

THE UNIMPORTANCE OF DEATH

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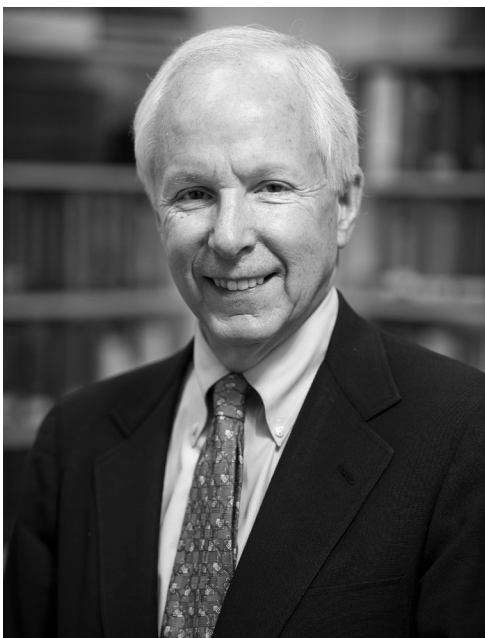
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Organ transplantation has long relied upon the “dead donor rule,” which requires that the donor be dead before organs can be removed. Brain death and cardiac death are increasingly recognized as inadequate criteria for determining death, leading to proposals to allow removal of organs before death occurs. This talk will consider the ethical and policy implications of re-thinking the “dead donor rule.”

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