All meetings will take place on Mondays, from 12:15—2 p.m., in Room 100F, Pierce Hall, 29 Oxford Street, unless otherwise noted. Sandwich lunches will be provided.

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Sep 8  Aaron Mauck (Harvard, History of Science)  
Social Molecules: Biomarkers and the New Data Imaginary in Social Science Research

Sep 15  David Lazer (Northeastern, Political Science)  
Computational Social Science: The Use of “Big Data” to Study Human Behavior

Sep 22  Angie Boyce (Harvard, Robert Wood Johnson Fellow)  
Chicken, Egg, or Cook? Foodborne Salmonellosis and Distributed Responsibility

Sep 29  Benjamin Morris (MIT, Catalyst Collaborative)  
Science/Fiction: Dramatic Arts as a Medium for Translating Science

Oct 6  Kristen Loveland (Harvard, History)  
The Biopolitics of Human Dignity: Balancing Bodies and Rights in the German PGD Debates, 2000-2003

Oct 20  Venkatesh Narayanamurti (Harvard, SEAS)  
Bridging the Basic-Applied Dichotomy and the Cycle of Discovery and Invention

Oct 27  Zoe Nyssa (Harvard, HUCE/STS Fellow)  
Ecologies of Paradox: A Typology of Scientific Surprise in the Anthropocene

Nov 3  Richard Rottenburg (University of Halle, Anthropology)  
Emerging “Global Health” Institutions in Africa: Technologies and Significations

Nov 6 (Thurs)  Science & Democracy Lecture Series

Martin Rees (The Lord Rees of Ludlow)  
Catastrophic Risks: The Downsides of Advancing Technology  
Location and Time TBA

Nov 10  Naor Ben-Yehoyada (Harvard, Center for Middle Eastern Studies)  
“I Can Feel the Mafia But I Can’t See It”: An Anthropology of Forensic Knowledge

Nov 17  Heather Paxson (MIT, Anthropology)  
Regulating Microbial Ecologies: Policy and Practice in Artisanal Cheesemaking

Nov 24  Canay Özden-Schilling (MIT, HASTS)  
Economics Inside the Grid: Smart Grids, Power Systems Engineering, and Emergent Markets

Dec 1  Zara Mirmalek (Harvard, STS)  
Democracy and the Deep-Sea: Telepresence and Public Participation in Remote Environments

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