburg Medical School – Theodor Fontane, Neuruppin, Germany, while at the same time completing his residency in paediatrics. Reinsch is a board member of the German *Working Group Anthropology and Medicine* (AGEM). He conducts ethnographic research along the life-course of people with cystic fibrosis and has written on decision-making about prenatal genetic diagnosis and waiting for organ transplantation in advanced illness. He recently started two projects about the experiences of overweight people and their physicians in remote rural areas, and the professional identity formation of tomorrow's doctors.

Mette Bech Risør is professor of medical anthropology, Center for General Practice, University of Copenhagen and the General Practice Research Unit, UiT The Arctic University of Norway. Risør has done research primarily within the field of care-seeking and clinical encounters with a special interest in sensorial anthropology and the configuration of symptoms and diagnoses, often with a focus on contested disorders. She is a member of the editorial board of the medical anthropology journal *Tidsskrift for Forskning i Sygdom og Samfund*, also former editor-in-chief. Currently, she is engaged with exploring fatigue as an existential phenomenon across life and illness courses.

Andrea Stöckl is a medical anthropologist, who, after working for 20 years in academia, is now a practicing psychotherapist (Existential Analysis) in Innsbruck, Austria. She earned a PhD at the University of Cambridge in 2001 and has been a lecturer at the Norwich Medical School at the University of East Anglia until 2021. She has done research on the role of diagnosis in current medical practice, on the conceptualisation of mind-body in autoimmune disorders, and on the relationship between professional carers and disabled people. Her current area of interest remains the relationship between culture and mental health.

Sjaak van der Geest is emeritus professor of Medical Anthropology at the University of Amsterdam, The Netherlands. He has done fieldwork in Ghana, Cameroon and

https://doi.org/10.14361/9783839467626-015 https://www.inlibra.com/de/page/agb - Open Access - (cc) BY-SA

at home on a variety of subjects including kinship, sexual relationships and birth control, the use and distribution of medicines, dying, death and funeral, popular song texts, meanings of growing old, sleeping, concepts of dirt and defecation, and cultural variety in privacy experience. See further: www.sjaakvandergeest.nl.

https://doi.org/10.14361/9783839467626-015 https://www.inlibra.com/de/page/agb - Open Access - (cc) BY-SA

https://doi.org/10.14361/9783839467626-015 https://www.inlibra.com/de/page/agb - Open Access - (cc) BY-SA