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Ethics Committee on
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## Annual Report 2015/2016

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## About ECART

The Ethics Committee on Assisted Reproductive Technology (ECART) is the ethics committee for the purposes of the Human Assisted Reproductive Technology Act 2004 (the HART Act), which aims to secure the benefits of these technologies by promoting and protecting the health, safety, dignity and rights of those involved in them.

Under the HART Act, ECART's prior approval is required in order to conduct:
human reproductive research (that is, research that involves the creation or use of human gametes, human embryos or hybrid embryos)
assisted reproductive procedures, except those that have been declared to be 'established procedures'.

ECART reviews applications for human reproductive research and assisted reproductive procedures in accordance with guidelines issued by the Advisory Committee on Assisted Reproductive Technology (ACART).

## Purpose of this report

ECART's Terms of Reference require it to report annually to the Minister of Health.
This report must include information on ECART's membership, a summary of the applications reviewed during the year, details of any complaints received (and how they were resolved), and areas of review that caused difficulty in making decisions. The report should also detail the number and type of applications for assisted reproductive procedures and human reproductive research, the date of first review, the final outcome, and the reason for the deferring or declining of any applications.

## Chairperson's report

I am pleased to present the 11th Annual Report of the Ethics Committee on Assisted Reproductive Technology (ECART), for the year ending 30 June 2016.

## Applications

In 2015/2016, ECART reviewed 48 applications over five meetings; compared with the 2014/2015 year when ECART reviewed 50 applications over five meetings. ECART also reviewed 72 applications to extend the storage period of gametes and embryos beyond their original 10-year limit. This was a significant decrease compared with the 2014/2015 year when ECART reviewed 671 applications. The reason for the decrease is likely to be because the original 10-year period ended in November 2014, contributing to significantly more applications being submitted in 2014/2015.

## ACART guidelines

No guidelines were published in 2015/16.

## Additional function

Following a request from fertility clinics to be able to approach ECART for informal advice on established procedures, ECART wrote to the Minister of Health asking for this function to be assigned pursuant to section 28(1)(e) of the HART Act. The Minister agreed to assign this function to ECART and asked for details of such advice to be included in future Annual Reports; these details can be found on page 15 of this report.

## Committee members

I wish to record my gratitude and thanks to all the committee members for their continuing commitment to ECART, without which the committee could not function effectively. I would particularly like to thank Dr Deborah Rowe, Dr Brian Fergus and Dr Adriana Gunder who completed their ECART terms this year, as well as Ms Kate Davenport who completed her term as ECART Chair.


Iris Reuvecamp
Chairperson

# Membership and attendance 

## Membership

## Lay members



Ms Kate Davenport QC (Chair)<br>Membership category: expertise in the law<br>Date of first appointment: 7 August 2008<br>Current term expires: 21 July 2014*

Ms Kate Davenport QC is a barrister sole practising in the area of civil and commercial litigation in Auckland. Kate has an LLB Honours, Master of Jurisprudence with Distinction and a post graduate certificate in Health Science (Ethics). Kate has a particular interest in Health Law. Kate was the Deputy Chair of the Health Practitioners Disciplinary Tribunal, a Tribunal which disciplines all registered health practitioners in New Zealand. Kate has been the Director of Proceedings for the Health and Disciplinary Commissioner.


Ms Iris Reuvecamp (Chair)
Membership category: expertise in the law
Date of first appointment: 3 August 2015
Current term expires: 3 August 2018
Iris is a barrister and solicitor, and has many years of experience specialising in health and disability law in both the United Kingdom and New Zealand. Iris has worked as in-house counsel and as an external adviser for a wide range of health and disability sector clients. Iris currently practises as a sole practitioner at Vida Law.
Iris' practice includes advising on administrative and public law issues; civil litigation and judicial review processes; complaints, inquiries, investigations and inquests; corporate and clinical governance (including conflicts of interest and legal compliance); health sector policy; privacy law; health sector procurement and contracting; health sector employment; mental health; personal welfare and protection of personal and property rights; personal injury, treatment injury and accident compensation; and professional regulation.
Iris has a Bachelor of Law (Honours) and a Bachelor of Arts majoring in Psychology and Criminology from Victoria University of Wellington (1998), and a Masters in Bioethics and Health Law (Distinction) from the University of Otago (2012). She is a member of the Institute of Directors (2014) and an associate member of the Arbitrators' and Mediators' Institute of New Zealand (2016). She is currently undertaking a Master of Laws at the University of Auckland specialising in human rights.


## Dr Brian Fergus

Membership category: consumer perspective
Date of first appointment: 1 April 2012
Current term expires: 1 April 2015*
B.Sc, M.Sc (1st class Honours) Auckland, Ph.D, McGill University, Montreal, Canada.

Dr Fergus has previous private sector experience at management level and senior management consulting experience. He was also elected Board member of Auckland District Health Board where he chaired the Community Health subcommittee and a member of the Audit Committee. Currently, he is Chair of Northern A Health and Disability Ethics Committee and a member of ECART. Dr Fergus has four children and seven grandchildren.


Dr Adriana Gunder QSM JP
Membership category: disability perspective
Date of first appointment: 1 April 2010
Current term expires: 1 April 2016
Dr Gunder is a disability representative, a member of the Health Practitioners Disciplinary Tribunal and of the National Ethics Advisory Committee. Dr Gunder completed her Doctoral Degree in Biological Sciences and a Post Doctoral Degree in Biophysics at the University of

Pavia, Italy. She is the Chairperson of the Local Council of Auckland Central, East and South of the New Zealand Red Cross. She has been an Elected Member of the Auckland City Council: Eastern Bays Community Board (2006-2010) and a volunteer of Victim Support (1995-2007).


