

Title: Genetic Warfare: From Strategic to Cellular - Your Cells are Not Safe!

Speaker: Yelena Biberman, Ph.D.

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SYNOPSIS:

Dr. Biberman's presentation will examine the ethical questions that arise from the development and use of “genetic weapons” – or genetically engineered bioweapons – on the battlefield and outside the battlefield. We will begin with an overview of what’s technologically possible and probable over the next two decades. We will then consider the ethical implications of the different ways in which genetic weapons can be employed.

BIO:

Dr. Yelena Biberman is an associate professor of political science at Skidmore College, nonresident senior fellow at the Atlantic Council’s South Asia Center, and associate at Harvard University’s Davis Center. She received a B.A. in International Relations from Wellesley College, M.A. in Regional Studies from Harvard University, and M.A. and Ph.D. in Political Science from Brown University. Biberman also worked as a journalist in Moscow, Russia.