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“Personalised medicine” – medicine for the person?
Ethical challenges for medical research and practice

SECOND ANNOUNCEMENT
CALL FOR ABSTRACTS

The Institute for Medical Ethics and History of Medicine, Ruhr University Bochum, Germany, and the European Association of Centres of Medical Ethics (EACME) will organise the EACME annual conference in 2013. The conference will be organised in cooperation with the Centre for Medical Ethics Bochum and supported by the Research Ethics Committee of the Medical Faculty, Ruhr University Bochum.

Abstracts addressing ethical dimensions in the following topics can be submitted:

- **Patient as person in medicine:**
  - Philosophical and anthropological foundations
  - Psychosocial aspects
  - “Personalised medicine” versus patient-centred medicine?
  - Genetic determinism
  - Direct-to-consumer testing

- **Clinical practice:**
  - Patient-doctor relationship
  - Respect for the person and decision-making
  - “Personalised medicine” in clinical specialties (e.g. oncology, psychiatry, cardiology)
  - Concepts of care and “personalised medicine”

- **Research in “personalised medicine”:**
  - Ethical issues of genetic biomarkers and biobanking
  - Informed choice and genetic research
  - Conflicts of interest in public and private funding

- **Health-care systems:**
  - Priority setting, resource allocation and opportunity costs
  - Public health genomics
  - Policy and regulation of “personalised medicine”
  - Global and demographic challenges

**Plenary speakers:** Prof. George Browman (Vancouver); Prof. Peter Dabrock (Erlangen); Prof. Wolfgang Lieb (Kiel); Prof. Barbara Prainsack (London); Prof. Silke Schicktanz (Göttingen); Dr. Mark Sheehan (Oxford); Prof. Jochen Vollmann (Bochum); Prof. Jürgen Windeler (Cologne)

The programme of the conference includes plenary sessions as well as parallel sessions. People wishing to present papers at the conference are invited to submit an abstract addressing one of the conference topics (500 words maximum) **before 1 March, 2013**. Please submit abstracts on [www.eacme2013.org](http://www.eacme2013.org). EACME invites applications of junior scholars for the **EACME Prize**. For further information, please visit the conference website www.eacme2013.org.

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