## Dr Carolyn Mason

Membership category: expertise in ethics
Date of first appointment: 21 July 2011
Current term expires: 3 August 2018
Dr Mason is currently a Lecturer in Ethics at the University of Canterbury (2001-present). Prior to this she was a Lecturer at Lincoln University (2000), and a Science Research Technician (1979-1985). Dr Mason completed a Bachelor of Science in Psychology and Philosophy (1992), a Master of Arts in Philosophy (1999) and a Doctor of Philosophy in Philosophy at the University of Canterbury (2013). Dr Mason was a member and Chair of the Upper South A Regional Ethics Committee (2005-2008), and a member and Deputy Chair of the Canterbury Regional Health and Disability Ethics Committee (2002-2004). She is currently a member of the University of Canterbury Human Ethics Committee.


## Ms Jo Fitzpatrick

Membership category: member with the ability to articulate issues from a consumer or community perspective
Date of first appointment: 30 May 2013
Current term expires: 3 August 2018
Jo's involvement in women's health provides the foundation for her interest in fertility issues from a consumer perspective. Jo has been the Director at Women's Health Action Trust, a generalist organisation that has represented the broader constituencies in the fertility debate.
The principles that informed the Women's Health Action Trust submissions in the fertility debate during her time there also form the basis of ECART's guiding principles. Jo's role at Women's Health Action Trust has also afforded her extensive opportunity to represent consumers and articulate issues from a consumer perspective.


## Ms Michèle Stanton

Membership category: member with the ability to articulate issues from a consumer or community perspective
Date of first appointment: July 2015
Current term expires: 7 July 2019
Michele is a solicitor with a particular interest in medico-legal and employment law in the health sector.
As a Director of Health Professional Legal Services Limited, Michele acts as legal counsel for health professionals on behalf of insurer New Zealand Medical Professionals Ltd. Michele's work also includes legal and advocacy advice from the NZ Resident Doctors Association, NZ Medical Laboratory Workers Union and APEX.
Michele is a member of the Auckland District Law Society Health \& Disability Law Committee, and a Board member of the Academic Quality Agency for New Zealand Universities.
Michele has served on the Physiotherapy Board of New Zealand, under the Health Practitioners Competence Assurance Act 2003 and is a former member of the UNITEC Research Ethics Committee, and a former lawyer member of Northern X, and Northern A Health and Disability Ethics Committees.
Michele has a Diploma in Business Studies from Massey University (1998), and Bachelor of English from the University of Canterbury (1981) a Bachelor of Laws from the University of Canterbury (1984), and a Graduate Diploma in Law from the University of Auckland (1988).
Michele's background includes advocacy, research ethics, occupational regulation and quality assurance in the financial services, education and health sectors.

## Non-lay members



## Dr Freddie Graham

Membership category: expertise in human reproductive procedures
Date of first appointment: 21 July 2011
Current term expires: 3 August 2018
Dr Freddie Graham is currently an obstetrician and gynaecologist at Fertility Associates. He established New Zealand's first private fertility clinic, Fertility Associates (1987) and was awarded the Companion of the New Zealand Order of Merit for his services to medicine in 2009. Dr Graham has completed a Bachelor of Medicine and Bachelor of Surgery at London University, a Fellowship of the Royal College of Surgeons from the Royal College of Surgeons of Edinburgh), as well as a Fellowship of the Royal Australian and New Zealand College of Obstetricians and Gynaecologists.


## Dr Deborah Payne

Membership category: expertise in assisted reproductive research
Date of first appointment: 1 April 2012
Current term expires: March 2016
Dr Deborah Payne is a senior lecturer and co-director of the Centre for Midwifery \& Women's Health Research at AUT. She completed her PhD at Massey University in 2003. Deborah has a longstanding interest in women's health. Recent research projects have explored issues in relation to women and disability, e.g., motherhood and disability; assisted reproductive technologies, e.g., perceptions of short cycle IVF, nurses caring for clients undergoing ART, and embryo donation. Deborah is a member of the Auckland Women's Health Council.


## Dr Deborah Rowe

Membership category: expertise in assisted reproductive procedures
Date of first appointment: 28 June 2007
Current term expires: 21 July 2014*
Dr Deborah Rowe (Ngāi Tahu) is currently a Nurse Consultant for the Auckland District Health Board, a lecturer at the University of Auckland and a Senior Staff Nurse at the Women's Health Neonatal Intensive Care Unit. She is a member of the Nursing Council of New Zealand, the Māori Advisory Committee National Screening Unit, the New born Screening Advisory Committee, the Auckland District Health Board Māori Nurses Group, the Nursing Council as well as a part time community support worker for the Intellectually Handicapped of New Zealand.


## Dr Paul Copland

Membership category: expertise in human reproductive research
Date of first appointment: 24 September 2015
Current term expires: 3 August 2018
Dr Copland has a Bachelor of Science with Honours in Biochemistry from Otago University and completed his Doctoral research on Embryonic Stem Cell Research and the Metaphysics of Identity in 2004.
He served two terms as the ethicist member of the Multi Region Ethics Committee (MREC) from 2008-2012 before moving to Australia to manage research ethics committees for a large University.
Current research interests include the role of ethics committees in promoting research integrity.

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## Attendance

ECART held five meetings in 2015/2016.

