Dialogue 5

Research and Reproduction:
The Case of Uterus Transplants

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Lunch will be provided
(No RSVPs required)

The sciences of assisted reproduction and solid organ transplantation – both traditional sources of ethical and political controversy – intersect in recent animal research exploring the feasibility of human uterus transplantation. There is only one reported case of the procedure in humans, in Saudi Arabia in 2002. Now a number of medical centers, including the University of Miami’s, are considering programs to provide uterus transplants, fostering intense interest and debate.

Dr. Tzakis, a Professor of Surgery, directs the new UM Transplant Institute.

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