

ETHICS GRAND ROUNDS

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The number of both print and open access (OA) journals has increased dramatically. Although electronic availability of information on the Internet offers great potential for information sharing, it also gives rise to “predatory” journals and deceptive publishers that target naïve academic authors with false promises of easily fulfilling their “publish or perish” obligation. Legitimate and respected OA journals also exist. This talk will focus on the potential professional and ethical perils of publishing in “predatory” journals, as well as the opportunities and barriers associated with publishing in legitimate OA journals. Although it is difficult to distinguish between the two types of OA journals, I will suggest methods to help identify those that may not be legitimate. Unfortunately, this is not a simple task; there is no shortcut. Rather, it takes some effort—on the part of authors, mentors, colleagues, professional organizations, and librarians—and possibly IRBs and bioethics committees.

Ethics Grand Rounds videos are available a few days after the lecture at:
<http://hdl.handle.net/2152.5/1292>

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Target Audience: Physicians, faculty, fellows, residents, trainees, students, nurses, health care professionals. **Educational Objectives:** At the conclusion of this activity, the participant should be able to: 1) Recognize perennial and emerging bioethical problems in clinical practice, research, public health, and health policy arenas. 2) Describe competing/contrasting viewpoints concerning these bioethical problems. 3) Demonstrate increased skills in analyzing and practically handling bioethical problems in the clinical, research, public health, and health policy arenas. **Educational Method:** Lecture and question-and-answer period. **Accreditation:** The University of Texas Southwestern Medical Center is accredited by the Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education to provide continuing medical education for physicians. **Credit Designation:** The University of Texas Southwestern Medical Center designates this live activity for a maximum of 1 *AMA PRA Category 1 Credit(s)*[™]. Physicians should claim only the credit commensurate with the extent of their participation in the activity. The University of Texas Southwestern Medical Center designates this activity for 1 hour(s) in medical ethics and/or professional responsibility. **Conflict of Interest:** All persons in the position to control the content of an education activity are required to disclose all relevant financial relationships in any amount occurring within the past 12 months with any entity producing, marketing, re-selling, or distributing health care goods or services consumed by, or used on patients. A primary mechanism to resolve identified conflicts of interest is a content review that is prior to the activity. **Off-Label Uses:** Because this course is meant to educate physicians with what is currently in use and what may be available in the future, there may be “off-label” use discussed in the presentation. Speakers have been requested to inform the audience when off-label use is discussed.

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