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LUKE JERRAM

PICTURE OF THE WEEK

A glass sculpture of the swine flu A/H1N1 2009 virus by artist Luke Jerram, on display at the Wellcome Collection until 18 October 2009. Jerram has worked with leading virologist Dr Andrew Davidson from the University of Bristol to produce translucent glass models of the infectious agents responsible for some of the most deadly diseases, including smallpox, HIV, *E coli*, A/H1N1, and SARS. See research, p 792.

THE WEEK IN NUMBERS

6115 Number of people killed by explosive weapons worldwide between April and September 2006 (Editorial, p 761)

70% Proportion of cases of HIV in volunteers given a new vaccine compared with the placebo group (News, p 772)

£12.7bn Estimated total cost of the NHS National Programme for Information Technology (Feature, p 778)

1.0 ng/ml Prostate specific antigen concentration below which prostate cancer can be virtually ruled out (Research, p 793)

26×11 mm Size of the camera "pill" swallowed by patients undergoing capsule endoscopy (Clinical review, p 796)

THE WEEK IN QUOTES

"It is not considered acceptable to make people with cancer wait until crisis point before getting support, and people with dementia should not have to wait either" (News, p 769)

"If you must be harmed for me to benefit, where does this lead public health?" (Observations, p 782)

"Universal RIX4414 vaccination in India would save many thousands of lives annually" (Research, p 787)

"Clinical suspicion of fracture in patients with ankylosing spondylitis requires imaging" (Practice, p 805)

"Medication is a blunt, dumb, and frankly naive approach to the complexities of life" (From the frontline, p 812)