The “Ethics Matters” Initiative

Education Unit
Medical Dean’s Office
Overarching Goal

To foster an environment and an institutional culture that recognizes and emphasizes the centrality of ethics and humanism in medicine
EM LOGO

The Lighthouse

- sheds light in all directions
- symbolizes a safe haven
- serves everyone without discrimination
Goals of “Ethics Matters”

- Complements the educational program in biomedical ethics, recognizing the influence of the “hidden curriculum”

- Raises the general awareness and sensitivity of the AUBFM and AUBMC community regarding ethical issues in health care

- Keeps the AUB FM/MC community abreast of new developments in biomedical ethics

- Supports the role of the Hospital Bioethics Committee
**EM Activities**

**Ongoing:**
- Workshops and conferences
- Lectures and seminars
- **E-Newsletter** *(Periodic updates of contemporary events, articles…)*
- Biomedical ethics website
- Biomedical ethics digital repository *(videos, audios, articles…)*
- White Coat Ceremony
- Film & Panel

**Planned:**
- Community education
- Biomedical ethics contests *(articles, art, etc)*
- Humanism Awards
Past Lectures

- Daniel Sulmasy, MD, PhD, State University of New York, June 2008
  “Why doctors must be very careful”

- Harold Baillie, PhD, University of Scranton: Nov. 2008
  “Teaching Bioethics in Medical School and the University ”

- Rami Mahfouz, MD, AUB: Feb. 2009
  “The Good Gene or the God Gene”

- Maurice Dahdah, MD, AUB: April 2009
  “Cosmhetics or Medicine? Better misspelled or malpracticed?”

- Sayyed Mohammad Hussein Fadllalah: May 2009
  “End of Life Issues in Medicine”

- Philip Rosoff, MD, Duke University: Sept. 2009
  “Who will live and who will die? Moral Decision-Making in an Influenza Pandemic”
  “Changing our Nature: Structural and Moral Challenges to the New Genomics”
Biomedical Ethics

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Quote of the Month

"It is not a case we are treating; it is a living, palpitating, alas, too often suffering fellow creature."

(John Brown)
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[Ethics Matters]: Doubts over stem cell images prompt new inquiry

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Colleagues,

LIGHTNING never strikes again in the same place? Tell that to the University of Minnesota in Minneapolis, which has launched yet another inquiry into research at its Stem Cell Institute after New Scientist raised further concerns about papers that seem to contain duplicated and manipulated images.

Full story at:

Best,

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