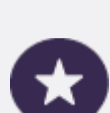


# RESEARCH ETHICS BULLETIN

NEWS AND PUBLICATIONS  
FROM AROUND THE WORLD  
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## NEWS & ARTICLES

### The scandal of researchers paid less than a living wage

*By Editorial // Nature*

Budding researchers are under increasing financial pressure. Research institutions must provide them with a living wage.

### A coup for poo: why the world's first faecal transplant approval matters

*By Tory Shepherd // The Guardian*

Regulatory approval of the first faecal microbiota transplant could pave the way for treatment of various gut diseases.

### 'Gain of function' research can create experimental viruses. In light of COVID, it should be more strictly regulated – or banned

*By Colin D. Butler // The Conversation*

Gain of function research on viruses can better prepare us for pandemics, but can also potentially release deadly viruses into the human population. The jury is out on whether such research should be regulated or even banned.

### What is ethical animal research? A scientist and veterinarian explain

*By Lana Ruvolo Grasser, Rachelle Stammen // The Conversation*

This commentary attempts to explain what ethical animal research entails.



## PUBLICATIONS

### Non-static framework for understanding adaptive designs: an ethical justification in paediatric trials

*By Michael OS Afolabi, Lauren E Kelly // Journal of Medical Ethics*

Attempts to fill a gap in the literature by addressing the ethical concerns surrounding the use of paediatric adaptive clinical trial designs, arguing that its use can greatly improve clinical trial efficiency over traditional clinical trials.

### Before and beyond trust: reliance in medical AI

*By Charalampia (Xaroula) Kerasidou, Angeliki Kerasidou, Monika Buscher, Stephen Wilkinson // Journal of Medical Ethics*

Suggests that current efforts to cultivate public trust in medical AI are misguided and instead these efforts should refocused into ensuring reliance with strong legal and regulatory frameworks.

### Response to the ISSCR guidelines on human–animal chimera research

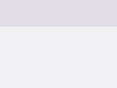
*By Julian J. Koplein // Bioethics*

Argues that the recent guidelines by the International Society for Stem Cell Research governing human-animal chimera research fail to acknowledge the issues concerning the moral status of chimeras and thus are insufficient to regulate chimera research.

### 'But how will you ensure the objectivity of the researcher?' Guidelines to address possible misconceptions about the ethical imperatives of community-based research

*By Lesley Wood, Samantha Kahts-Kramer // Research Ethics*

Clarifies misunderstandings IRBs might have about community-based participatory research by explaining how current ethics criteria for research can be unsuitable for evaluating participatory research and by developing guidelines that are more appropriate for doing so.



## BLOG POSTS

### Could Laboratory Created Brains in the Future have Moral Status?

*By Dominic McGuire // Practical Ethics*

Discusses the relevance of sapience when discussing the moral status of lab grown brain cells.

### Trusted Research Environment – a name to trust?

*By Paul Affleck, Jenny Westaway, Maurice Smith, Geoff Schrecker // JME Blog*

Unpacks the term "Trusted Research Environments" and its suggested alternatives.

### "Saviour or Sinner?" Why the case of Justin Stebbing matters

*By Johnna Wellesley, Emma Tumilty // JME Blog*

Examines the case of oncologist Justin Stebbing who was found guilty of providing unnecessary treatment and the implications for patient care.



## UPCOMING EVENTS

### CENTRES Clinical Ethics Conference 2023

Theme: Ethical Challenges in Home & Community Care Settings

Date: 6th & 7th February 2023

Venue: Kent Ridge Guild House

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