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**The Salim El-Hoss Bioethics and Professionalism Program at the  
American University of Beirut, Faculty of Medicine  
In collaboration with the Nuffield Council on Bioethics-UK  
In joint sponsorship with Cleveland Clinic  
announces its 5<sup>th</sup> regional conference**

# Research in Developing Countries

**September 13-14, 2013  
Golden Tulip Serenada Hotel, Beirut, Lebanon**



# **GENERAL INFORMATION**

## ***Program Overview***

This activity is the 5<sup>th</sup> Regional Conference held by the Salim El-Hoss Bioethics and Professionalism Program at the American University of Beirut Faculty of Medicine. It aims at bringing together all those concerned (including physicians, researchers, scientists, those concerned with the ethical review of research, policymakers, and research promoters/funders) to explore how ethical research can be promoted in developing countries.

## ***Objectives***

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

- How research priorities are set – and how high priority research can be encouraged
- The role of pharmaceutical companies
- The ‘exporting’ of research from developed to developing countries
- Post-trial access to medicines
- How the views of research participants can be better heard
- Support for the ethical review of research
- Establishing and working with IRBs
- Responsibilities of researchers (clinicians and scientists)
- How to build ethical reflection into scientific practice

## ***Target Audience***

This annual scientific meeting has been designed for physicians, researchers, scientists, those concerned with the ethical review of research, policymakers, and research promoters/funders.

## ***Venue***

The Research in Developing Countries conference will be held at the Golden Tulip Serenada Hotel, Beirut, Lebanon.

## ***Accreditation***

This activity has been planned and implemented in accordance with the Essential Areas and policies of the Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education through the joint sponsorship of The Cleveland Clinic Foundation Center for Continuing Education and American University of Beirut Medical Center. The Cleveland Clinic Foundation Center for Continuing Education is accredited by the ACCME to provide continuing medical education for physicians.

The Cleveland Clinic Foundation Center for Continuing Education designates this live activity for a maximum of 8.25 *AMA PRA Category 1 Credits™*. Physicians should only claim credit commensurate with the extent of their participation in the activity.

Participants claiming CME credit from this activity may submit the credit hours to the American Osteopathic Association Council on Continuing Medical Education for Category 2 credit.

### ***Faculty Disclosure Statement for Brochure***

The Cleveland Clinic Foundation Center for Continuing Education has implemented a policy to comply with the current Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education Standards for Commercial Support requiring resolution of all faculty conflicts of interest. Faculty declaring a relevant commercial interest will be identified in the activity syllabus.

### ***Lebanese Order of Physicians Statement***

The Research in Developing Countries course also complies with the Lebanese Order of Physicians Continuing Medical Education guidelines.

### **Registration**

The registration fee for this conference is \$50. Registration will include syllabus, coffee break and lunch.

Reservation and pre-registration are required. Kindly send an email to [ba45@aub.edu.lb](mailto:ba45@aub.edu.lb) to reserve a seat.

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## Featured International Speakers:



**Howard Brody** received his MD Degree from the College of Human Medicine, Michigan State University in 1976, and his PhD in Philosophy, also from Michigan State University, in 1977. He completed his residency in family practice at the University of Virginia Medical Center, Charlottesville. Currently he is Director of the Institute for the Medical Humanities and John P. McGovern Centennial Chair in Family Medicine at the University of Texas Medical Branch in Galveston. He is the author of eight books, including *The Future of Bioethics* (Oxford University Press, 2009) and *Hooked: Ethics, the Medical Profession, and the Pharmaceutical Industry* (Rowman and Littlefield, 2007), as well as more than 125 articles on medical ethics, family medicine, and philosophy of medicine. In 1995, he was elected to the Institute of Medicine of the U.S. National Academy of Sciences.

He received the Lifetime Achievement Award of the American Society for Bioethics and Humanities in 2009.



**Michael Parker** is Professor of Bioethics and Director of the Ethox Centre at the University of Oxford. His main research interest is in the ethics of collaborative global health research. Together with partners at the Wellcome Trust Major Overseas Programmes (MOPs) in Viet Nam, Malawi, Thailand-Laos, Kenya, and South Africa he co-ordinates the *Global Health Bioethics Network* - which is a programme to carry out ethics research and build ethics capacity across the MOPs. The Global Health Bioethics Network is funded through a Wellcome Trust Strategic Award. Michael also leads the ethics programme of the Malaria Genomic Epidemiology Network (MalariaGEN) - [www.malariagen.net](http://www.malariagen.net) - which carries out genomic research into severe malaria in childhood at more than 30 sites in 21 countries. Michael's other main research interest is in the ethical aspects of the clinical use of genetics. Since 2001, he has - with Anneke Lucassen, Tara Clancy and

Angus Clarke - co-ordinated the *Genethics Club* - a national ethics forum for health professionals and genetics laboratory staff in the United Kingdom to discuss the ethical issues arising in their day-to-day practice and to share good practice. This work has been published as *Ethical Problems and Genetics Practice* (Cambridge University Press, 2012).



