

Argument 2

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Is the practice of outsourcing clinical trials to CROs in developing countries morally permissible?

1. According to virtue ethics, one must follow traits that lead to a morally good outcome.
2. Choosing to perform clinical trials on developing countries knowing full well that many of the participants are unable to understand what they are choosing to take part in to save money, avoid punishment for malpractice, and avoid restrictions is greedy.
3. Therefore, it is not morally permissible to outsource clinical trials to CROs in developing countries.

In a peer-review session, a reviewer reads what a writer has written and gives the writer feedback on that written work. The reviewer should identify the writing's strengths and weaknesses, and then suggest strategies for revising it. As the writer, think of peer review as a way to test and improve your written work. Keep an open mind and be prepared for constructive criticism. As the reviewer, you will have an opportunity to practice your critical reading and thinking skills. Accordingly, both the writer and the reviewer have something to gain. The writer profits from the feedback the reviewer provides, whereas the reviewer profits from practicing critical reading and thinking skills.

Writer's name: Grant Butler

Reviewer's name: Nikki Katz

Using the decision procedure for evaluating arguments outlined in the next page, please answer the following questions after reading your classmate's argument:

	Question	Reviewer's Response
1	Are there any terms and/or phrases in the argument that need to be defined and/or clarified? If so, please list them.	None
2	Are there any ambiguous and/or vague terms (and/or phrases) in the argument? If so, please list them.	None
3	Are there any rhetorical questions in the argument? If so, please list them and ask the writer to rephrase them as statements.	None
4	Is the argument deductively valid? If so, is it sound?	Valid and sound!
5	If not valid, is the argument invalid? Does it commit any obvious fallacies (e.g., circular reasoning)?	N/A
6	If not deductive, is the argument inductively strong? If so, it is cogent?	N/A
7	If not inductively strong, is the argument weak?	N/A

8	<p>If the argument is invalid or weak, unsound or non-cogent, what revisions do you suggest the writer should make in order to fix the argument?</p>	<p>Everything looks great! The argument is valid, sound, and flows well.</p>
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