|  |  | Meeting dates |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | 30/7/15 | 24/9/15 | 3/12/15 | 3/3/16 | 5/5/16 | Total |
| $\begin{aligned} & \stackrel{\varrho}{\omega} \\ & \stackrel{0}{E} \\ & \stackrel{0}{0} \\ & \Sigma \end{aligned}$ | Ms Kate Davenport (Chair, L) | $\checkmark$ | X | X | X | X | 1/5 |
|  | Ms Iris Reuvecamp (Chair, L) | X | $\checkmark$ | $\checkmark$ | A | $\checkmark$ | 3/5 |
|  | Dr Brian Fergus (C) | $\checkmark$ | X | X | X | X | 1/5 |
|  | Dr Adriana Gunder (D) | $\checkmark$ | $\checkmark$ | $\checkmark$ | $\checkmark$ | $\checkmark$ | 5/5 |
|  | Dr Carolyn Mason (E) | $\checkmark$ | $\checkmark$ | $\checkmark$ | $\checkmark$ | $\checkmark$ | 5/5 |
|  | Ms Michèle Stanton (C) | X | $\checkmark$ | $\checkmark$ | $\checkmark$ | $\checkmark$ | 4/5 |
|  | Ms Jo Fitzpatrick (CO) | A | $\checkmark$ | A | $\checkmark$ | $\checkmark$ | 3/5 |
|  | Dr Freddie Graham (ARP) | $\checkmark$ | $\checkmark$ | $\checkmark$ | $\checkmark$ | $\checkmark$ | 5/5 |
|  | Dr Deborah Payne (C) | $\checkmark$ | A | $\checkmark$ | $\checkmark$ | $\checkmark$ | 4/5 |
|  | Dr Paul Copland (HRR) | X | $\checkmark$ | $\checkmark$ | $\checkmark$ | $\checkmark$ | 4/5 |
|  | Dr Deborah Rowe (Deputy Chair, ARPO) | A | X | X | X | X | 0/5 |
|  | Total members attending | 6/8 | 7/8 | $7 / 8$ | 7/8 | 7/8 | - |
|  | Surrogacy | 4 | 6 | 5 | 3 | 2 | 20 |
|  | Embryo Donation for Reproductive Purposes | 1 | 2 | 1 | 5 |  | 9 |
|  | Donation of Eggs or Sperm between Certain Family Members |  | 2 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 7* |
|  | Creation and use, for reproductive purposes, of an embryo created from donated eggs in conjunction with donated sperm |  | 2 | 3 | 4 | 2 | 11 |
|  | Human reproductive research |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | Preimplantation Genetic Diagnosis | 1 |  |  |  |  | 1 |
|  | Total applications reviewed | 5 | 12 | 11 | 14 | 5 | 48 |

A = Apologies, $\checkmark=$ Present, $X=$ not current member of committee, $O=$ Māori member
Membership categories:
$\mathrm{L} \quad=\quad$ expertise in the law
$\mathrm{E}=$ expertise in ethics
D = disability perspectives
C = member with the ability to articulate issues from a consumer or community perspective
ARP = member with expertise in assisted reproductive procedures
HRR = member with expertise in human reproductive research

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## Applications reviewed

ECART reviewed 48 applications in 2015/2016. These included 11 applications for donated eggs in conjunction with donated sperm, no applications for human reproductive research, seven applications for donation of eggs/sperm between certain family members (including one extension), nine applications for embryo donation, 20 applications for surrogacy arrangements involving providers of fertility services and one application for preimplantation genetic diagnosis (this is the third year in which ECART has considered this type of application).

Figure 1: The number and type of applications reviewed by ECART by year, 2005/2006 2015/2016


Of the 48 assisted reproductive procedure applications reviewed in 2015/2016, 36 were approved at first review, three were approved subject to conditions, one was approved with recommendations, eight were deferred, and none were declined.

Of the eight deferred applications, seven were approved and one was declined on second review.
In this reporting year ECART considered and approved one application for pre-implantation genetic diagnosis (PGD) with human leucocyte antigen (HLA) tissue typing.

This year, ECART considered 72 storage extension applications. Details can be found on page 21 of this report.

This was a decrease from the previous year when ECART considered 671 applications for extended storage of gametes and embryos. The substantial decrease was due to a high number of applications the previous year approaching the 10-year storage expiration.

## Creation and use, for reproductive purposes, of an embryo created from donated eggs in conjunction with donated sperm

In 2015/2016, ECART reviewed 11 applications for the creation and use, for reproductive purposes, of an embryo created from donated eggs in conjunction with donated sperm. This is the fifth year in which ECART has considered this type of application.

As of 1 July 2016, 11 applications were approved.
Of the 29 currently approved applications of this type there have been three live births in 2015/2016.

The total number of applications reviewed by ECART since 2011 have resulted in 10 births.

Figure 2: Birth outcomes from current applications for the creation and use, for reproductive purposes, of an embryo created from donated eggs in conjunction with donated sperm by year, 2010/2011-2015/2016

Birth outcomes resulting from an embryo created from
donated eggs and donated sperm

^ 2011/2012 is the first year that ECART considered this type of application.

## Surrogacy arrangements involving providers of fertility services

In 2015/2016, ECART reviewed 20 applications for surrogacy arrangements involving providers of fertility services.

As of 1 July 2016, 17 of the 20 surrogacy applications received by ECART in 2015/2016 were approved and three applications were approved subject to conditions.

Of the 87 currently approved surrogacy applications there were eight live births during 2015/2016*. The total number of surrogacy applications approved by ECART since 2005 have resulted in a total of 62 live births.

Figure 3: Birth outcomes from current applications for surrogacy arrangements involving providers of fertility services by year, 2005/2006-2015/2016

Birth outcomes resulting from Surrogacy


Financial Years 1 July - 30 June

## Donation of eggs or sperm between certain family members

In 2015/2016, ECART reviewed seven applications for the donation of eggs or sperm between family members.

As of 1 July 2016, five applications were approved, and one was declined. One application was a request for extension which was approved.

The declined application was for the donation of sperm of a deceased person between certain family members. This case was considered in closed session over a number of meetings.

Of the 45 currently approved applications of this type, there were two live births during 2015/2016*. The total number of applications for the donation of eggs and sperm between family members approved by ECART since 2005 have resulted in a total of 51 live births.

Figure 4: Birth outcomes from current applications for the donation of eggs or sperm between certain family members by year, 2005/2006-2015/2016

Birth outcomes resulting from within family Gamete Donation


Financial Years 1 July - 30 June

## Embryo donation for reproductive purposes

ECART reviewed nine applications involving embryo donation for reproductive purposes in 2015/2016.

As of 1 July 2016, eight applications were approved, and one application was approved with recommendations.

Of the 55 currently approved applications for embryo donation there were two live births during 2015/2016.

The total number of embryo donation applications approved by ECART since 2005 have resulted in 34 live births.

