

UPDATES & ACTIVITIES

PAIGE CUNNINGHAM, JD, PHD

- Wrote a column for the Winter 2017 issue of *Salvo* on research ethics and retractions in science publishing.
- Interviewed in February about the first cloned monkey on “Let’s Talk with Mark Elfstrand” (WYLL Chicago).
- Interviewed in February about the uterus transplant baby (“Brian and Kathleen,” Moody Radio Cleveland)
- Interviewed in January by Kristen Flavin for *WORLD Magazine’s* “The World and Everything in It” podcast on the first baby born in the U.S. from a womb transplant.
- Interviewed in January with Vernacular Podcast examining abortion’s legal history in the U.S.

MICHAEL SLEASMAN, PHD

- Published the entry on “Bioethics” in the *Evangelical Dictionary of Theology*, edited by Daniel Treier and Walter Elwell (Baker Academic, 2017).
- Served as the guest editor with D. Christopher Ralston for a special themed issue on “Bioethics” for the *Journal of the Christian Institute on Disability* (Spring/Summer, Fall/Winter 2017).

MICHAEL COX, PHD

- Facilitated the Spring Theological Bioethics Roundtable Discussions of Jonathan Wilson’s *God’s Good World: Reclaiming the Doctrine of Creation* (Baker Academic, 2013).

BRYAN JUST

- Presented “The Ante-Nicene Fathers on Abortion: Contrasts to the Prevailing Greek, Roman, and Jewish Cultures” as a parallel paper presentation at CBHD’s summer conference.

HEATHER ZEIGER, MA

- Published column on “Porn Planet” in the Winter 2017 issue of *Salvo*. In August published “Silicon Valley’s Creepy Obsession with Longevity” on MercatorNet.

7th Annual Academy of Fellows Consultation

The Center hosted its 7th annual Academy of Fellows consultation in mid-February exploring the topic, “Genetics, CRISPR, and Beyond?” Presentations by William Hurlbut, MD; Kevin FitzGerald, SJ, PhD, PhD; and Russell DiSilvestro, PhD explored different aspects of the challenges and opportunities presented by emerging CRISPR technologies at the forefront of ethics and gene editing, and were followed by an extended time of reflection and discussion among the Fellows as they sought to provide guidance for the Center on this important issue. Videos of the presentations are available at <https://cbhd.org/genetics-crispr-and-beyond>. In addition to these important deliberations, the academy welcomed Dr. FitzGerald as a new Senior Fellow.

Inspiring the Next Generation of Bioethics Scholarship

CBHD launched its first ever Student Paper Competition this Fall in conjunction with its 25th annual conference. Undergraduate, graduate, seminary, and doctoral students were invited to engage questions from a Christian perspective associated with foundational or emerging issues raised at the intersections of medicine, science, technology, and our common humanity. The winning paper will be published in a future issue of *Dignitas*. In addition, the author will receive a complimentary conference registration, cash prize of \$250, and the opportunity to present the paper during a parallel paper session at the conference. More information about the 2019 Student Paper Competition can be found at <https://cbhd.org/conf2019/student-competition>.



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On the CBHD Bookshelf

For those interested in knowing what books and articles the Center staff have been reading and thought worth highlighting.

- Biffi, Alessandra. “Gene Therapy as a Curative Option for β -Thalassemia.” *New England Journal of Medicine* 378, no. 16 (2018): 1551–1552.
- Choi, Katherine, Yevgeniy Gitelman, and David Asch. “Subscribing to Your Patients—Reimagining the Future of Electronic Health Records.” *New England Journal of Medicine* 378, no. 21 (2018): 1960–1962.
- Dalrymple, Theodore. “Letter to an Aspiring Doctor.” *First Things* 288 (December 2018): 39–44.

- Liljenquist, Dan, Ge Bai, and Gerard Anderson. “Addressing Generic-Drug Market Failures—The Case for Establishing a Nonprofit Manufacturer.” *New England Journal of Medicine* 378, no. 20 (2018): 1857–1859.
- Obermeyer, Ziad, and Thomas Lee. “Lost in Thought—The Limits of the Human Mind and the Future of Medicine.” *New England Journal of Medicine* 377, no. 13 (2017): 1209–1211.
- Saunders, Carol, Anne Rutkowski, Jon Pluyter, and Ronald Spanjers. “Health Information Technologies: From Hazardous to the Dark Side.” *Journal of the Association for Information Science and Technology* 67, no. 7 (2016): 1767–1772.

- Studnicki, James, John Fisher, Charles Donovan, David Prentice, and Sharon MacKinnon. “Improving Maternal Mortality: Comprehensive Reporting for All Pregnancy Outcomes.” *Open Journal of Preventive Medicine* 7, no. 8 (2017): 162–181.
- Thompson, A., M. Walters, J. Kwiatkowski et al. “Gene Therapy in Patients with Transfusion-Dependent β -Thalassemia.” *New England Journal of Medicine* 378, no. 16 (2018): 1479–1493.
- Tullius, Stefan, and Hamid Rabb. “Improving the Supply and Quality of Deceased-Donor Organs for Transplantation.” *New England Journal of Medicine* 378, no. 20 (2018): 1920–1929.