The 14th Nagasaki International Course on Research Ethics

Pompe Hall in Sakamoto Campus, Nagasaki University, Nagasaki, Japan
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Course description

This international course is an overview of research ethics, focusing on the ethics of health research. This course will cover the following: a) historical background, principles, and guidelines of research ethics; b) structure, roles, and functions of research ethics committees; c) ethical considerations in health research such as those related to informed consent, conflict of interest, and risk and benefit evaluation; and d) ethical issues and methodologies in different health research fields (genetics research, epidemiological and social research, pediatric research; and traditional medicine research) in the context of national, regional, and international collaborative research.

Course objectives

The general objectives of this course are: a) To demonstrate a common understanding of the ethical principles in health research and b) To utilize the ethical principles in reviewing different considerations and issues related to various health research fields.

Course format

This course will (to a large extent) be organized as interactive learning where the participants will work on a number of problem cases. The case studies will illustrate the main points made in the lectures and presentations. It will be a three-day intensive course. English is a common language in the course, however, the lecturers and mentors are able to communicate in other 5 languages, *i.e.* Japanese, Filipino, Thai, Korean, Chinese and Vietnam. Comprehensive background materials will be provided to the participants.

Course participants

The target participants for this course are postgraduate students and researchers in biomedical sciences (including health social sciences) and members of research ethics committees.

Course organizers

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Faculty

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Other Mentor: Hiroshi Sato (Niigata University), Nguyen Tien Huy (Nagasaki University)

Course venue

Pompe Hall in Sakamoto Campus, Nagasaki University

Course fee

Free to all participants (meals, accommodation, and travel are not included).

The course is financially supported by the Institute of Tropical Medicine (NEKKEN) and SIDCER to facilitate the ethical conduct of research for health.

Application

Please send your name, affiliation, e-mail address, accommodation arrangement by e-mail to Ms. Junko Hayashima and cc to Prof. Dr. Kenji Hirayama.

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Course outline (draft agenda)

First Day
June 28 (Sunday)

08:45 ***Inaugural session***

Facilitators: Juntra Karbwang, Hitoshi Sasaki, Kenji Hirayama

Introduction to the workshop

Presentation of participants

09:15 ***Introduction to research ethics:***

History and the need of ethical review system

Juntra Karbwang (Nagasaki University, Japan)

10:00 Coffee/Tea break

10:30 ***Roles and functions of research ethics committees***

Eiji Uchida (Showa University)

11:15 ***Informed consent***

Cristina Torres (FERCAP-Philippines)

12:00 Lunch

13:00 ***Conflict of interest***

Xueqin Wang (Peking University Sixth, China)

13:30 ***Risks and benefits evaluation***

Cristina Torres (FERCAP-Philippines)

14:15 Coffee/Tea break

14:30 ***Case Study 1: Group discussion***

Facilitators: Xueqin Wang, Cristina Torres, Eiji Uchida, Hiroshi Sato, Kenji Hirayama, Juntra Karbwang, Nguyen Tien Huy

15:30 ***Case Study 1: Reporting and Plenary discussion***

Moderators: Xueqin Wang, Cristina Torres

17:00 End of day one

Second Day
June 29 (Monday)

08:30 ***Ethical issues in pharmacogenomics research***

Kenji Hirayama (Nagasaki University Japan)

09:00 ***Ethical issues in psychiatric research***

Xueqin Wang (Peking University Sixth, China)

09:45 ***Ethical issues in epidemiological and social research***

Cristina Torres (FERCAP-Philippines)

10:30 Coffee/Tea break

11:00 ***Ethical issues in pediatric research***

Nao Tsuchida ( )

12:00 Lunch

13:00 ***Ethical issues in traditional medicine research***

Kiichiro Tsutani (Tokyo Ariake University of Medical and Health Sciences, Japan)

14:00 ***Case Study 2: Group discussion***

Facilitators: Xeuqin Wang, Kiichiro Tsutani, Nao Tsuchida, Cristina Torres, Hiroshi Sato, Kenji Hirayama, Akiko Matsuyama, Juntra Karbwang

15:00 Coffee/Tea break

15:30 ***Case Study 2: Reporting and Plenary discussion***

Moderators: Akiko Matsuyama, Cristina Torres

17:00 End of day two

Third Day
June 30 (Tuesday)

09:00 ***Ethical issues in international health research:***

Study design, informed consent, level of care, post trial benefit

Akiko Matsuyama (Nagasaki University)

Cristina Torres (FERCAP-Philippines)

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Juntra Karbwang (Nagasaki University, Japan)

10:30 Coffee/Tea break

11:00 ***Plenary discussion***

Moderators: Akiko Matsuyama, Cristina Torres, Juntra Karbwang

12:00 ***Presentation of certificate***

Juntra Karbwang, Kenji Hirayama

End of the course