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A Sponsor’s View
The Wellcome Trust

UK-based independent foundation

US$935 million p.a.

Vision
To achieve extraordinary improvements in human and animal health

Mission
To support the brightest minds in biomedical research and the medical humanities
Three focus areas...

• **Supporting outstanding researchers**
  creating the best research environments; influencing the policy landscape

• **Accelerating the application of research**
  stimulating Technology Transfer, clinical research and uptake to policy & practice

• **Exploring medicine in historical and cultural contexts**
  fostering medical humanities, education & public engagement
Our expectations

Of institutions

• Published standards of good research practice
• Structure and systems to reinforce standards
• Appropriate supervision of researchers & students
• Provision of training and development
• Formal procedures for investigation of misconduct
• Notification of misconduct cases
• Leadership and partnership
Our expectations

Of researchers

• Adhere to standards of good research practice
• Honesty and integrity in all aspects of their research
• Awareness of relevant legal guidelines
• Apply these principles to the supervision of others
• Report cases of suspected misconduct
• Ensure publications are Open Access
• Leadership and partnership
Challenges in the UK

- Confusion about roles & accountabilities
- Information not always forthcoming
- Multiplicity of codes and policies

Responses

- One national code, one national body
- Funders should partner, not police
- Focus on people, not projects: building a Community of research leaders
The Wellcome Trust/DBT India Alliance
Research Fellowship Schemes

Funding current and future leaders of Indian biomedical science
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Department of Biotechnology, India

Indian Government funding body, making a significant impact on the growth and application of biotechnology in the broad areas of agriculture, healthcare, animal sciences, environment and industry.

Wellcome Trust, UK

Global Charity dedicated to achieving extraordinary improvements in human and animal health. It supports the brightest minds in biomedical research and the medical humanities.

- Announced in New Delhi September 2008
- CEO & staff recruited in India October 2008
- Team trained in London Jan - June 2009
- Operational in Hyderabad, India July 2009
Challenges in India

- Dissemination of RI principles
- Development of national code of conduct
- Boosting research career training

Responses

- Partnership to initiate change: funding as leverage
- Knowledge transfer to support RI framework
- Building a Community of research leaders
No freedom without responsibility.