



# World Medical Association Declaration of Helsinki

## Ethical Principles for Medical Research Involving Human Subjects

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### A. Introduction

1. The fundamental principle is that medical research involving human subjects must be based on the highest ethical standards.
  2. The rights of individual human subjects must be fully protected.
  3. The interests of the human subjects must prevail over the interests of science and society.
  4. The research must be based on a thorough knowledge of the nature and consequences of the research to be performed.
  5. The research must be justified in terms of the potential benefits to society.
  6. The research must be conducted in accordance with the ethical principles set forth in this Declaration.
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