THE 31ST ANNUAL INTERDISCIPLINARY FACULTY SEMINAR SERIES
2012–2013

Ethical Issues in Organ Transplantation

THIS SEMINAR SERIES SPONSORED BY
The MacLean Center (Mark Siegler)
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TIME AND LOCATION OF SEMINARS
The University of Chicago Medical Center, Room H-103
All sessions meet Wednesdays from noon to 1:30 p.m.
Box lunches will be provided.
Thirty-One Years of MacLean Center Ethics Seminars

In 1981, under the auspices of the MacLean Center, Mark Siegler and Richard Epstein organized a yearlong interdisciplinary seminar series on *Bad Outcomes after Medical Innovation*. The success of that initial seminar program demonstrated that there was interest at The University of Chicago in creating a sustainable interdisciplinary forum to discuss health-related subjects with colleagues from across campus. For 31 consecutive years, the MacLean Center has sponsored a seminar series that has examined one key issue each year. Previous topics have included: health reform, pediatric ethics, controversies in end of life care, global health, health care disparities and medical professionalism. In the academic year 2012-2013, the Center will sponsor 24 seminars and 5 lectures on the topic of *Ethical Issues in Organ Transplantation*.

Organ Transplantation

In 1912, Alexis Carrel received the Nobel Prize for his pioneering work at The University of Chicago “...on vascular sutures and the transplantation of organs.” In 1906, Carrel had written prophetically: “From a clinical standpoint, the transplantation of organs may become important and may open new fields in therapy and biology.” Carrel’s prediction was realized with the first successful kidney transplant in 1954. Since 1954, more than one million organ transplantations have been performed worldwide. Organ transplantation raises almost every important medical ethical issue, including: standards for determining death, informed consent, the fair allocation of scarce resources, research on human subjects, global health concerns, and more. This year, on the 100th anniversary of Carrel’s Nobel Prize, the MacLean Center’s Seminar Series will examine *Ethical Issues in Organ Transplantation*.

This year’s interdisciplinary seminar series was organized by Mark Siegler, the Director of the MacLean Center. The seminars are co-sponsored by the Transplant Center of University of Chicago Medicine, directed by Michael Millis. The series organizers hope that these weekly seminar discussions will contribute to a deeper understanding, locally and nationally, about the vital role that organ transplantation plays in saving patient lives and in deepening our understanding of crucial ethical issues in medical care and medical research.
October 3, 2012: Room H-103
**Ethics of Organ Donation and Transplantation: An International Perspective**
Francis Delmonico, MD, Harvard University

October 10, 2012: Room H-103
**The Challenge of the Greater Good: Ethical Dilemmas in Liver Allocation**
Kimberly Olthoff, MD, University of Pennsylvania

October 17, 2012: Room H-103
**Emerging Controversies in Organ Transplantation**
Robert Veatch, PhD, Georgetown University

October 24, 2012: Room H-103
**Prisoners as Donors, Prisoners as Recipients**
John Fung, MD, PhD, Cleveland Clinic

October 31, 2012: Room H-103
**The Dismal State of the Supply of Kidneys for Transplants and What To Do About It**
Gary Becker, PhD, University of Chicago

November 7, 2012: Room H-103
**Should Living Donors Be Used for Patients with Hepatocellular Cancer (HCC)?**
Elizabeth Pomfret, MD, PhD, Lahey Clinic

November 9, 2012 | 1:00-5:30 pm, University of Chicago Law School
MacLean Conference Organ Transplantation Lectures (see inset)
- Arthur Caplan, PhD, New York University
- James L. Bernat, MD, Dartmouth College
- Robert D. Truog, MD, Harvard University
- Warren Breidenbach, MD, MSc, University of Arizona
- Maria Siemionow, MD, PhD, Cleveland Clinic

November 14, 2012: Room H-103
**Living Donor Liver Transplantation: Balancing Donor Risk and Recipient Benefit**
John Roberts, MD, University of California, San Francisco

November 28, 2012: Room G-217
**Season of Miracles: Facilitating Kidney Swaps**
Garet Hil, MBA, Founder & CEO, National Kidney Registry
January 9, 2013: Room H-103
**Vascular Composite Tissue Allografts of the Abdominal Wall**
Lawrence Gottlieb, MD, University of Chicago

January 16, 2013: Room H-103
**The Transplant Community’s Response to Federal Oversight: Myth and Reality**
Alan Leichtman, MD, University of Michigan

January 23, 2013: Room H-103
**Ethical Issues in Transplantation in China**
Michael Millis, MD, University of Chicago

January 30, 2013: Room H-103
**Ethics and Lung Transplantation for Patients with Cystic Fibrosis**
Joel E. Frader, MD, Northwestern University

February 6, 2013: Room H-103
**Should Morbidly Obese Patients be Denied Kidney Transplants [and the Chance to be Living Donors]?”**
Enrico Benedetti, MD, University of Illinois at Chicago

February 13, 2013: Room H-103
**Is Multi-Organ Transplantation Ethical?**
Savitri Fedson, MD, and Mark Siegler, MD, University of Chicago

February 20, 2013: Room H-103
**Complications of Living Liver Donors for Adults—Is there a Threshold?**
Michael Abecassis, MD, Northwestern University

February 27, 2013: Room H-103
**Living Kidney Donors Who Develop End-Stage Renal Disease: Can it be Predicted? Prevented?**
Lainie Ross, MD, PhD, University of Chicago

March 6, 2013: Room H-103
**A More Equitable and Efficient System for Kidney Allocation**
J. Richard Thistlewaite, MD, PhD, University of Chicago

March 13, 2013: Room H-103
**A New Allocation Model for Lung Transplantation**
Mark Russo, MD, MSc, David Meltzer, MD, PhD, and Robert Gibbons, PhD, University of Chicago

All sessions meet Wednesdays from 12:00 p.m to 1:30 p.m., Room H-103
April 17, 2013: Room H-103
**Historical and Ethical Perspectives on Kidney Exchange**  
Steven Woodle, MD, University of Cincinnati

April 24, 2013: Room H-103
**Ethical Challenges in Informed Consent for Living Donors**  
Elisa Gordon, PhD, MPH, Northwestern University

May 1, 2013: Room H-103
**Immunotolerance in Children**  
Sandy Feng, MD, PhD, University of California, San Francisco

May 8, 2013: Room H-103
**Ethical Approach to Living Donor Candidates: Perception and Reality**  
Giuliano Testa, MD, MBA, Baylor University

May 15, 2013: Room H-103
**Is Your Stool an Organ? Exploring the Ethical and Practical Issues in Fecal Microbiota Transplantation**  
Stacey Kahn, MD, University of Chicago

May 22, 2013: Room H-103
**Severe Brain Injury and Organ Donation: A Call for Temperance**  
Joseph Fins, MD, Cornell University

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**MacLean Conference 2012 Transplantation Lectures**

1:00  **What Strategies Should We Pursue to Get More Solid Organs for Transplantation?**  
Arthur Caplan, PhD, New York University

1:45  **Death Determination in Organ Donors**  
James Bernat, MD, Dartmouth College

2:15  **Another Inconvenient Truth: Are Organ Donors Really Dead?**  
Robert D. Truog, MD, Harvard University

3:45  **Ethics in Composite Tissue Allotransplantation—What it Teaches Us About Introducing Complex Investigational Surgical Procedures.**  
Warren Breidenbach, MD, MSc, University of Arizona

4:15  **Ethical Issues in Face Transplantation**  
Maria Siemionow, MD, PhD, Cleveland Clinic
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