

# **IPRO 308**

## **Creating an Artificial Pancreas**

### **Code of Ethics**

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## **Overarching Principle**

To develop an artificial pancreas that will effectively incorporate conventions of previous devices in addition to novel technologies in order to minimize distress experienced by individuals afflicted with diabetes.

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## **Law and Regulation**

- Pressure: Complete testing sessions before the deadline.  
Risk: Use of the lab at an unauthorized time, or use of an unauthorized lab.
- Pressure: Receive external funding from public and private grant.  
Risk: Falsification of information to make the project more eligible for the funding.
- Pressure: Immediate necessity of using a piece of equipment.  
Risk: Use of the equipment without having adequate training or permission.
- Pressure: Produce a design within the deadline.  
Risk: Infringe on patents by not doing the necessary research or by knowingly using a patented design.
- Canon: Obey federal and state laws; work within constraints and guidelines to make the technology efficient and reliable.**
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## **Contracts**

- Pressure: Receive credit for achievement.  
Risk: Individuals may take credit for tasks they have not done.
- Pressure: Receiving lab materials as soon as possible.  
Risk: Use of unethical means (borrowing without permission, for example) to obtain necessary materials.
- Canon: Respect the abilities and rights of all peers, colleagues, and other persons with whom he or she has contact.**
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## **Professional Codes**

- Pressure: Start lab work early to achieve more.  
Risk: Neglect to gather background information on lab techniques.
- Pressure: Gain approval from other team members by showing oneself as resourceful.

Risk: Not asking for assistance, even when required, and risking development of the project.

Pressure: Not receiving scrutiny from others.

Risk: Display negative emotion or becoming defensive about honest critique.

**Canon: Strive to use and apply the most accurate and current knowledge available, to welcome assistance from experts, to stay objective, and to be open to any possible scrutiny from others.**

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### **Industry Standards**

Pressure: Develop an affordable product.

Risk: Use materials and manufacturing processes that compromise the safety of product.

Pressure: Release the product in a timely fashion.

Risk: Sell a product that has not been tested for all parameters.

Risk: Sell a product that does not meet its design intent.

Pressure: Obtain meaningful results.

Risk: Alteration of data to suit testing hypothesis or anticipated results.

**Canon: Provide a product that is safe, reliable, and effective in fulfilling its design intent.**

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### **Community**

Pressure: Develop a product that aids the general consumer in living a healthier life.

Risk: Develop a product that may not be accessible to everyone in the market.

Pressure: Develop a product that satisfies all design parameters.

Risk: Develop a product that does not work safely or efficiently.

Pressure: Accommodate too many tasks for one lab session

Risk: Leave the lab unorganized and unsafe.

**Canon: Understand our responsibility to produce a product with the aim of bettering the community; prevent any irrevocable damage to the overall environment.**

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## **Personal Relations**

Pressure: Time constraints  
Risk: Not provide feedback to our outside partners and investors in a timely manner.

Pressure: Keep our relationship with our partners on good terms.  
Risk: Not provide constructive feedback.

Pressure: Maintain competitive edge.  
Risk: Using competitors' findings without notification and consent.

**Canon: Keep our relationships with our outside partners and acquaintances in a professional and respectable manner.**

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## **Moral Values**

Pressure: Develop a product that is marketable.  
Risk: Be untruthful in regards to product functionality.

Pressure: Develop a device that meets the design parameters.  
Risk: Develop a device that does compromises safety and efficiency at the price of aesthetics.

Pressure: Implement feedback from users that will improve the overall effectiveness of the product.  
Risk: Limit the influence of the product tester on the product.

**Canon: Respect and maintain honesty by avoiding deception to preserve the integrity of the project.**