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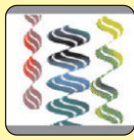
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BIOETHICS JOURNAL MEETING

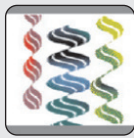
West African Bioethics Training Program (WAB) has resumed its Journal and Research Club meetings after a long hiatus. The fortnightly meetings offer an opportunity to all faculty members, students and members of staff of the University of Ibadan who have an interest in Bioethics to meet and discuss various topics relating to Bioethics. Recent meetings have featured presentations on:

- Culture of gift giving: setting the limit by Prof. S. Jegede
- Evaluation of protocols submitted to the Ethics Committee of the Obafemi Awolowo University Teaching Hospital (OAUTH), Ile-Ife, South-West, Nigeria from 2004 - 2011 by Dr. R. Bolarinwa
- Establishment of an accreditation system for health research ethics committees in Nigeria by Mr. U. Uwaeme

PHOTOGRAPHS FROM THE WAB JOURNAL AND RESEARCH CLUB MEETINGS



Dr. Bolarinwa, a current MSc. Bioethics student presenting his research proposal



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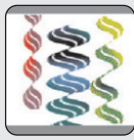
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Mr. Uwaeme, a current MSc. Bioethics student presenting his research proposal



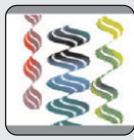
Cross-section of participants at the journal meeting, with Prof. Ajuwon (a faculty member) giving some comments on the presentation



Onsite/Institutional based step-down training

The following onsite trainings were conducted by West African Bioethics Training Program faculty members between May and August 2012:

- Research Integrity Workshop, held at the Institute of Human Virology, Abuja, from 21st - 22nd May, 2012.
- Nigerian Society of Physiotherapy's Scientific Writing Workshop, held at the Conference Room, McArthur Grant Office, University of Ibadan, from 3rd - 6th June, 2012.
- Advanced Research Methodology Course of the National Postgraduate Medical College of Nigeria, held at the National Sickle Cell Center, Idi-Araba, Lagos, from July 4th - 6th of July 2012.
- West African College of Physicians Course in Medical Ethics, held at the University College Hospital, Ibadan, from 2nd - 3rd of August 2012. Attendees at the training were Resident Doctors preparing for Part 1 Fellowship Examination.



STUDENT'S TRAINING

The current MSc. Bioethics students were in Abuja, Nigeria between 12th-14th April, 2012 to attend a fully sponsored workshop on manuscript/grant proposal writing organised by EditorsConsult and Journal Manager, Nigeria. Sponsorship included tuition, transportation, hotel accommodation and feeding. The students reported the workshop was inspiring and informative.

JOURNAL PUBLICATION

The following articles were recently submitted for publication by WAB faculty members and students;

- **Adeleye O, Ogundiran TO.** Knowledge of and training in research ethics in an African health research community. American Journal of Bioethics (Accepted March 27, 2012).
- **Fagbemi LO, Adebamowo CA.** Knowledge, attitude and practices of Nigerians towards genomic tests for complex diseases. American Journal of Bioethics.



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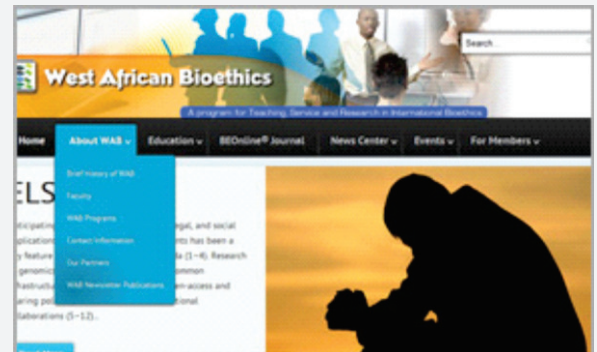
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Introducing the New WAB website

The New WAB website is a visually rich in design with unique style and acute attention to detail. The design brings life to our content, creating a positive user experience for visitors. It provides beautiful integrated styling for various website modules, such as varying layout modes, the Fusion Menu and content integration.



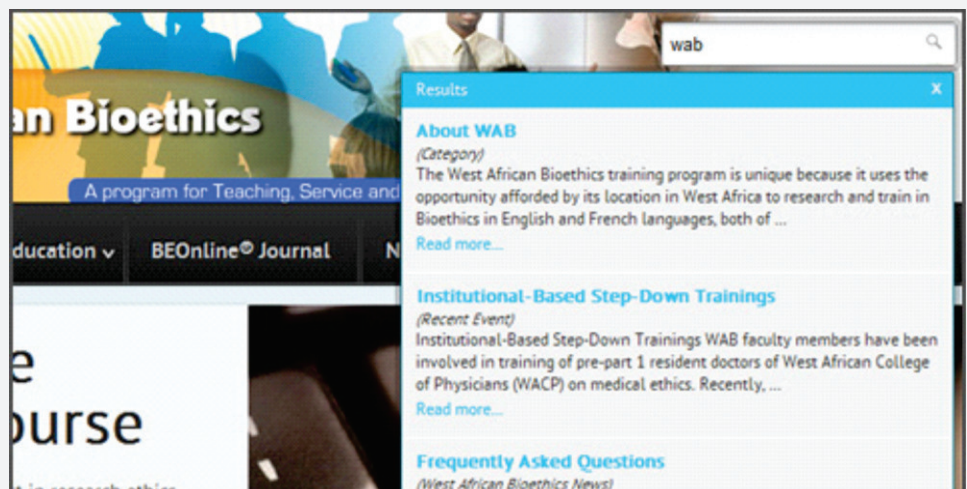
WAB now has 2 domain names (westafricanbioethics.net and bioethicscenter.net)

In the bid to provide excellent teaching and research services in Bioethics, we will like to bring it to your notice that WAB now has two domain names westafricanbioethics.net and bioethicscenter.net unified into one to foster better web presence.



