

Code of conduct for research integrity

Good research practices are based on fundamental ethical principles. Yet, while some of these principles are then specified in reference to specific areas and practices of scientific inquiry (e.g. clinical trials with human subjects, or experimentation with animal models), others regard instead the kind of conduct that all scientists ought to respect while carrying out their research activities. Today, this latter area of ethical inquiry is commonly identified by the umbrella term of “research integrity”. Drawing from a series of practical examples concerning cases of scientific misconduct, data fabrication and misattributed authorship, in this presentation I will provide a synthetic overview of current EU and international regulations on research integrity, underscoring its contemporary relevance in all research settings