Figure 5: Birth outcomes for current applications from Embryo donation, by year, 2005/06 2015/16

## Births outcomes resulting from Embryo Donation



## Storage Extension Applications

This year ECART considered 72 storage extension applications.
At the first review 71 applications were approved and one was declined.
The declined application was for an extension to the storage of an embryo. ECART can only approve an extension consistent with New Zealand law and in this case, the applicants wished to export their embryo for commercial surrogacy, which is illegal in New Zealand. Therefore, ECART declined the application and recommended that the applicants contact their fertility provider to discuss the options available to them.

Figure 6: The number of storage extension applications received for 2013/2014-2015/2016
Types of Storage Extension Applications


Financial years 1 July 2013-30 June 2016

## Issues and complaints

This section outlines issues faced by the Committee during 2015/2016.

## Advice on established procedures

In February 2011, the Minister assigned ECART the function of giving ethical advice on established procedures to fertility clinics when requested by them to do so.

ECART did not consider any requests for non-binding ethical advice on established procedures in 2015/2016.

## Issues referred to ACART

No issues were referred to ACART in 2015/2016.

## Complaints received

ECART did not receive any complaints during 2015/2016.

## Appendix A - Applications considered by ECART in 2015/2016

| App\# | Date of first review | Initial decision | Date of final review | Final decision | Type of procedure | Approval end date | Is treatment finished? |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| E12/37 | 17/12/2015 | Approved |  |  | Extension to Donation of eggs or sperm between certain family members | 17/12/2019 |  |
| E15/60 | 30/07/2015 | Approved |  |  | Clinic-assisted surrogacy | 06/08/2018 |  |
| E15/61 | 30/07/2015 | Approved with recs |  |  | Embryo donation | 06/08/2018 |  |
| E15/62 | 30/07/2015 | Approved STC | 28/08/2015 | Approved | Clinic-assisted surrogacy | 28/08/2018 |  |
| E15/63 | 30/07/2015 | Deferred | 28/08/2015 | Approved | Clinic-assisted surrogacy | 28/08/2018 |  |
| E15/64 | 30/07/2015 | Approved STC |  | App withdrawn | Clinic-assisted Surrogacy |  |  |
| E15/74 | 24/09/2015 | Deferred | 17/10/2015 | Approved | Clinic-assisted surrogacy | 17/10/2018 | No |
| E15/75 | 24/09/2015 | Approved |  |  | Clinic-assisted surrogacy | 06/10/2018 | Yes |
| E15/76 | 24/09/2015 | Approved |  |  | Donation of eggs or sperm between certain family members | 06/10/2018 | No |
| E15/77 | 24/09/2015 | Deferred | 17/10/2015 | Approved | Embryo created from donated eggs in conjunction with donated sperm | 17/11/2018 | No |
| E15/78 | 24/09/2015 | Approved |  |  | Clinic-assisted surrogacy | 06/10/2018 | Yes |
| E15/79 | 24/09/2015 | Approved |  |  | Embryo donation | 06/10/2018 |  |
| E15/80 | 24/09/2015 | Approved |  |  | Clinic-assisted surrogacy | 06/10/2018 |  |
| E15/81 | 24/09/2015 | Approved |  |  | Embryo created from donated eggs in conjunction with donated sperm | 06/10/2018 |  |
| E15/82 | 24/09/2015 | Deferred | 16/11/2015 | Approved | Clinic-assisted surrogacy | 16/11/2018 |  |
| E15/83 | 24/09/2015 | Approved |  |  | Embryo donation | 06/10/2018 | Yes |
| E15/84 | 24/09/2015 | Approved |  |  | Clinic-assisted surrogacy | 06/10/2018 | Yes |
| E15/85 | 24/09/2015 | Approved |  |  | Donation of eggs or sperm between certain family members | 06/10/2018 |  |
| E15/107 | 03/12/2015 | Approved |  |  | Pre-implantation genetic diagnosis | 16/12/2018 | No |
| E15/108 | 03/12/2015 | Deferred | 25/02/2016 | Approved | Clinic-assisted surrogacy | 18/03/2019 |  |
| E15/109 | 03/12/2015 | Approved |  |  | Clinic-assisted surrogacy | 16/12/2018 | Yes |
| E15/110 | 03/12/2015 | Approved |  |  | Clinic-assisted surrogacy | 16/12/2018 | Yes |
| E15/111 | 03/12/2015 | Approved |  |  | Embryo donation | 16/12/2018 | No |
| E15/112 | 03/12/2015 | Approved |  |  | Embryo created from donated eggs in conjunction with donated sperm | 16/12/2018 | No |

*STC = Subject to conditions
Approved with recs $=$ Approved with recommendations
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| App\# | Date of first review | Initial decision | Date of final review | Final decision | Type of procedure | Approval end date | Is treatment finished? |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| E15/113 | 03/12/2015 | Approved |  |  | Clinic-assisted surrogacy | 16/12/2018 | No |
| E15/114 | 03/12/2015 | Deferred | 07/07/2016 | Declined | Donation of eggs or sperm between certain family members |  |  |
| E15/115 | 03/12/2015 | Approved |  |  | Clinic-assisted surrogacy | 13/01/2019 |  |
| E15/117 | 03/12/2015 | Approved |  |  | Embryo created from donated eggs in conjunction with donated sperm | 16/12/2018 |  |
| E15/118 | 03/12/2015 | Approved |  |  | Embryo created from donated eggs in conjunction with donated sperm | 16/12/2018 |  |
| E16/04 | 03/03/2016 | Deferred | 15/04/2016 | Approved | Clinic-assisted surrogacy | 15/04/2019 |  |
| E16/08 | 03/03/2016 | Approved |  |  | Embryo donation | 03/03/2019 | Yes |
| E16/09 | 03/03/2016 | Approved |  |  | Embryo created from donated eggs in conjunction with donated sperm | 03/03/2019 | Yes |
| E16/10 | 03/03/2016 | Approved |  |  | Embryo donation | 03/03/2019 | Yes |
| E16/11 | 03/03/2016 | Approved |  |  | Embryo donation | 03/03/2019 | Yes |
| E16/12 | 03/03/2016 | Approved |  |  | Donation of eggs or sperm between certain family members | 03/03/2019 | No |
| E16/13 | 03/03/2016 | Approved |  |  | Embryo created from donated eggs in conjunction with donated sperm | 03/03/2019 | Yes |
| E16/14 | 03/03/2016 | Approved STC |  |  | Clinic-assisted surrogacy | 11/04/2019 | Yes |
| E16/15 | 03/03/2016 | Approved |  |  | Embryo donation | 03/03/2019 |  |
| E16/16 | 03/03/2016 | Approved |  |  | Clinic-assisted surrogacy | 03/03/2019 |  |
| E16/17 | 03/03/2016 | Approved |  |  | Embryo donation | 03/03/2019 |  |
| E16/18 | 03/03/2016 | Approved |  |  | Embryo created from donated eggs in conjunction with donated sperm | 03/03/2019 |  |
| E16/19 | 03/03/2016 | Approved |  |  | Embryo created from donated eggs in conjunction with donated sperm | 18/03/2019 |  |
| E16/20 | 03/03/2016 | Approved |  |  | Donation of eggs or sperm between certain family members | 18/03/2019 |  |
| E16/25 | 05/05/2016 | Deferred |  | Approved | Embryo created from donated eggs in conjunction with donated sperm | 25/07/2019 |  |
| E16/26 | 05/05/2016 | Approved |  |  | Clinic-assisted surrogacy | 23/05/2019 | Yes |
| E16/27 | 05/05/2016 | Approved |  |  | Clinic-assisted surrogacy | 23/05/2019 | Yes |
| E16/28 | 05/05/2016 | Approved |  |  | Donation of eggs or sperm between certain family members | 23/05/2019 |  |
| E16/29 | 05/05/2016 | Approved |  |  | Embryo created from donated eggs in conjunction with donated sperm | 23/05/2019 | Yes |

