

**Bioethics Research: Contemporary Debates**

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**Issues with guided human embryonic stem cell generation**

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**Talk Summary**

Human embryonic stem cell research is one of the most controversial research techniques of the last century due to the ethical questions revolving around embryo destruction. The first portion of the talk will be an argument that the current techniques and protocols used to avoid these ethical controversies are not just insufficient but unnecessary. The second half will discuss upon ethical issues involved gamete donor recruitment and compensation.

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