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Concept Clearance

**BIOETHICS RESEARCH IN BIOMEDICAL AND
TRANSLATIONAL SCIENCE**

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Background

- Ethical challenges arise in the design, conduct, implementation, and dissemination of biomedical research across the entire translation spectrum
- Bioethics research questions span all scientific domains and many cross domains
- Ethical, legal, and social issues can arise at multiple stages of research
- Many issues require empiric data to address the question; normative frameworks are also valuable
- Currently no mechanism for targeting high priority bioethics areas of interest to NIH

Summary of Concept

- Significant bioethical, legal, or social question impacting ongoing/future research or its translation
- Results expected to contribute knowledge that will enhance ethical conduct, application, social value of biomedical and translational research
- Questions in all biomedical scientific domains eligible
- Questions impacting all phases/types of research eligible; e.g., basic, pre-clinical, clinical, clinical implementation, or population health
- Empirical and conceptual bioethics research allowed
- Dedicated review in CSR and cross IC collaboration

Why NCATS?

- Ethical, legal, or social issues impede advance of discoveries into improved health
- Engage bioethicists, legal scholars, and social researchers in translation
- Address unmet systemic need for knowledge addressing high priority ethical challenges
- Projects require collaboration of multiple disciplines, domains, and/or funders
- Likely to have a transformative impact on translation
- Trans-NIH initiative leadership