

Let's Get Practical: Practical Ethics Reading Group

Reading List 2020-2021

Michaelmas Term: Ethics and the Pandemic

Nov 20, 2020: *Public Health and Equality*

- Savulescu, Julian and James Cameron. (2020). Why lockdown of the elderly is not ageist and why levelling down equality is wrong, *Journal of Medical Ethics*, 46: 717-721
- Hughes, Jonathan A. (2020). Lockdown and levelling down: why Savulescu and Cameron are mistaken about selective isolation of the elderly, *Journal of Medical Ethics*, 46: 722-723
- Daniels, Norman. (2011). Equity and population health, in Angus Dawson (ed.), *Public Health Ethics: Key Concepts and Issues in Policy and Practice*, New York: Cambridge University Press: 191-210

Nov 27, 2020: *Track and Trace*

- Moore, A. D. (2010). Privacy, Public Health, and Controlling Medical Information, *HEC Forum*, 22: 225-240
- Pagliari, C. (2020). The ethics and value of contact tracing apps: International insights and implications for Scotland's COVID-19 response, *Journal of Global Health*, 10(2): 020103

Dec 4, 2020: *Consent and the Pandemic*

- Kahn, J and A. Mastroianni. (2009). Epidemiology and Informed Consent, in S. Coughlin, T. Beauchamp and D. Weed (eds.) *Ethics and Epidemiology*, Oxford: Oxford University Press: 71-82
- Turnham, HL, M. Dunn, E. Hill, et al. (2020). Consent in the time of COVID-19, *Journal of Medical Ethics*, 46: 565-568

Dec 11, 2020: *Compulsory Vaccination*

- Flanigan, Jessica. (2014). A Defence of Compulsory Vaccination, *HEC Forum*, 26: 2-25
- Savulescu, Julian. (2020). Good reasons to vaccinate: mandatory or payment for risk? *Journal of Medical Ethics*, doi: 10.1136/medethics-2020-106821

Lent Term: Ethics and Technology

January 22, 2021: *AI and Medical Black Boxes*

- London, Alex John. (2019). Artificial Intelligence and Black-Box Medical Decisions: Accuracy versus Explainability, *Hastings Center Report*, 49(1): 15-21
- Bjerring, Jens Christian, and Jacob Busch. (2020). Artificial Intelligence and Patient-Centered Decision-Making, *Philosophy & Technology*, <https://doi.org/10.1007/s13347-019-00391-6>

Jan 29, 2021: *AI and Unemployment*

- Ford, Martin. (2015). *Rise of The Robots: Technology and The Threats of a Jobless Future*, New York: Basic Books: ch.2
- Nieswandt, Katharina. (forthcoming). Automatic, Basic Income and Merit, in Keith Gerard Breen & Jean-Philippe Deranty (eds.). *Whither Work? The Politics and Ethics of Contemporary Work*, Routledge

Feb 5, 2021: *AI and Artificial Moral Agents*

- Floridi, Luciano, and J. W. Sanders. (2004). On the morality of artificial agents, *Minds and Machines*, 14(3): 349-379
- Torrance, Steve. (2008). Ethics and consciousness in artificial agents, *AI & Society*, 22(4): 495-521

Feb 12, 2021: *Moral Enhancement*

- Savulescu, Julian, and Ingmar Persson. (2012). *Unfit for the Future: The Need for Moral Enhancement*, Oxford: Oxford University Press: ch. 10
- Beauchamp, Tom L. (2015). Are we unfit for the future? *Journal of Medical Ethics*, 41(4): 346-348

Feb 19, 2021: *Cerebral Organoid Research*

- Greely, Henry T. (2021). Human Brain Surrogates Research: The Onrushing Ethical Dilemma, *The American Journal of Bioethics*, 21(1): 34-45
- Żuradzki, Tomasz. (2021). Against the Precautionary Approach to Moral Status: The Case of Surrogates for Living Human Brains, *The American Journal of Bioethics*, 21(1): 53-56
- Birch, Jonathan, and Heather Browning. (2021). Neural Organoids and the Precautionary Principle, *The American Journal of Bioethics*, 21(1): 56-58

Feb 26, 2021: *Embryo Research*

- Lasater-Guttmann, Ellie. (manuscript.) *Individuality and the 14-Day Rule*
- McCully, Sophia. (2021). The time has come to extend the 14-day limit, *Journal of Medical Ethics*, doi:10.1136/medethics-2020-106406

