

Promoting Dual Use Ethics

Inaugural Event of the Newly Designated WHO Collaborating Centre for Bioethics at the Centre for Applied Philosophy and Public Ethics, Australian National University



28-29 January 2010
Common Room, University House
The Australian National University

Co-organized by Centre for Applied Philosophy and Public Ethics (CAPPE), the National Centre for Biosecurity, and University of Exeter as part of a Wellcome Trust Biomedical Ethics Enhancement project on “Building a Sustainable Capacity in Dual Use Bioethics”.



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Program

DAY ONE: Potentials, Problems, and Prospects	
8:30 -9:00 Coffee	
9:00-9:15 Welcome and Offering of the WHO Flag to the Newly Designated Collaborating Centre	
	Professor Mandy Thomas (Pro Vice-Chancellor, Research & Graduate Studies, ANU) Andreas Reis (WHO)
9:15-10:45 Session #1.1 Where are We and How did We get Here?	
	Ian Ramshaw (ANU) "The Mousepox Experience" Ray Zilinskas (Monterey Institute) "Botulinum Toxin: For Good and, Perhaps, for Evil" Brian Rappert (University of Exeter) "Openings: Dual Use, Education, & Ethics"
10:45-11:15 Coffee Break	
11:15-13:15 Session #1.2 Mapping the Terrain: Developments, Dilemmas, and Ethical Debates	
	Jim Whitman (University of Bradford) "Nanotechnology and Dual-Use Dilemmas" Malcolm Dando (University of Bradford) "Some Dual Use Neuroscience of Concern"

	<p>Alexander Kelle (University of Bath) “Synthetic Biology as a Field of a Dual-Use Bioethical Concern”</p> <p>Simon Whitby (University of Bradford) “Agrobiolology: Crops Agents, Phytopathology, and Ethical Dilemmas”</p>
<p>13:15-14:15 Lunch</p>	
<p>14:15-15:15 Session #1.3 Biosecurity, Dual Use and Public Policy</p>	
	<p>Emmanuelle Tuerlings (World Health Organization) “WHO Project on Responsible Life Science Research”</p> <p>Rob Floyd (Department of Prime Minister and Cabinet) “Dual-use Dilemmas and Biological Sciences: Australian Policy Considerations”</p> <p>Harvey Rubin (University of Pennsylvania) “NSABB and the Global Infectious Disease Compact”</p>
<p>15:15-15:30 Coffee Break</p>	
<p>15:30-17:00 Session #1.4 Dual Use Ethics Education</p>	
	<p>Jane Johnson (Macquarie University) “Ethics Education for Scientists - Challenges and Strategies”</p> <p>Christian Enemark (University of Sydney) “Experiences in Australia”</p> <p>Judi Sture (University of Bradford) “Private Morals and Public Ethics: Cultural Aspects of</p>

	Moral Development and Ethical Learning”
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The following will be held in The Scarth Room, University House:

18:00

Drinks

18:30

Dinner Talk

Oron Catts (University of Western Australia)

“The Third Use--The Ethical Claims of Biological Arts”

19:00

Dinner

DAY TWO: Ethical Deliberation

9:00-10:00

Session #2.1

Dual Use Ethics: Progress and Potential

Michael Selgelid (CAPPE, ANU)
“Ethics Engagement of the Dual Use Dilemma: Progress and Potential”

Andreas Reis (World Health Organization)
“UN and WHO Perspective”

10:00-11:00

Session #2.2

Ethical Science and Scientific Freedom

John Forge (University of Sydney)
“Responsible Dual Use”

Rob Sparrow (Monash University)
“Freedom of Research and Freedom of Speech”

11:00-11:30

Coffee Break

11:30-13:00

Session #2.3

Ethical Decision Making and Action

Tom Douglas (Oxford)
“An Expected-Value Approach to the Dual Use Problem”

Susanne Uniacke (University of Hull)
“Is ‘Double Effect’ Relevant to the Ethics of Dual Use?”

Christian Barry (CAPPE, ANU)
“Enabling Harm and the Dual Use Problem”

13:00-14:00

Lunch

<p>14:00-15:30 Session #2.4 Risk Management</p>	
	<p>Mike Smithson (ANU) “Unknowns in Dual Use Dilemmas”</p> <p>Jean Chesson (Department of Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry) “Risk Assessment”</p> <p>Steve Clarke (Oxford) “The Precautionary Principle and the Dual Use Dilemma”</p>
<p>15:30-16:00 Coffee Break</p>	
<p>16:00-17:00 Session #2.5 Group Responsibility</p>	
	<p>Seumas Miller (CAPPE, ANU) “Collective Responsibility and Dual Use”</p> <p>Malcolm Dando (Bradford University) “Web of Prevention”</p>
<p>17:00-17:30 Session #2.6 The Way Forward</p>	
	<p>Panel/Group Discussion</p>

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