



On the occasion of *Global Medical Ethics Day*

**The *Salim El-Hoss Bioethics and Professionalism Program* at the
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announces its 2nd regional conference

Current Controversies in Research Ethics: Research Integrity, Research Ethics Committees and International Clinical Trials

September 16 & 17, 2011

Golden Tulip Hotel, Beirut, Lebanon

GENERAL INFORMATION

Program Overview

This activity is the second regional conference held on the occasion of Global Medical Ethics Day, which falls on September 17 of every year (as per the AMA). It aims at bringing physicians/bioethicists from the region together to discuss issues pertaining to research ethics. It also aims at further developing the regional network of professionals related to the formation of the Arab Biomedical Ethics Society, which was initially planned during the first Regional conference.

Objectives

As a result of attending this course, the participant will be able to do the following:

- ✓ Raise awareness and share ideas regarding good research practices
- ✓ Discuss what constitutes research integrity
- ✓ Discuss the role of National Ethics Research Committees
- ✓ Discuss barriers faced by local research ethics committees
- ✓ Discuss issues involved with international clinical trials
- ✓ Develop the Arab Biomedical Ethics Society

Target Audience

This annual scientific meeting has been designed for Internal medicine doctors, surgeons, biopharmaceutics, nephrologists, nurses, trainees and researchers.

Venue

The Current Controversies in Research Ethics Conference is held at the Golden Tulip Hotel, Beirut, Lebanon.

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PROGRAM AGENDA:

Friday September 16, 2011

08:30am - 09:00am	Registration
09:00am - 09:10am	Welcome Dr. Mohamed H. Sayegh
09:10am - 09:15am	Introduction & Honoring of Maitre Charles Ghafari Dr. Thalia Arawi
09:15am - 09:30am	UNESCO's activities on Bioethics and Research Ethics in the Arab Region Dr. Orio Ikebe
09:30am - 09:35am	ISESCO's word. Dr. Ismail Abdelhamid
09:35am - 10: 20am	Challenges Facing Local Research Ethics Committees in the Arab World Dr. Henry Silverman
10:20am - 10:30am	Questions & Answers
10:30am - 11:00am	Coffee Break
11:00am - 11:50am	Conflicts of Interest and Codes of Research Conduct: Virtues & Vices in the Conduct of Human Subjects Research Dr. Gregory Larkin
11:50am - 12:00pm	Questions & Answers
12:00pm - 12:30pm	Perspectives of investigators and patients regarding research ethics Dr. Henry Silverman
12:30pm - 12:40pm	Questions and Answers
12:40pm - 13:30pm	Lunch Break

13:30pm - 17:00pm	Abstract Presentations
13:30pm - 13:40pm	Human Research Protection Program at the American University of Beirut: Future Directions Dr. Ali Abu Alfa, AUB-HRPP representative (Lebanon)
13:40pm - 13:45pm	Questions and Answers
13:45pm - 13:55pm	Advancing Personalized Medicine in cancer Care: Are we ready to fill the bioethics Gap? Dr. Fadwa Attiga (Jordan)
13:55pm - 14:00pm	Questions and Answers
14:00pm - 14:10pm	Review of Non-National (International) Research Conducted in Less Developed Countries: Challenges and Opportunities Dr. Ghaiath Hussein (Saudi Arabia)
14:10pm - 14:15pm	Questions and Answers
14:15pm - 14:20pm	Implementation of Egyptian Network of Research Ethics Committees (ENREC) Dr. Azza Radwan (Egypt)
14:20pm - 14:25pm	Questions and Answers
14:25pm - 14:35pm	Assessment of the awareness and perceptions of the use of biosamples in research in patients at King Hussein Cancer Center Dr. Maysa Al Hussaini (Jordan)
14:35pm - 14:40pm	Questions and Answers
14:40pm - 14:50pm	Knowledge and Attitude Toward Applying Ethical Guidelines for Human Subject Protection Among Faculty of Medicine, Beni Suef University Researchers Dr. Tamer Hifnawy (Egypt)
14:50pm - 14:55pm	Questions and Answers
14:55pm - 15:10pm	Coffee Break

15:10pm - 15:20pm	Perceptions of Research Procedure, Informed Consent, and Therapeutic Misconceptions among Egyptian Research Participants Dr. Hala Mansour (Egypt)
15:20pm - 15:25pm	Questions and Answers
15:25pm - 15:35pm	Utilizing telesynergy to conduct research ethics training of IRB members: Experience form King Hussein Cancer Center Mr. Amid Abu Hmaidan (Jordan)
15:35pm - 15:40pm	Questions and Answers
15:40pm - 15:50pm	Perspectives of Egyptian Chairs of Research Ethics Committees Regarding Barriers That Affect Proper Functioning Dr. Amal Matar (Egypt)
15:50pm - 15:55pm	Questions and Answers
15:55pm - 16:05pm	Self-Assessment of the Operations and Functions of Research Ethics Committees in Developing Countries: A Pilot Study Dr. Hany Sleem (Egypt and South Africa)
16:05pm - 16:10pm	Questions and Answers
16:10pm - 16:20pm	Ethical and legal aspects of the research on embryos Dr. Fawaz Saleh (Syria)
16:20pm - 16:25pm	Questions and Answers
16:25pm - 16:35pm	Authority and technical knowledge: between the humiliating social speech and the counter-social speech Dr. Akil Abdul Fattah Kazem (UAE)
16:35pm - 16:40pm	Questions and Answers
16:40pm - 16:50pm	The ethics of sincerity in dealing with patients Dr. Ahmad Bayt Amer (Oman)
16:50pm - 16:55pm	Questions and Answers

DAY TWO

Saturday September 17, 2011

09:00am - 09:30am	Issues involved with International Clinical Trials Dr. Henry Silverman
09:30am - 09:40am	Questions and Answers
09:40am - 09:50am	Raising awareness of science and technology ethics Dr. Hamed Roushdy (Egypt)
09:50am - 09:55am	Questions and Answers
09:55am - 10:05am	Methods of promoting awareness of Islamic ethical standards for sciences and renewable culture Dr. Samih Abu El Ragheb (Jordan)
10:05am - 10:10am	Questions and Answers
10:10am - 10:20am	The degree of commitment in research science ethics in the studies published in the University of Damascus for Health Sciences journal Dr. Raydeh El Khani (Syria)
10:20am - 10:25am	Questions and Answers
10:25am – 10:35 am	Ethical standards for science and technology from an Islamic perspective Dr. Taher Salloum (Syria)
10:35am - 10:40am	Questions and Answers
10:40am - 10: 55am	Coffee Break
10:55am - 12:40pm	Workshop: Voluntary Informed Consent in the Conduct of Acute Care Research: Micro, Meso, and Macro Level Challenges Dr. Gregory Larkin
12:40pm - 12:55pm	Questions and Answers
12:55pm - 14:00pm	Lunch Break
14:00pm - 15:30pm	Arab Biomedical Ethics Society- Update Dr. Thalia Arawi

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