

Talking About Sex: what sport has done with it

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A presentation by:

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The presentation takes a close and critical look at the history and practice of gender verification used by the International Olympic Committee to test athletes entered in women's events. Addressed will be issues such as a) bifurcated sport, b) scientific practice gone wrong, c) equality issues - why test only the women and d) update on varieties of sex and what the IOC has done with this challenge.



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