



National, Institutional and International Approaches to Research Integrity: An Australian Perspective

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National Structure of Research Integrity Management in Australia



■ National Responsibility

1. 2007 Australian Code for Responsible Conduct of Research (2007 Code)
2. Australian Research Integrity Committee

■ Institutional Responsibility

1. Institutional Policy on Implementation 2007 Code
2. Institutional Policy on Research Misconduct

■ Researcher Responsibility

1. Research Staff Induction program
2. Workshops on Research Integrity

2007 Australian Code for Responsible Conduct of Research



■ About the Code

The purpose of the *Australian Code for the Responsible Conduct of Research (the Code)* is to guide institutions and researchers in responsible research practices. In describing good practice, this Code promotes integrity in research for researchers and explains what is expected of researchers by the community. In providing advice on how to manage departures from best practice, this Code assists researchers, administrators and the community in this important matter.

■ Structure of the Code

This Code consists of two main parts:

1. Part A describes the principles and practices for encouraging the responsible conduct of research, for institutions and researchers.
2. Part B provides a framework for resolving allegations of breaches of this Code and research misconduct, addressing the responsibilities of both institutions and researchers.

Australia Research Council (ARC)/National Health and Medical Research Council (NHMRC)/Universities Australia (UA)

Australian Research Integrity Committee

- The Australian Research Integrity Committee (ARIC) is an independent body which ensures institutions are taking appropriate action in response to allegations of research misconduct.
- ARIC is being jointly established by the National Health and Medical Research Council (NHMRC) and the Australian Research Council (ARC) as a national research integrity advisory body. Upon request ARIC will, in appropriate cases, review the processes followed by universities and other research organisations in response to allegations of research misconduct.
- Through the NHMRC and the ARC, the Australian Government is committed to ensuring that Australian research is conducted in accordance with the highest ethical standards. ARIC will supplement, rather than replace, existing institutional processes by reviewing, in certain cases and only upon request, the processes followed by institutions in response to allegations of research misconduct.

Institutional Leadership in Advancing Research Integrity



■ Responsibilities

1. Compliance
2. Misconduct management for research
3. Education for prevention

■ Compliance

1. Administrative Management
2. Research Management
3. Financial management

USQ Research Integrity Policy and Misconduct Management



■ **Policies**

1. USQ Policy on the Code of Responsible Conduct for Research
2. USQ Policy on Research Misconduct

■ **Education for Prevention**

1. Staff Induction
2. Research Integrity Workshop
3. Higher Degrees Students Orientation
4. Higher Degrees Students Handbook

Research Integrity Management for International Research Collaboration

“Common sense” does not work for international research collaboration

OECD Publication

Investigating Research Misconduct Allegations in International Collaborative Research Projects: A Practical Guide

Proposed actions:

- Internationally agreed principles on international, national, institutional and individual responsibilities
- Benchmarking Codes of Conduct for Research and national policies
- Responsible international body for research integrity management
- International framework on international research integrity management

Questions?