Dear colleagues,

Welcome to the 7th issue of the *Science, Health, and Policy-Relevant Ethics in Singapore (SHAPES)* bi-monthly newsletter, and the 1st issue for the year of 2021. SHAPES has had an exciting and busy start to the year, having hosted two *Ethics Framework for Big Data in Health and Research* workshops and a webinar on *Singaporean Perspectives on Actual and Ideal IRB Review Functions and Characteristics*.

We are delighted to welcome to the SHAPES team, Capucine Barcellona, our new Research Assistant. Welcome, Capu! It is wonderful to have you on board!

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**Call for Papers**

*The Ethics of Research addressing COVID-19 related Health Inequities, Asian Bioethics Review* - Submissions by 28 February 2021!

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**News** [Click on the links to see the full article]

- **Stanford Apologizes For Botched Vaccine Rollout After Doctors Revolt** [Forbes]
- **Ground-breaking technique to reduce risk of potentially fatal genetic diseases could soon be legal in Australia** [ABC]
- **Scientists call for fully open sharing of coronavirus genome data** [Nature]
- **AI database used to improve treatment of UK COVID-19 patients** [Healthcare IT News]

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**Reports**

- **Digital Contact Tracing for Pandemic Response: Ethics and Governance Guidance**
  *by John Hopkins University Press*
Academic Articles

[Click on the links to see the full article]

- Perspectives of Singaporean biomedical researchers and research support staff on actual and ideal IRB review functions and characteristics: A quantitative analysis by Labude et al., *PLOS One*
- Heritable Human Genome Editing: The Public Engagement Imperative by Adashi et al., *The CRISPR Journal*
- Evaluation of Data Sharing After Implementation of the International Committee of Medical Journal Editors Data Sharing Statement Requirement by Danchev et al., *JAMA Network Open*
- The time has come to extend the 14-day limit by Sophia McCully, *Journal of Medical Ethics*
- The intersection of genomics and big data with public health: Opportunities for precision public health by Khoury et al., *PLOS Medicine*
- The anatomy of electronic patient record ethics: a framework to guide design, development, implementation, and use by Jacquemard et al., *BMC Medical Ethics*

Blog Posts & Other Media

- Is Israel Trading Medical Information for Vaccines? Ethical and Legal Considerations by Shelly Shimana, Bill of Health
- Surprising Surge of Egg Freezing During the Pandemic Raises Ethical Questions by Danielle Pacia and Jacob Howard, The Hastings Center
- The regulation of genetic technologies: time for dialogue by Peter Mills, Nuffield Council on Bioethics

Webinars/Courses

- 22 FEB: Data Sharing in the Time of COVID-19 by Berman Institute of Bioethics, Johns Hopkins University
- 26 FEB: Heritable Human Genome Editing: Rare Disease Week Discussion by National Academy of Medicine and National Academy of Sciences, The Royal Society
- 9 & 23 APRIL: Mini Certificate in Health Research Ethics, free for students from the APRU Global Health Program Working Group in Bioethics