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Dr Kolstoe's academic journey began in pre-clinical drug discovery (BSc in Biomedical Science and PhD in Biochemistry, University of Southampton), before transitioning into bioethics (BA in Philosophy, Open University; MA in Research Ethics, Keele University), driven by a commitment to improve research governance and ethical oversight. His extensive experience positions him as a leading authority in promoting ethical standards and integrity within the research community. From 2018 to 2023, he also participated in the EU COST Action "EVBRES".

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