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**Conducting research and innovation in the context of global health emergencies: what are the ethical challenges?**

***Friday 9 December 2016***

***28 Bedford Square, London WC1B 3JS***

10:00

**Introduction from the Chair**, Jonathan Montgomery

10:05-10:45

**Tensions between response (to emergencies of various kinds) and research**

* How do humanitarian response and diverse forms of research/innovation fit together?
* Access to innovative therapies – questions of participant selection/ fair access where research interventions represent only hope of treatment?
* Tensions between research and care ethics - scope for a new ethics of ‘research as response’?

10:45-11.30

**Research conduct and governance in GHEs: specific challenges**

* Involvement of local communities – whose voices are heard and where does the power lie?
* Standards of evidence/ governance/ ethical review – justification for different approaches in emergencies?
* Adaptive trial designs
* Role/ limitations of anticipatory scrutiny

11:30-12:00: COFFEE BREAK

12:00-12:45

**Setting priorities and challenges of collaboration**

* Who makes decisions, how and where? - setting research priorities from global to local level
* Responsibilities of funders (public/private/charitable) with respect to wider impacts of funding choices and sustainability
* Collaboration and oversight – ethical responsibilities on those with power to cooperate?

12:45-13.30

**Are there ‘ethical gaps’ and who should plug them?**

* Open discussion

**13:30** LUNCH