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## NEWS

**When is 'self-plagiarism' OK? New guidelines offer researchers rules for recycling text** - Cathleen O'Grady // Science  
*Drawing the line between text recycling and plagiarism using guidelines from the Text Recycling Research Project.*

**Crispr, the Tool Giving DNA Editing Promise and Peril** - John Laueran // The Washington Post  
*A deep dive into the context, present and ethical concerns over the use of Crispr in the future.*

**Forensic database challenged over ethics of DNA holdings** - Quirin Schiermeier // Nature  
*Researchers must not be complicit in ethical violations by using data from DNA databases collected without informed consent.*

**Controversial new guidelines would allow experiments on more mature human embryos** - Rob Stein // NPR  
*Contrasting bioethical perspectives on lifting the 14-day limit for research on human embryos.*

## PUBLICATIONS

**A Proposed Model of Core Competencies for Research Ethics Consultants** - Kenji Matsui, Yusuke Inoue, Hiroaki Yanagawa, et al. // Asian Bioethics Review  
*Who is a research ethics consultant? Developing a model framework of core competencies.*

**Ethical issues in biomedical research using electronic health records: a systematic review** - Jan Piasecki, Ewa Walkiewicz-Żarek, Justyna Figas-Skrzypulec, et al. // Medicine, Health Care and Philosophy  
*This systematic review discusses a range of ethical challenges in research use of digitised health records, primarily with managing access to health information.*

**Perspectives of research ethics committee members on human challenge studies in the development of vaccines against COVID-19: a mixed methods study** - Zihan Pan, Hongling Chu, Yu Zhang, et al. // Annals of Palliative Medicine  
*The authors analyse quantitative and qualitative data collected from REC members in China, about ethical issues in human challenge studies.*

**Advancing discussion of ethics in mixed methods health services research** - Nicole A. Stadnick, Cheryl N. Poth, Timothy C. Guetterman, et al. // BMC Health Services Research  
*This cross-sectional study describes the unique ethical issues encountered by health services researchers conducting mixed methods research.*

**Clinical trials of germline gene editing: The exploitation problem** - Erik Malmqvist // Bioethics  
*Can clinical trials of germline gene editing comply with the fundamental ethical requirement of non-exploitation? The author addresses the when and the how.*

**Vaccine-enhanced disease: case studies and ethical implications for research and public health** - Euzebiusz Jamrozik, George Heriot, Susan Bull et al. // Wellcome Open Research  
*Ethical implications of vaccine enhanced disease as an adverse event, on vaccine development research and public health.*

## BLOGS

**'Waiver or Understanding? A Dilemma for Autonomists about Informed Consent'** - Roger Crisp // Practical Ethics  
*In defence of a 'diachronic' conception of autonomy and informed consent in randomised controlled trials.*

**Covid-19 vaccine trials in low and middle-income countries: what's the benefit?** - Juan Víctor Ariel Franco and Karin Kopitowski // BMJ Opinion  
*Can expanding the ambit of 'benefit' under trials in LMIC countries reduce the inequity of vaccine dose distribution?*

**Human Embryo Research Beyond 14 Days? International Perspectives** - Sheetal Soni and Francoise Baylis // Hastings Bioethics Forum  
*International legal perspectives on the 14-day limit for human embryo research.*

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