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## Appendix B - Applications considered by ECART prior to 1 July 2015 but ongoing throughout 2015/2016

| App\# | Date of first review | Initial decision | Date of final review | Final decision | Type of procedure | Approval end date | Is treatment finished? |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| E09/27 | 07/03/2013 | Approved STC |  | Approved | Extension to Donation of eggs or sperm between certain family members | 11/04/2016 | Yes |
| E10/09 | 07/03/2013 | Approved STC | 02/04/2016 | Approved | Extension request for Clinic-assisted surrogacy | 02/04/2016 |  |
| E10/42 | 05/05/2014 | Deferred |  | Approved | Clinic-assisted surrogacy | 27/05/2017 | Yes |
| E10/47 | 07/11/2013 | Approved |  |  | Donation of eggs or sperm between certain family members | 14/11/2016 | Yes |
| E11/22 | 02/07/2014 | Approved |  |  | Extension to Embryo donation | 03/07/2017 | Yes |
| E11/31 | 02/07/2014 | Approved |  |  | Extension to Embryo donation | 03/07/2017 | Yes |
| E11/32 | 18/09/2014 | Approved |  |  | Extension to Embryo donation | 03/10/2017 | No |
| E12/28 | 14/11/2014 | Approved |  |  | Clinic-assisted surrogacy | 01/12/2017 | No |
| E12/33 | 27/09/2012 | Approved |  |  | Embryo created from donated eggs in conjunction with donated sperm | 27/09/2015 | Yes |
| E12/34 | 27/09/2012 | Approved |  |  | Clinic-assisted surrogacy | 27/09/2015 | Yes |
| E12/35 | 27/09/2012 | Approved |  |  | Embryo donation | 27/09/2015 | Yes |
| E12/36 | 27/09/2012 | Approved |  |  | Embryo donation | 27/09/2015 | Yes |
| E12/37 | 27/09/2012 | Approved STC |  |  | Donation of eggs or sperm between certain family members | 27/09/2015 | No |
| E12/38 | 27/09/2012 | Approved |  |  | Clinic-assisted surrogacy | 27/09/2015 | Yes |
| E12/39 | 29/11/2012 | Approved |  |  | Embryo donation | 06/12/2015 | Yes |
| E12/40 | 29/11/2012 | Approved |  |  | Clinic-assisted surrogacy | 06/12/2015 | Yes |
| E12/41 | 29/11/2012 | Approved |  |  | Clinic-assisted surrogacy | 06/12/2015 | Yes |
| E12/42 | 29/11/2012 | Approved |  |  | Clinic-assisted surrogacy | 06/12/2015 | Yes |
| E12/43 | 29/11/2012 | Approved |  |  | Clinic-assisted surrogacy | 06/12/2015 | Yes |
| E12/44 | 29/11/2012 | Approved |  |  | Donation of eggs or sperm between certain family members | 06/12/2015 | Yes |
| E12/45 | 29/11/2012 | Approved |  |  | Donation of eggs or sperm between certain family members | 06/12/2015 | Yes |
| E12/46 | 29/11/2012 | Defer |  | Approved | Donation of eggs or sperm between certain family members | 18/02/2016 | No |

