Letters to the Editor

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The Braillon affair

To the Editor:

I write to thank Professor Lee for his important editorial about the sacking of Dr Alain Braillon. As important as it is to shine a light on the issues initially raised by Dr Braillon, it is equally critical for us as a community to express our outrage at the abysmal and shocking treatment he apparently received. Dr Lee’s message – that we are all diminished when such behaviour is allowed to go unchallenged – is a critical one in a world where medical ethics are routinely trampled in the pursuit of profit. And it is indeed worth remembering that ‘the hottest places in Hell are reserved for those who remain neutral in time of great moral crisis’ (even if Dante never actually said so).

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