

It is a sad day for Australia when, after our prime minister and parliamentarians 4 years ago gave a majority vote against human cloning, some of those very same people, especially Senator Patterson herself by her presenting the pro-cloning legislation, have done a complete about-face and now support cloning.

Not only human cloning, but even more so the proposal for animal-human hybrids and chimeras as recommended by the Lockhart Inquiry are an insidious attack on the intrinsic nature and value of the human person. What have we come to? Why anyone would want to use genetic material from more than one man and one woman to create an embryo with more than two parents is beyond normal human thinking, and is certainly devoid of any basic human compassion for the humans created this way.

The greatest deception in all this is the outright lie deliberately and unashamedly spread by some, including Professor Loane Skene, acting Chair of the Lockhart Review Committee, that human cloning DOES NOT CREATE AN EMBRYO !!! He is obliged to represent the views of the International society for Stem Cell Research which is committed to cloning and to which he is an adviser. So much for open-mindedness in a Review Committee! And a tragic part of it is that some of the very politicians who are to vote on the legislation are being adversely influenced by this utter deception. They need to hear the truth that human cloning creates a human embryo.

Medical science manipulators try to get around the problem by playing with words. They use the term SOMATIC CELL NUCLEAR TRANSFER (SCNT) to try to replace the word 'embryo' and thus try to escape any responsibility and public scrutiny for tampering with human life. It's all part of the great deception.

We know that the traditional way of creating an embryo is the union of sperm and egg. Many, if not all, pro-cloning 'medical scientists' would claim that if an embryo is created any other way, such as SCNT and parthenogenesis, it can't be an embryo. Nobody has any excuse or right to play word and meaning games when it comes to the various modern ways now developed to create a human embryo which, however it was made, has the potential and inalienable right to be allowed to grow to full maturity as a human being.

Therefore, the push for embryonic stem cell research (ESCR) is anti-human. Embryos should not be created and then destroyed for ESCR. This is a direct onslaught against human life and furthermore, so far not a single cure or remedy for disease has been successful anywhere worldwide.

I earnestly urge you to recommend a unanimous vote against Senator Patterson's Cloning Bill and any other avenue for cloning where you have influence.

Yours sincerely,



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