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| E12/47 | 29/11/2012 | Approved |  |  | Embryo donation | 06/12/2015 | Yes |
| E12/48 | 29/11/2012 | Approved STC | 10/01/2013 | Approved | Clinic-assisted surrogacy | 11/01/2016 | Yes |
| E13/01 | 07/03/2013 | Approved |  |  | Clinic-assisted surrogacy | 08/03/2016 | Yes |
| E13/02 | 07/03/2013 | Approved |  |  | Embryo donation | 08/03/2016 | Yes |
| E13/03 | 07/03/2013 | Approved STC |  |  | Clinic-assisted surrogacy | 08/03/2016 | Yes |
| E13/04 | 07/03/2013 | Approved |  |  | Clinic-assisted surrogacy | 08/03/2016 | Yes |
| E13/05 | 07/03/2013 | Approved |  |  | Clinic-assisted surrogacy | 08/03/2016 | Yes |
| E13/06 | 07/03/2013 | Approved |  |  | Embryo donation | 08/03/2016 | Yes |
| E13/07 | 07/03/2013 | Approved |  |  | Clinic-assisted surrogacy | 08/03/2016 | Yes |
| E13/08 | 07/03/2013 | Approved |  |  | Embryo donation | 08/03/2016 | Yes |
| E13/09 | 07/03/2013 | Defer | 07/11/2013 | Approved | Clinic-assisted surrogacy | 14/11/2016 | No |
| E13/10 | 07/03/2013 | Approved STC | 07/05/2013 | Approved | Clinic-assisted surrogacy and embryo donation | 08/05/2016 | Yes |
| E13/11 | 30/05/2013 | Approved |  |  | Donation of eggs or sperm between certain family members | 04/06/2016 | Yes |
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| E13/12 | 30/05/2013 | Approved |  |  | Clinic-assisted surrogacy | 04/06/2016 | Yes |
| E13/13 | 30/05/2013 | Approved |  |  | Clinic-assisted surrogacy | 04/06/2016 | Yes |
| E13/14 | 30/05/2013 | Approved |  |  | Donation of eggs or sperm between certain family members | 04/06/2016 | Yes |
| E13/15 | 30/05/2013 | Approved |  |  | Donation of eggs or sperm between certain family members | 04/06/2016 | Yes |
| E13/16 | 30/05/2013 | Approved STC |  | Approved | Clinic-assisted surrogacy | 03/07/2016 | Yes |
| E13/17 | 30/05/2013 | Approved |  |  | Embryo donation | 04/06/2016 | Yes |
| E13/18 | 30/05/2013 | Approved |  |  | Embryo donation | 04/06/2016 | No |
| E13/19 | 30/05/2013 | Deferred |  | App withdrawn | Donation of eggs or sperm between certain family members |  |  |
| E13/20 | 30/05/2013 | Approved |  |  | Clinic-assisted surrogacy | 04/06/2016 | No |
| E13/21 | 30/05/2013 | Approved |  |  | Clinic-assisted surrogacy | 30/05/2016 | Yes |
| E13/22 | 30/05/2013 | Deferred |  |  | Research |  |  |
| E13/23 | 30/05/2013 | Approved |  |  | Research | 13/06/2016 |  |

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| E13/24 | 01/08/2013 | Approved |  |  | Donation of eggs or sperm between certain family members | 02/08/2016 | Yes |
| E13/25 | 01/08/2013 | Approved |  |  | Embryo donation | 02/08/2016 | No |
| E13/26 | 01/08/2013 | Approved STC |  | Approved | Pre-implantation genetic diagnosis | 02/08/2016 |  |
| E13/27 | 05/09/2013 | Approved |  |  | Embryo donation | 18/09/2016 | Yes |
| E13/28 | 05/09/2013 | Approved |  |  | Embryo donation | 07/10/2016 | Yes |
| E13/29 | 05/09/2013 | Deferred |  | Approved | Clinic-assisted surrogacy | 01/11/2016 | Yes |
| E13/30 | 05/09/2013 | Approved STC | 14/11/2013 | Approved | Research | 14/11/2016 |  |
| E13/31 | 07/11/2013 | Deferred | 06/03/2014 | Declined | Embryo donation |  |  |
| E13/32 | 07/11/2013 | Approved STC |  |  | Clinic-assisted surrogacy | 27/02/2017 | No |
| E13/33 | 07/11/2013 | Approved |  |  | Embryo created from donated eggs in conjunction with donated sperm | 14/11/2016 |  |
| E13/34 | 07/11/2013 | Approved |  |  | Embryo donation | 14/11/2016 | Yes |
| E13/35 | 07/11/2013 | Approved |  |  | Embryo donation | 14/11/2016 | Yes |
| E13/36 | 07/11/2013 |  |  |  | Clinic-assisted surrogacy | 14/11/2016 | Yes |
| E14/01 | 06/03/2014 | Approved |  |  | Clinic-assisted surrogacy | 14/03/2017 | Yes |
| E14/02 | 06/03/2014 | Deferred |  |  | Embryo donation |  | Yes |
| E14/03 | 06/03/2014 | Approved STC |  |  | Embryo donation | 09/04/2017 | Yes |
| E14/04 | 06/03/2014 | Approved |  |  | Clinic-assisted surrogacy | 14/03/2017 | Yes |
| E14/05 | 06/03/2014 | Approved |  |  | Clinic-assisted surrogacy | 14/03/2017 | No |
| E14/06 | 06/03/2014 | Deferred | 05/05/2014 | Approved | Clinic-assisted surrogacy | 05/05/2017 | Yes |
| E14/07 | 06/03/2014 | Approved |  |  | Donation of eggs or sperm between certain family members | 14/03/2017 | Yes |
| E14/08 | 06/03/2014 | Approved |  |  | Clinic-assisted surrogacy | 14/03/2017 | No |
| E14/56 | 05/05/2014 | Approved |  |  | Embryo donation | 13/05/2017 | Yes |
| E14/57 | 05/05/2014 | Approved |  |  | Embryo donation | 13/05/2017 | Yes |
| E14/58 | 05/05/2014 | Approved |  |  | Clinic-assisted surrogacy | 13/05/2017 | Yes |
| E14/59 | 05/05/2014 | Approved STC |  | Approved | Clinic-assisted surrogacy | 13/05/2017 | Yes |
| E14/62 (b) | 05/05/2014 | Approved STC |  |  | Embryo created from donated eggs in conjunction with donated sperm | 26/05/2017 | Yes |
| E14/113 | 02/07/2014 | Approved STC |  |  | Clinic-assisted surrogacy | 25/08/2017 | Yes |

