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His research primarily focuses on public health ethics (especially regarding infectious disease) and ethical issues associated with biotechnology. Michael edits a book series in "Public Health Ethics Analysis" for Springer-Nature, and he is Co-Editor of Monash Bioethics Review. Among numerous other engagements with the World Health Organisation he has served on WHO International Health Regulations (IHR) emergency committees regarding Ebola and Zika. In 2015 he was commissioned by the US National Institutes of Health (NIH) to produce a White Paper on ethical issues associated with gain-of-function research; and he led a recently completed project, commissioned by The Wellcome Trust, on ethical issues associated with human challenge studies in endemic settings. Michael earned a BS in Biomedical Engineering from Duke University; and a PhD in Philosophy from the University of California, San Diego.



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