

Letter from the Editors

Dear Reader,

It is with great pleasure that we present Volume 12, Number 2 of *Intersect*, the second issue of the 2018–2019 academic year. In this issue, we continue to explore the diversity of work and research within STS, bringing up questions that we hope pique your curiosity and expand your understanding of the benefits and concerns of new technologies and the importance of policy around the world. One of our research pieces investigates how science has been historically used to justify the denial of rights and resources to minorities in democratic societies. Another delves into the smallpox immunization campaign's various dimensions, which range from microbiological to legal to bioethical. One of our comments also focuses on healthcare, more specifically about cancer outcome disparities in African American communities. The other comment explores eating disorders in female athletes. Our interview with Dr. Elizabeth Ponder, Associate Director of Stanford ChEM-H, focuses on both the history and future of ChEM-H.

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