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Top stories in this newsletter

In the News: Gene-editing attempted for the first time in human body

Gene-editing has recently been attempted for the first time within the human body. Through an IV, an individual with Hunter's Syndrome received billions of copies of a corrective gene, together with genetic tools to cut his DNA in the right position. If the individual responds well to the procedure, a further nine patients will receive it as well. Read more here.

In Commentary: Elderly care in the age of technology

How should we conceive of elderly care in a world with increasing new technologies and automation? In this commentary piece, the author argues that new technologies can be used to inform us about the deficiencies and blind spots in our current laws. Read more here.

In Entertainment: ‘Teaching Medicine and Medical Ethics Using Popular Culture’

A recently published book, entitled ‘Teaching Medicine and Medical Ethics Using Popular Culture’, demonstrates how popular medical television dramas such as ‘House’ and ‘Grey’s Anatomy’ can be effectively included in medical and health science curriculums. The book explores examples of such medical-themed popular culture and suggests different ways in which educators can use this material. Read more here.

Feature: Ineffective regulation of therapists

This BBC article explores the problems associated with the ineffective regulation of therapists through the stories of two sexual abuse victims who were tragically further abused by their respective counsellors and psychotherapist. Read more here.

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