## Anti-aging elixirs: As search for life-extending drugs expands, ethical questions emerge

Metformin, Rapamycin, and NAD+.

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A lot of studies around the world are not stopping at simply investigating whether these substances can slow down disease processes.

Many are also interested in whether they can slow down ageing in healthy people with these drugs.

A common feature of all the substances is that they affect the ageing process at the cellular level in a number of different ways. Stimulating DNA repair in our genetic material is one such example, according to Geir Selbæk.

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Another question revolves around the resources that will be used for this.

It is estimated that five million children die each year from diseases and conditions that could be treated with simple means.

Is it right to provide some people with access to medication so that they can grow older, while others suffer and die from diseases that we could very easily treat?

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