

National Science and Engineering Week 12 – 21 March 2010



**‘Engaging with a Scientist’** at two events:

Title: **‘Stem cells- the hope and the hype’**

This talk will highlight new developments around the emerging field of stem cells with an opportunity to have an ethical and moral debate on the implications of these developments. No prior knowledge or understanding of stem cells is expected as the science underlying the subject will be presented in layman’s terms.

Venue: **Rutherford McGowan Building Crichton Campus, Dumfries**  
Thursday, March 18<sup>th</sup> 2010 7pm to 8.30 pm

Title: **‘In-vitro Fertilisation: some moral dilemmas’**

The process of IVF resulted in 1978 in the birth of Louis Brown. Since then the technique has expanded beyond that of just a means to have a child. Issues such as inter-generational gamete donation, saviour siblings, and for the need of supportive parenting rather than for a father are hotly debated. This event is an opportunity to consider the ethical implications of some of the issues surrounding IVF.

Venue: **Kirkcudbright Town Hall, Kirkcudbright**  
Friday, March 19<sup>th</sup> 2010 2pm to 3.30pm

Scientist: **Dr Mair Crouch**, geneticist and academic lawyer.

Chair: Carolyn Yates, Immediate Past Chair ASE.

Please come along to enjoy the opportunity to meet a scientist and to discuss two topical issues. Free Entry. No registration required.

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