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| E14/114 | 02/07/2014 | Approved STC |  |  | Clinic-assisted surrogacy | 29/10/2017 | Yes |
| E14/115 | 02/07/2014 | Approved STC |  |  | Donation of eggs or sperm between certain family members | 25/07/2017 | Yes |
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| E14/116 | 02/07/2014 | Approved STC |  | Approved | Clinic-assisted surrogacy | 29/10/2017 | No |
| E14/117 | 02/07/2014 | Approved STC |  | Approved | Clinic-assisted surrogacy | 30/07/2017 | Yes |
| E14/118 | 02/07/2014 | Approved |  |  | Embryo created from donated eggs in conjunction with donated sperm | 03/07/2017 | Yes |
| E14/147 | 18/09/2014 | Deferred |  | Approved | Embryo donation | 09/12/2017 | Yes |
| E14/148 | 18/09/2014 | Approved |  |  | Donation of eggs or sperm between certain family members | 03/10/2017 | Yes |
| E14/149 | 18/09/2014 | Approved |  |  | Donation of eggs or sperm between certain family members | 03/10/2017 | No |
| E14/150 | 18/09/2014 | Approved |  |  | Traditional surrogacy - non-binding ethical advice given |  |  |
| E14/151 | 18/09/2014 | Approved |  |  | Clinic-assisted surrogacy | 03/10/2017 | Yes |
| E14/153 | 18/09/2014 | Approved |  |  | Embryo created from donated eggs in conjunction with donated sperm | 03/10/2017 | No |
| E14/154 | 18/09/2014 | Approved STC |  | Approved | Embryo donation | 06/11/2017 | Yes |
| E14/155 | 18/09/2014 | Deferred |  | Approved | Embryo donation | 20/10/2017 | No |
| E14/156 | 18/09/2014 | Approved |  |  | Donation of eggs or sperm between certain family members | 03/10/2017 | No |
| E14/157 | 18/09/2014 | Deferred |  | Approved | Embryo donation | 06/11/2017 | Yes |
| E14/241 | 14/11/2014 | Approved |  |  | Clinic-assisted surrogacy | 01/12/2017 | No |
| E14/242 | 14/11/2014 | Approved |  |  | Donation of eggs or sperm between certain family members | 01/12/2017 | No |
| E14/243 | 14/11/2014 | Approved STC |  | Approved | Donation of eggs or sperm between certain family members | 01/12/2017 | Yes |
| E14/244 | 14/11/2014 | Approved |  |  | Embryo created from donated eggs in conjunction with donated sperm | 01/12/2017 | No |
| E14/245 | 14/11/2014 | Approved STC |  | Approved | Clinic-assisted surrogacy | 10/12/2017 | Yes |
| E14/246 | 14/11/2014 | Approved STC |  | Approved | Clinic-assisted surrogacy | 19/12/2017 | Yes |
| E14/247 | 14/11/2014 | Approved STC |  | Approved | Clinic-assisted surrogacy | 10/02/2018 | Yes |
| E14/249 | 14/11/2014 | Approved STC |  | Approved | Clinic-assisted surrogacy | 21/01/2018 | Yes |
| E14/250 | 14/11/2014 | Approved |  |  | Embryo donation | 01/12/2017 | Yes |
| E14/251 | 14/11/2014 | Approve with recs |  |  | Embryo created from donated eggs in conjunction with donated sperm | 01/12/2017 | Yes |

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| E14/252 | 14/11/2014 | Deferred |  | Approved | Embryo donation | 31/03/2018 | Yes |
| E14/253 | 14/11/2014 | Approved |  |  | Donation of eggs or sperm between certain family members | 01/12/2017 | No |
| E14/254 | 14/11/2014 | Approved |  |  | Clinic-assisted surrogacy | 01/12/2017 | Yes |
| E15/02 | 05/03/2015 | Approved |  |  | Clinic-assisted surrogacy | 17/03/2018 | No |
| E15/03 | 05/03/2015 | Approved |  |  | Clinic-assisted surrogacy | 17/03/2018 | Yes |
| E15/04 | 05/03/2015 | Approved |  |  | Clinic-assisted surrogacy | 17/03/2018 | Yes |
| E15/05 | 05/03/2015 | Approved |  |  | Clinic-assisted surrogacy | 17/03/2018 | Yes |
| E15/06 | 05/03/2015 | Approved |  |  | Embryo created from donated eggs in conjunction with donated sperm | 17/03/2018 | No |
| E15/07 | 05/03/2015 | Approved STC |  |  | Embryo donation | 29/06/2018 | Yes |
| E15/08 | 05/03/2015 | Deferred |  | Approved | Clinic-assisted surrogacy | 25/05/2018 | No |
| E15/09 | 05/03/2015 | Approved |  |  | Clinic-assisted surrogacy | 17/03/2018 | Yes |
| E15/10 | 05/03/2015 | Approved |  |  | Clinic-assisted surrogacy | 17/03/2018 | Yes |
| E15/11 | 05/03/2015 | Approved |  |  | Clinic-assisted surrogacy | 17/03/2018 | Yes |
| E15/12 | 05/03/2015 | Approved |  |  | Embryo created from donated eggs in conjunction with donated sperm | 17/03/2018 | No |
| E15/38 | 07/05/2015 | Deferred |  | Approved | Embryo donation | 08/06/2018 | No |
| E15/39 | 07/05/2015 | Approved |  |  | Embryo created from donated eggs in conjunction with donated sperm | 25/05/2018 | No |
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| E15/40 | 07/05/2015 | Deferred |  | Declined | Embryo donation | 27/11/2015 |  |
| E15/41 | 07/05/2015 | Approved |  |  | Embryo donation | 25/05/2018 | No |
| E15/42 | 07/05/2015 | Approved STC |  | Approved | Clinic-assisted surrogacy | 25/05/2018 | No |
| E15/43 | 07/05/2015 | Approved |  |  | Pre-implantation genetic diagnosis | 25/05/2018 | Yes |

