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- To develop an up-to-date syllabus for medical ethics education which will satisfy the requirements of medical schools in the world.

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