**Katharine Wright** is Assistant Director of the Nuffield Council on Bioethics, currently leading a project on the ethical issues arising out of the involvement of children in clinical research. Her background is in health policy, law and ethics: before taking up her current post, she spent 9 years at the UK House of Commons, briefing MPs of all political parties on health issues, and then four years in the NHS, monitoring the effect of the Human Rights Act on health law in England. During this time she was also seconded to the English Department of Health to work on patient consent. Her work at the Nuffield Council has included consideration of ethical issues arising in dementia; in the donation of all forms of bodily material for treatment or research; and the sharing of information in the context of people born as a result of the donation of gametes and embryos.



**Hugh Whittall** studied Philosophy and Politics in the early 1980s, and has since worked in policy roles, mostly in areas where developments in health and science can give rise to social and ethical concerns. He became Director of the Nuffield Council on Bioethics in February 2007, since which time the Council has published reports on issues including public health, dementia, human bodies in treatment and research, and emerging biotechnologies.

Before joining the Nuffield Council, Hugh was at the Department of Health, where he was involved with the preparation and passage of the Human Tissue Act 2004, and the setting up of the Human Tissue Authority. He was also involved in end-of-life issues and transplantation policy, having initiated the Organ Donation Task Force which reported to Ministers with recommendations on how to improve organ donation rates.

Prior to that Hugh spent three years at the European Commission in Brussels, where he was involved in the funding and promotion of bioethics research, and was for seven years Deputy Chief Executive of the Human Fertilisation and Embryology Authority, responsible for licensing, policy and communications.

## PROGRAM OVERVIEW:

### Friday September 13, 2013

08:30am – 09:00am	Registration
09:00am – 09:10am	Opening Words Dr. Mohamed Sayegh
09:10am – 09:15am	Welcome Dr. Thalia Arawi
09:15am – 10:10am	Research and the pharmaceutical industry Dr. Howard Brody
10:10am – 10:15am	Questions & Answers
10:15am – 11:10am	Research in developing countries: what are the ethical issues? Mr. Hugh Whittall
11:10am – 11:15am	Questions & Answers
11:15am – 11:40am	Are Western Approaches to Research, Diagnosis, and Treatment Universal? A cross Cultural Perspective Dr. Najji Abi Hashem
11:40am – 11:45am	Questions & Answers
11:45am – 12:15pm	<b>Coffee Break</b>
12:15pm – 12:40pm	Arab World Contribution to Biomedical Research Dr. Hamid Hussain
12:40pm – 12:45pm	Questions & Answers
12:45pm – 13:10pm	Challenges to the Application of Research Ethics: Researchers' Views from Lebanon and Qatar Dr. Jihad Makhoul
13:10pm – 13:15pm	Questions & Answers
13:15pm – 13:40pm	Misconducts,.. Facts, figures and approach to minimization Dr. Hamid Hussain



13:40pm – 13:45pm	Questions and Answers
	13:45pm – 14:10pm Panel Discussion: Dr. Thalia Arawi, Dr. Howard Brody, Dr. Michael Parker, Mr. Hugh Whittall and Ms. Katharine Wright
14:10pm	<b>Lunch</b>

<b>Saturday September 14, 2013</b>
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09:00am – 09:55am	Building Ethical Reflection into Research Practice Dr. Michael Parker
09:55am – 10:00am	Questions and Answers
10:00am – 10:55am	Research in developing countries: the Nuffield report then and now Ms. Katharine Wright
10:55am – 11:00am	Questions and Answers
11:00am – 11:30am	<b>Coffee Break</b>
11:30am – 11:55am	Are we ready to test for genetic cancer susceptibility? Dr. Maysa Al-Hussaini
11:55am – 12:00pm	Questions and Answers
12:00pm – 12:25pm	Highlights on Awareness of Participants Rights in Clinical Research among Saudi Adults Dr. Mohamad AlTannir
12:25pm – 12:30pm	Questions and Answers
12:30pm – 12:55pm	After Trial, Poor Patients Continued Access to the Drug: A Success Story Dr. Hany Sleem
12:55pm – 13:00pm	Questions and Answers
13:00pm	<b>Lunch</b>

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