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| E15/44 | Donor sperm | 30/07/2015 | Approved | 04/09/2026 |
| E15/45 | Sperm | 30/07/2015 | Approved | 16/02/2021 |
| E15/46 | Embryos and sperm | 30/07/2015 | Approved | 0304/2019 |
| E15/47 | Embryos | 30/07/2015 | Approved | 01/08/2019 |
| E15/48 | Sperm | 30/07/2015 | Approved | 08/08/2019 |
| E15/51 | Embryos and donor eggs | 30/07/2015 | Approved | 30/06/2021 |
| E15/52 | Embryos | 30/07/2015 | Approved | 22/08/2017 |
| E15/53 | Donor sperm | 30/07/2015 | Approved | 26/05/2021 |
| E15/54 | Sperm | 30/07/2015 | Approved | 19/09/2021 |
| E15/55 | Donor sperm | 30/07/2015 | Approved | 11/08/2021 |
| E15/56 | Donor sperm and embryos | 30/07/2015 | Approved | 11/08/2021 |
| E15/57 | Embryos | 30/07/2015 | Approved | 06/12/2021 |
| E15/58 | Sperm | 30/07/2015 | Approved | 20/12/2036 |
| E15/59 | Cryopreserved ovarian tissue | 30/07/2015 | Approved | 18/08/2025 |
| E15/65 | Sperm | 30/07/2015 | Approved | 22/11/2025 |
| E15/66 | Sperm | 24/09/2015 | Approved | 03/08/2021 |
| E15/67 | Sperm | 24/09/2015 | Approved | 22/11/2018 |
| E15/68 | Sperm | 24/09/2015 | Approved | 10/02/2026 |
| E15/69 | Embryos | 24/09/2015 | Approved | 28/02/2021 |
| E15/70 | Embryos | 24/09/2015 | Approved | 15/10/2020 |
| E15/71 | Sperm | 24/09/2015 | Approved | 19/10/2035 |
| E15/72 | Sperm | 24/09/2015 | Approved | 22/03/2026 |
| E15/73 | Embryos | 03/12/2015 | Declined |  |

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| E15/86 | Embryos | 24/09/2015 | Approved | 22/11/2016 |
| E15/87 | Embryos | 24/09/2015 | Approved | 15/10/2017 |
| E15/88 | Embryos | 03/12/2015 | Approved | 20/20/2016 |
| E15/89 | Sperm | 03/12/2015 | Approved | 29/08/2026 |
| E15/90 | Embryos | 03/12/2015 | Approved | 09/12/2020 |
| E15/91 | Embryos | 03/12/2015 | Approved | 14/07/2022 |
| E15/92 | Sperm | 03/12/2015 | Approved | 26/05/2019 |
| E15/93 | Sperm | 03/12/2015 | Approved | 21/11/2021 |
| E15/94 | Cryopreserved ovarian tissue | 03/12/2015 | Approved | 09/01/2036 |
| E15/95 | Sperm | 16/10/2015 | Approved | 20/10/2025 |
| E15/96 | Cryopreserved ovarian tissue | 03/12/2015 | Approved | 28/02/2026 |
| E15/97 | Sperm | 03/12/2015 | Approved | 23/03/2023 |
| E15/98 | Donor sperm | 03/12/2015 | Approved | 17/04/2022 |
| E15/99 | Sperm | 03/12/2015 | Approved | 31/08/2029 |
| App\# | Stored product | Date of first review | Initial decision | Expiry date |
| E15/100 | Sperm | 03/12/2015 | Approved | 20/12/20216 |
| E15/101 | Embryos | 03/12/2015 | Approved | 19/03/2021 |
| E15/102 | Sperm | 03/12/2015 | Approved | 13/07/2021 |
| E15/103 | Eggs | 03/12/2015 | Approved | 19/05/2021 |
| E15/104 | Eggs | 16/11/2015 | Approved | 17/11/2017 |
| E15/105 | Embryos | 03/12/2015 | Approved | 28/05/2021 |
| E15/106 | Embryos | 03/12/2015 | Approved | 07/04/2021 |
| E15/116 | Sperm | 17/11/2015 | Approved | 22/11/2025 |
| E15/119 | Sperm | 03/03/2016 | Approved | 02/06/2036 |
| E15/120 | Sperm | 03/03/2016 | Approved | 10/08/2021 |
| E15/121 | Sperm | 03/03/2016 | Approved | 01/09/2026 |
| E15/122 | Sperm | 20/12/2015 | Approved | 24/03/2026 |
| E15/123 | Embryos | 03/03/2016 | Approved | 12/06/2021 |

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| E15/124 | Sperm | 03/03/2016 | Approved | 08/02/2022 |
| E15/125 | Donor sperm | 03/03/2016 | Approved | 03/06/2021 |
| E15/126 | Embryos and sperm | 03/03/2016 | Approved | 06/11/2022 |
| E15/127 | Sperm | 03/03/2016 | Approved | 07/12/2021 |
| E16/01 | Sperm | 03/03/2016 | Approved | 20/06/2026 |
| E16/02 | Embryos | 03/03/2016 | Approved | 22/11/2018 |
| E16/03 | Embryos | 03/03/2016 | Approved | 06/12/2026 |
| E16/05 | Embryos | 03/03/2016 | Approved | 30/08/2026 |
| E16/06 | Sperm | 03/03/2016 | Approved | 22/11/2021 |
| E16/07 | Embryos | 03/03/2016 | Approved | 08/05/2021 |
| E16/21 | Embryos | 05/05/2016 | Approved | 15/10/2021 |
| E16/22 | Embryos | 05/05/2016 | Approved | 09/01/2022 |
| E16/23 | Embryos | 05/05/2016 | Approved | 09/01/2022 |
| E16/24 | Sperm | 05/05/2016 | Approved | 17/10/2026 |
| E16/30 | Sperm | 05/05/2016 | Approved | 22/11/2026 |
| E16/31 | Sperm | 05/05/2016 | Approved | 29/06/2041 |
| E16/32 | Sperm | 05/05/2016 | Approved | 02/10/2041 |
| E16/32(b) | Sperm | 05/05/2016 | Approved | 27/08/2042 |
| E16/33 | Embryos | 05/05/2016 | Approved | 13/07/2021 |
| E16/34 | Embryos and sperm | 05/05/2016 | Approved | 29/05/2026 |
| E16/35 | Embryos | 05/05/2016 | Approved | 06/05/2021 |
| E16/36 | Embryos | 05/05/2016 | Approved | 08/05/2021 |

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[^0]:    * Unless a person sooner vacates their office, every appointed member of ECART shall continue in office until their successor comes into office. (ECART Terms of Reference)

[^1]:    * One application for the donation of eggs or sperm between certain family members was considered in between meetings. This is reflected in the total number of applications.

