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## NEWS

**Access to Therapeutic and Palliative Drugs in the Context of Covid-19: Justice and the Relief of Suffering** - Nancy Berlinger, Jean Abbott, Aimee Milliken, et al // The Hastings Center Report

*An ethical guide for policies across medical institutions for research and treatment with therapeutic and palliative drugs.*

**Data show panic and disorganization dominate the study of Covid-19 drugs** - Matthew Herper and Erin Riglin // Stat News

*Coordination and collaboration for the vast research trial agendas due to Covid-19.*

**Don't expect first COVID-19 vaccinations until early 2021: WHO expert** - Reuters // Channel News Asia

*Recent developments and predictions regarding availability of a Covid-19 vaccine.*

**Trials for three Covid-19 vaccines show promise but much more work still needed, say experts** - Audrey Tan // Straits Times

*While data indicates progress on a vaccine, large scale trials are necessary before distributing a vaccine for Covid-19.*

**Pakistanis risk unproven plasma treatment in coronavirus fight** - Agence France Press // Channel News Asia

*Black market dealers in Pakistan provide plasma to Covid-19 patients.*

**Funder principles for research in epidemics** - UK Collaborative on Development Research & Global Research Collaboration for Infectious Disease Preparedness // UKCDR & GloPID-R

*Ethical considerations in funding high-quality research for epidemics.*

**It Will Consume Your Life: 4 Families Take On Rare Diseases** - Gina Kolata // New York Times

*Features families who have promoted research on rare diseases.*

**Coronavirus: 'Right thing' to be part of plasma trial** - Catherine Burns // BBC News

*Discusses responsibility to donate plasma and participate in plasma trials.*

## PUBLICATIONS

**Health for Whom? Bioethics and the Challenge of Justice for Genomic Medicine** - Joel Michael Reynolds // The Hastings Center Report

*Introduction to a Hastings Center Special Report on Justice Issues in Genomic Medicine. (Links to the Essays in the Report)*

- **Does Solidarity Require "All of Us" to Participate in Genomics Research?** - Carolyn P. Neuhaus // The Hastings Center Report  
*Does solidarity create an ethical obligation to participate in genomics research?*

**Defining and Handling Research Misconduct: A Comparison Between Chinese and European Institutional Policies** - Dan Li, Gustaav Cornelis // Journal of Empirical Research on Human Research Ethics

*Comparative study analyses research misconduct policies from 21 Chinese and 22 European universities.*

**The Pathway Forward: Insights on Factors that Facilitate Research with Pregnant Women** - Anna C. Mastroianni, Robert Franceschini, Sarah L. Wicks, Leslie Meltzer Henry // Ethics & Human Research

*Factors in protocol development, IRB review and trials that can contribute to successful research with pregnant women.*

**Use of Run-in Periods in Randomized Trials** - Xiqian Huo, Jane Armitage // JAMA

*Advantages and limitations of pre-randomization run-in trials.*

## BLOGS

**Accepting the Challenge: Covid Vaccine Challenge Trials Can Be Ethically Justified** - Kyle Ferguson and Arthur Caplan // The Hastings Center Forum

*SARS-CoV-2 challenge studies are ethically justified: they promise great social benefit and can meet the minimize-risks requirements.*

**How ethically challenging are challenge trials?** - Katharine Wright // Nuffield Bioethics Blog

*How can human challenge trials be carried out ethically?*

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