

Announcing the Stanford Journal of Law, Science & Policy Symposium on

Biobanking, Bioethics, & The Law

When: September 26th, 2008, starting at 9:15 AM

Where: Stanford Law School, Stanford, CA

Co-sponsored by Stanford's CIRGE and the Stanford Research Compliance Office.

The Symposium will bring together researchers, Institutional Review Board Members, Legal Ethicists, members of the biotech industry, and members of the Office for Human Research Protections at the National Institutes of Health to discuss the emerging legal and ethical issues surrounding the increasing use of biobanks.

Biobanking, the storage of human tissues and DNA for future genetic research, is an increasingly common research endeavor both in the United States and internationally. While biobanks provide invaluable genetic information for the exploration and potential cures of many diseases, they also pose a number of ethical, legal, and social challenges. The current confusion about the rights of donors and the best practices for research is hurting Biobanks and slowing scientific progress. This state of uncertainty cannot continue and will likely lead to new federal laws, new regulations, or increased litigation over the rights of biobank donors.

The Symposium will examine the current issues around biobanking in order to produce a series of best practices, to be published in the inaugural issue of the Stanford Journal of Law, Science & Policy.

Confirmed speakers include:

Rex Chisholm, NuGene, Northwestern University

Doug Levinson, Stanford University

Scott Vandenberg, University of California San Francisco

Marianna Bledsoe, NIH

Elena Grigorenko, National Children's Health Project, Yale University

Julie Kaneshiro, Office for Human Research Protections

Elizabeth Peloso, Research Compliance Officer, University of Delaware

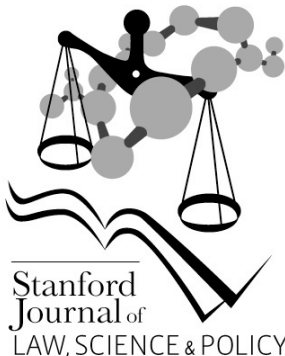
Susan Stayn, Counsel, Stanford University

Hakon Hakonarson, Children's Hospital of Philadelphia

Kelly Ormond, Stanford University

David Resnik, NIEHS

Ellen Wright Clayton, Vanderbilt Law



Registration fee: \$30, free to students.

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