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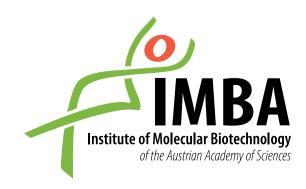
APRIL 5TH 2017 START: 9:30 AM IMBA INSTITUTE OF MOLECULAR BIOTECHNOLOGY IMBA LECTURE HALL DR. BOHR-GASSE 3, 1030 VIENNA



BIOETHICS SYMPOSIUM

APRIL 5TH 2017 IMBA LECTURE HALL 9:30 - 16:00

The Bioethics Symposium at IMBA will discuss the main challenges arising from recent advancements in life sciences. New technologies like stem cell research, organoids and genome editing have raised enormous expectations within the biomedical research community, patients and the general public. At the same time many ethical questions have emerged and need to be discussed in an open dialogue.



The Bioethics Symposium will be held at IMBA and addresses the scientific community, opinion leaders from diverse fields, and the interested public. Its aim is to foster a dialogue on ethical up-to-date issues like data sharing, biobanking, genome editing, stem cell and organoid research and raise awareness for responsible research. The goal is to bridge biotechnological research and relevant ethical aspects as well as to encourage an interdisciplinary dialogue, and to highlight best practice examples.

PROGRAM:

10:00 am	Welcome	Address	bv	Iürgen	Knoblich
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10:10 am Christiane Druml, Head of the Austrian Bioethics Commission and

UNESCO Chair in Bioethics

"Bioethics in Austria – structures and content"

10:40 am Annelien Bredenoord, Utrecht University

"Ethical challenges arising from organoid research"

Coffee Break

11:30 am Carol Smee, Regulatory & Ethical Compliance Manager, Sanger Institute,

Cambridge

"Regulation of iPSC research – a UK research institute's perspective"

12:00 pm Sarion Bowers, Policy Lead, Sanger Institute, Cambridge

"Mechanisms and principles of data sharing"

12:30 pm Johannes Starkbaum, University of Vienna

"Ethical challenges arising from biobanks"

Lunch break

14:00 pm Ulrich Körtner, University of Vienna

"Theological Aspects of Bioethics"

14:30 pm Panel Discussion

Moderation by Gertraud Leimüller

- Martha Feucht, Psychiatrist, Medical University Vienna
- Erich Griessler, Group Leader Techno-Science and Societal Transformation, Institute for Higher Studies (IHS), Vienna,
- Ulrich Körtner, Theologian, Medical Ethicist, Medical University Vienna
- Marc Elsberg, Bestselling Science Thriller Author (Blackout, Zero, Helix)
- Jürgen Knoblich, Senior Scientist & Deputy Scientific Director, IMBA