Mar 5, 2021: *The Ethics of Womb Transplants*

- Sparrow, R. (2008). Is it "Every Man's Right to Have Babies If He Wants Them"?: Male Pregnancy and the Limits of Reproductive Liberty, *Kennedy Institute of Ethics Journal*, 18(3): 275-299
- O'Donovan, L, N.J. Williams, and S. Wilkinson. (2019). Ethical and policy issues raised by uterus transplants, *British Medical Bulletin*, 131(1): 19-28

Mar 12, 2021: *The Ethics of Consumer Genetic Testing*

- Vayena, E. (2015). Direct-to-consumer genomics on the scales of autonomy, *Journal of Medical Ethics*, 41: 310-314
- Messner, D. (2011). Informed choice in direct-to-consumer genetic testing for Alzheimer and other diseases: lessons from two cases, *New Genetics and Society*, 30(1): 59-72

Easter Term: Philosophy and Policy

May 7, 2021: *The Role of Philosophers in Public Policymaking*

- Brock, Dan W. (1987). Truth or Consequences: The role of philosophers in policy-making, *Ethics*, 97(4): 786-791
- Anonymous. (under review.) Truth and Consequences

May 14, 2021: *Issues in Cost-Effectiveness Analysis*

- Bognar, Greg, and Iwao Hirose. (2014). 'Ethics and cost-effectiveness' in *The Ethics of Health Care Rationing: An Introduction*, London: Routledge: Chapter 3 (*background reading*)
- Orr, Shepley, and Jonathan Wolff. (2014). Reconciling cost-effectiveness with the rule of rescue: the institutional division of moral labour, *Theory and Decision*, 78: 525-538 (*core reading*)
- John, Tyler M., Joseph Millum, and David Wasserman. (2017). How to Allocate Scarce Health Resources Without Discriminating Against People With Disabilities, *Economics & Philosophy*, 33(2): 161-186 (*core reading*)

May 21, 2021: *Social Welfare Functions*

- Adler, Matthew D. (2019). 'Social Welfare Functions' in Ole F. Norheim, Ezekiel J. Emanuel and Joseph Millum, eds. *Global Health Priority Setting: Beyond Cost-Effectiveness*, New York: Oxford University Press: Chapter. 8
- Budolfson, Mark, and Dean Spears. (2020). 'Public Policy, Consequentialism, the Environment, and Nonhuman Animals' in Douglas W. Portmore, ed. *The Oxford Handbook of Consequentialism*, New York: Oxford University Press: Chapter. 31

May 28, 2021: *Uncertainty*

- Mongin, Philippe, and Marcus Pivato. (2016). 'Social Evaluation under Risk and Uncertainty' in Matthew D. Adler and Marc Fleurbaey, eds. *The Oxford Handbook of Well-Being and Public Policy*, New York: Oxford University Press: Chapter 23 (*background reading*)
- Fleurbaey, Marc and Alex Voorhoeve. (2013). 'Decide as You Would with Full Information! An Argument against ex ante Pareto', in Ole Norheim, Samia Hurst, Nir Eyal & Dan Wikler, eds. *Inequalities in Health: Concepts, Measures, and Ethics*, New York: Oxford University Press: Chapter 7 (*core reading*)
- Frick, Johann. (2013). 'Uncertainty and Justifiability to Each Person', in Ole Norheim, Samia Hurst, Nir Eyal & Dan Wikler, eds. *Inequalities in Health: Concepts, Measures, and Ethics*, New York: Oxford University Press: Chapter 8 (*core reading*)

Jun 4, 2021: *Experts*

- Lane, Melissa. (2014). When the experts are uncertain: scientific knowledge and the ethics of democratic judgment, *Episteme*, 11(1): 97–118
- Keohane, Robert O., Melissa Lane, and Michael Oppenheimer. (2014). The ethics of scientific communication under uncertainty, *Politics, Philosophy and Economics*, 13(4): 343-368

Jun 11, 2021: *Policy and the Future*

- Broome, John. (2016). 'The Well-Being of Future Generations' in Mathew D. Adler and Marc Fleurbaey, eds. *The Oxford Handbook of Well-Being and Public Policy*, New York: Oxford University Press: Chapter 29
- Fleurbaey, Marc, et al. (2019). The Social Cost of Carbon: Valuing Inequality, Risk, and Population for Climate Policy, *The Monist*, 102: 84-109

June 18, 2021: *Paternalism in Policymaking*

- Hanna, Jason. (2018). *In Our Best Interest: A Defense of Paternalism*, New York: Oxford University Press: Chapter. 1
- Conly, Sarah. (2013). *Against Autonomy: Justifying Coercive Paternalism*, New York: Cambridge University Press: Chapter. 6