Website Search made easy

The new WB website comes with integrated Ajax-powered search for quick on-page preview of search result. You can also navigate through the search result without leaving the page you are.





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Enhanced Navigation

With the new WAB website design, navigation has become very easy. You will almost find all you are looking for at a glance on the homepage. It is built to save time and optimize productivity

Ajax-Powered Real-time News

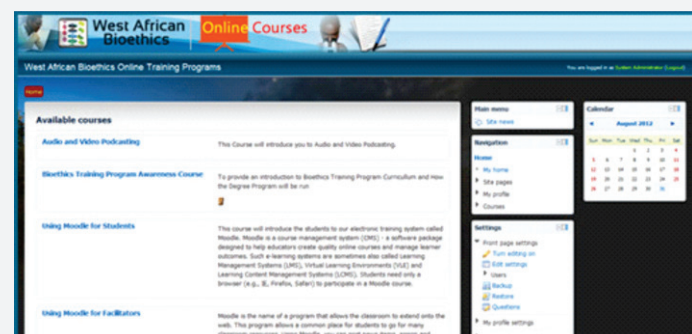
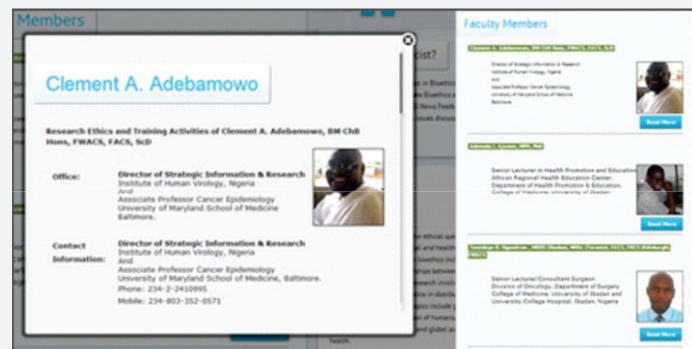
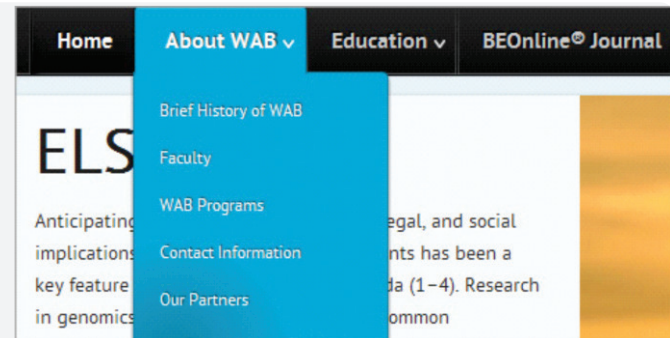
All new WAB website comes with real time preview of news/activities with navigation feature. The website also refreshes itself for navigation. You can click on read more link for full article access.

Faculty Members Profile Page

The new website comes with enhanced faculty member page which allows every faculty members to have profile page on the website.

All New Learning Portal

WAB has adopted MOODLE (Modular Object-Oriented Dynamic Learning Environment) has our online training courseware system. Moodle provides a collaborative medium, a place where we can all meet and read and write. Part of the project of the new website is to re-package the moodle website for better learning and performance; that has been well implemented





