

RESEARCH ETHICS BULLETIN

NEWS AND PUBLICATIONS
FROM AROUND THE WORLD
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NEWS & ARTICLES

Don't rush rules for sharing digital genetic-sequence information

By Editorial // Nature

Emphasizes that fair agreements must be made to govern sharing of digital genetic-sequence information.

'Race science' group say they accessed sensitive UK health data

By Tom Burgis et al. // The Guardian

The possible leaking of sensitive health data from UK Biobank to nefarious race scientists prompts questions about research data protection practices.

The 'publish or perish' mentality is fuelling research paper retractions – and undermining science

By Nham Tran // The Conversation

Argues that the 'publish or perish' mentality undermines the integrity of research.

Editing fetal genomes is on the horizon – a medical anthropologist explains why ethical discussions with the target communities should happen sooner rather than later

By Julia Brown // The Conversation

Argues that preemptive engagement with communities most likely to be affected by rapidly advancing gene-editing technology is necessary.

What drugmakers did not tell volunteers in Alzheimer's trials

By Walt Bogdanich & Carson Kessler // The New York Times

Drugmakers hid from volunteers results of their genetic tests that revealed high risk of brain injury if they received an Alzheimer's trial drug. Some volunteers have died and more than 100 have suffered brain bleeding or swelling.

PUBLICATIONS

Public preferences regarding slow codes in critical care

By Philipp Sprengholz // Bioethics

Discusses public preferences regarding partial resuscitation efforts in critical care.

A Tempered Rationalism for a Tempered Yuck Factor—Using Disgust in Bioethics

By Konstantin Eckl & Konstantin Deninger // Asian Bioethics Review

Argues that using disgust in bioethics may be compatible with a tempered kind of rationalism.

Cross-jurisdictional Data Transfer in Health Research: Stakeholder Perceptions on the Role of Law

By Hui Yui Chan et al. // Asian Bioethics Review

Considers stakeholders' perceptions of the role of law in cross-national health data research.

Community-led approaches to research governance: a scoping review of strategies

By Emily Doerksen et al. // Research Ethics

Conducts a scoping review of the strategies communities are developing to involve themselves in research oversight.

BLOG POSTS

Say their names: Unclaimed bodies and untrustworthiness in medical science

By Faith E. Fletcher et al. // Hastings Bioethics Forum

Examines the important ethical questions surrounding the use of unclaimed bodies in medical science.

Debate on responsibility and academic authorship

By Pär Segerdahl // The Ethics Blog

Examines the debate on the link between academic authorship and responsibility.

PODCASTS

Accountability and AI

By Prof Simon Chesterman // Hosts: James Lim & Sinead Prince // CBME&U

Simon answers questions like, should we use beneficial AI even if we do not know how it made a decision? Who should be responsible if we do not know what went wrong? Should we put computers and pigs in prison if they do harmful things and should we say please and thank you to Siri?

Traditional Chinese Medicine

By Dr Kathryn Muyskens // Hosts: James Lim & Sinead Prince // CBME&U

Kathryn shares her expertise on what counts as TCM, the importance and humanity of TCM as distinct from Western medicine, whether the inexplicability of TCM is ethically problematic for patient autonomy and consent, and the vulnerability of humans whilst eating mala hotpot.

UPCOMING EVENTS

2024 Asian Paediatric Ethics Conference

Register Now.

Mode: Physical

Date/Time: 6 Nov 2024 - 7 Nov 2024 / 9.00am – 6.00pm

Ethical, Legal, and Social issues of Human Brain Organoid Research and Application

Register Now.

Mode: Online

Date: 11 - 12 Nov 2024

Ethical and Legal Challenges in Surgical Innovation: Frameworks for Responsible Practice

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Mode: Physical

Date/Time: 15 Nov 2024 / 9.00am – 12.00pm

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