

e-bulletin

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– Update –

Gengage Science Festival Event Announced

From healthy embryos to designer babies – how far is too far?

Join us on 20th April 2011 at the University of Edinburgh e-Science Centre for an event on pre-implantation genetic diagnosis (PGD).

Date announced for the Gengage Third Annual Conference

The conference will take place on 22nd June 2011 and will focus on social and other issues around public and patient involvement in clinical research.

Archived e-bulletins now available on the Gengage website

You may have noticed last month that we are now publishing the ebulletins as PDF files on our website. As part of this change, archives of old ebulletins are also available.

See the link below for details:

<http://www.gengage.org.uk/publications-ebulletins.php>

– News –

RSE Beltane Prizes for Public Engagement

Two new prizes announced from RSE Beltane to recognize and promote excellence in the emerging field of public engagement.

The closing date for nominations is 31st January.

<http://www.edinburghbeltane.net/news/rse-beltane-prizes-public-engagement>

– Funding opportunities –

The Wellcome Trust has 2 funding deadlines on the 28th January 2011.
<http://www.wellcome.ac.uk/Funding/Public-engagement/index.htm>

People Awards enable you to explore the impact of biomedical science on society, or the ethical questions that it brings. It supports activities such as events, debates, exhibitions, art projects and drama productions related to biomedical science.

Arts Awards support imaginative and experimental arts projects that investigate biomedical science.

– Recent publications –

The Academy of Medical Sciences' government-commissioned report, **A New Pathway for the Regulation and Governance of Health Research**, has been published this month. As well as recommending the creation of a single Health Research Agency to take over the research regulation functions of bodies such as HFEA and HTA, it notes the importance of maintaining public confidence in health research and the role of public engagement in achieving this.

The report is available online at
<http://www.acmedsci.ac.uk/index.php?pid=47&prid=88>

– Upcoming Events –

Listed below are upcoming events for January

The Human Fertilisation and Embryology Act 2008: a multidisciplinary workshop

20th January 2011, ESRC Genomic Forum

The (Hi)story of bioethics

24th January 2011, Chancellors Conference Centre, Manchester

And in early February...

The Scottish Effect

7th February 2011, Café Scientific, Victorian Bar, The Tron Theatre, Glasgow

Visit our website for further details
<http://www.gengage.org.uk/events.php>