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Research on Clinical Futility

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Clinical futility is one of the most difficult, important and controversial issues in medicine. Increased understanding of what constitutes futile treatment requires research. But this research itself raises difficult ethical issues, including informed consent, rationing and the proper role of clinician-scientists.

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