

## **EUGENICS, ‘RACIAL SCIENCE’ AND HUMAN GENETICS**

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What has the relationship been between the scientific study of race and racism? Has “racial science” always meant “scientific racism”?

In order to answer these questions, this contribution will survey three topical moments which structured the international debate on science and race during the twentieth century: the publication of the Geneticists’ Manifesto in 1939; the negotiation of several UNESCO Statements on Race in the 1950s and 1960s; the IQ debate in the 1960s and 1970s.