# The Bioethics and Law Center, Tel Aviv University International virtual conference: 

## COVID-19: Research, Ethics and the Quest for Cure

 Monday, November 9th, 2020, 05:00-7:00 pm (Israel) 03:00-5:00 pm (London) 10:00 am- Noon (EST)
## Synopsis

Since the onset of the COVID-19 pandemic, given the lack of proven treatment, an array of investigational therapies were used to treat patients. Some were provided as compassionate or support care and others were considered clinical trials. The line between the two was not always clear. In this conference, we focus on different ethical angles in the clinical research conducted towards achieving an effective and safe therapy for the disease by four distinguished scientists.

## Program (to register click here)

## 17:00-17:10 Opening remarks

Shlomit Zuckerman, PhD, MA, LL.B
Doctor of Bioethics, Deputy Director Bioethics and Law Center; Sackler Faculty of Medicine, Tel Aviv University

## 17:10-17:30 The paradox of autonomy and clinical trials in epidemic Yechiel Michael Barilan, MD, MA

Associate Professor, Department of Medical Education, Co-Director Bioethics and Law Center; Sackler Faculty of Medicine, Tel Aviv University

> 17:30-17:55 Ethics and COVID-19 Research Institutional Prioritization Jeremy Sugarman, MD, MPH, MA
> Harvey M. Meyerhoff Professor of Bioethics and Medicine Berman Institute of Bioethics \& School of Medicine, Johns Hopkins University

17:55-18:20 Reconciling individual and collective interests in early access to investigational treatments
Sarah Edwards, PHD
Professor of Bioethics, Dept. of Science \& Technology Studies, Faculty of Maths \& Physical Sciences, University College London

18:20-18:45 Repurposing Treatments for COVID-19: Lessons learned from Chasing My Cure David Fajgenbaum, MD, MBA, MSc
Professor of Medicine, Perelman School of Medicine, Division of Translational Medicine \& Human Genetics, University of Pennsylvania,

