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Dear Colleague:

For the past four years the Institute of Society, Ethics and the Life Sciences has been focusing on what may be the most awesome development of our century--man's effort to control his own nature and evolution through remarkable advances in biology and medicine.

In order to keep interested professionals and laypersons abreast of the issues involved in this "biological revolution" we have initiated a series of publications which reflect the thinking of scientists, clinicians, philosophers, theologians and lawyers on such topics as genetic counseling, euthanasia, population policy, psychotherapy--to mention only a few. In all our materials we try to advance the discussion and raise the level of ethical thinking on these topics.

The Hastings Center Report was the first interdisciplinary publication completely devoted to the social, legal and ethical aspects of the biological revolution. Each issue contains not only short articles of interest to all, but an annotated bibliography of the current literature.

The Hastings Center Studies, which appears three times a year, is a journal containing longer, more in-depth articles.

The annual Bibliography is a lengthy and comprehensive survey of the pertinent materials from all disciplines--medicine, philosophy, law, biology, ethics, sociology, theology.

All these publications, and other occasional materials, are available on a regular basis to Associate Members of the Institute. The enclosed folder has details on how you can become an Associate Member and join that rapidly growing group of individuals working at the interface of science and society.

I am enclosing a complimentary copy of the most recent issue of the Hastings Center Report so that you can see first-hand the scope and quality of materials which you as an Associate Member would receive. I hope you will send in the enclosed form today. We would welcome your participation.

Sincerely,



Daniel Callahan