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EuroGentest2 is a European coordination action for the harmonization and further improvement of genetic services, especially genetic testing across Europe.

UPCOMING EVENTS
- 6èmes Assises de Génétique Humaie et Médicales, 24 Feb
- Up Close and Personalized, International Congress on Personalized Medicine, 2-5 Feb
- VII International Conference on Rare Diseases and Orphan Drugs, 4-6 Feb
- Workshop: An introduction to Quality Assurance in Genetic Diagnostic Laboratories, 6-7 Feb
- Workshop India: An introduction to Quality Assurance in Genetic Diagnostic Laboratories, 9-10 Feb
- Rare Cancers Conference 2012, 10 Feb
- BASIC WORKSHOP - Accreditation for beginners, how to implement ISO 15189, 23-24 Feb
- RE(Act) Congress, 29 Feb – 2 Mar

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Gene Values: a new blog on ethical and socio-economic dimensions of personalised medicine

EuroGentest member Dr Stuart Hogarth, King’s College London, has launched a new blog called genevalues, with a focus on the ethical and socio-economic dimensions of personalised medicine. Stuart has an international reputation for his work on the regulation of genetic testing and contributes to the policy coordination work of EuroGentest.

“Blogs are a great way to reach multiple audiences and to make public comment on topical issues in a way which is less formal and more accessible than a peer-reviewed article,” says Stuart.

Stuart’s first post is reveals that 23andme have filed for patents relating to the Parkinson’s Disease genes they discovered in their recent GWAS research on the disease.

Visit this blog on http://genevalues.wordpress.com/.

NEWLY PUBLISHED CLINICAL UTILITY GENE CARDS

! Newly published Clinical Utility Gene Cards for:
BEST1-related dystrophies (Bestrophinopathies) – 2012 Jan 11
Familial erythrocytosis – 2012 Jan 25
Haemophilia B – 2012 Jan 25
Werner syndrome – 2012 Jan 18

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OTHER NEWS
- Connect to EuroGentest on Linkedin
- In the participant section of the EuroGentest website, some interesting general documents from the EC website are highlighted and you can find information on the 18 month reporting and on time recording (participants only).