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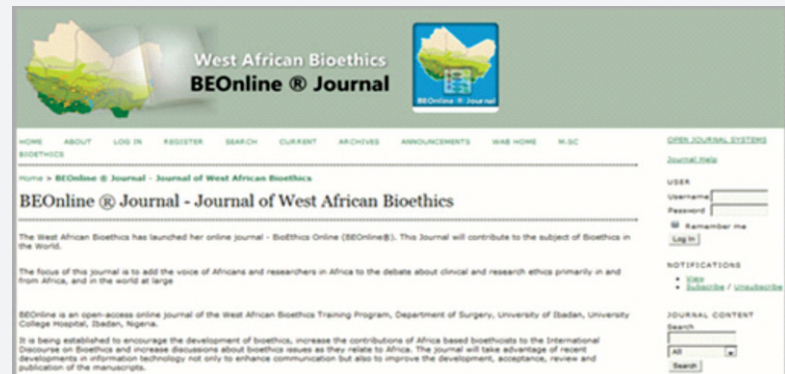
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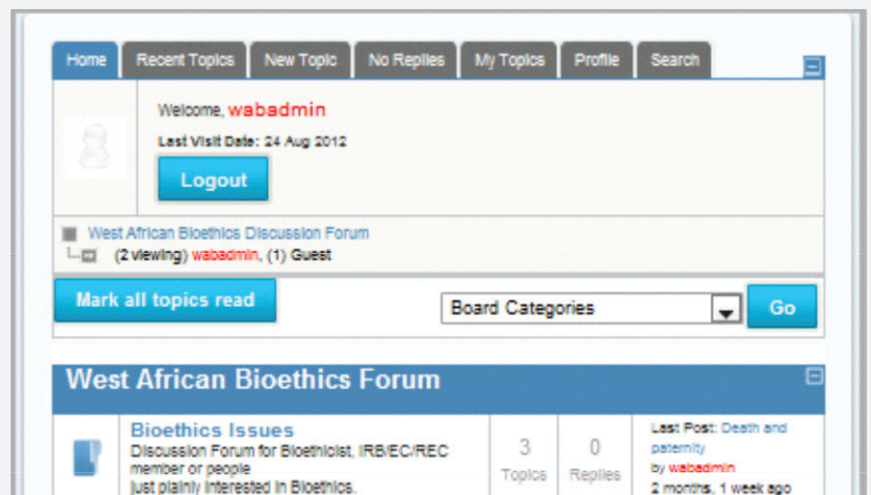
More effective BEOnline® Journal

The Journal website of WAB is now more effective with enhanced communication, notification and user friendly experience. Users can login and submit abstracts, articles and other content that we can publish on our journal website.



Discussion Forum

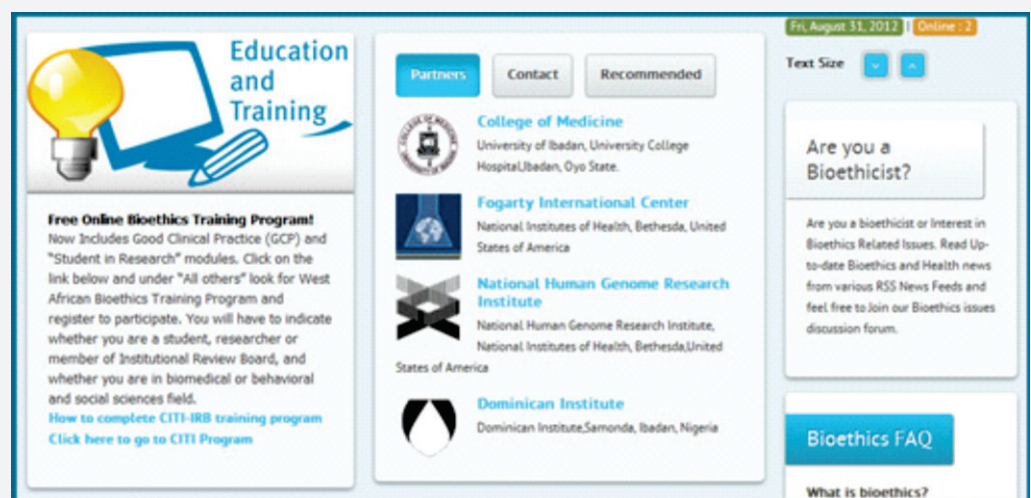
WAB has developed an online discussion forum to help strengthen the cord of relationship and follow-up on training and research activities.

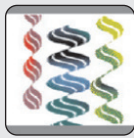


Personalize the website with Text

resizing to aid effective reading, Drag and Drop Tabs and many more

You can now personalize the WAB website to your taste with flexible tools like Text resizing to aid effective reading, personalized tabs and many more





BIOETHICS BABIES

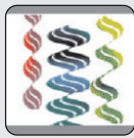
Dr. (Mrs.) Morisola Ogundipe, the WAB Program administrator delivered a baby girl on the 11th of May 2012 after which she was on maternity leave for two months. She wishes to use this medium to thank the entire members of staff and students of WAB for their support during this period.

The entire members of staff and students of WAB also rejoice with our current MSc. Bioethics student, Ms. Adefemi Oluwabukola who delivered a baby boy on the 26th of June 2012. She wishes to say a big thank to all staff members for supporting her during the pregnancy period and ensuring that her condition did not sabotage the opportunity she has as a Bioethics scholar. Ms. Adefemi is back to school, coping well and she gets enough support from all in pursuing her career.

The administrative staff welcomed her back to the program after two months of leave and Dr. (Mrs) Morisola Ogundipe, the Program administrator, on behalf of WAB presented a gift to her baby.



Dr. (Mrs.) Morisola Ogundipe
(Program administrator)
and her little cutie



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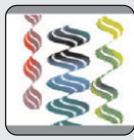
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Ms. Adefemi, a WAB scholar and her little cutie



Mr. Segun Adeyemo and Dr.(Mrs.) Morisola Ogundipe
(WAB admin staff) with Ms. Adefemi and her baby



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CLOSING REMARKS

Thank you for taking your time to read the issue of the newsletter, Your comments about the current issue, and ideas for the next issue are what will keep the West African Bioethics Newsletter an interesting and lively newsletter!!

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