Publishing and research ethics as a wicked problem

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The Academic Setting

- Cultural narrative on publication ethics, lead from the front
- Guidelines crafted around responsible research practices
- Online resources to accommodate different media usage
- Post publication responsibilities – and why it matters
- Publication and authorship training
- Encouraging use of originality software prior to publication
- Bespoke training post-integrity events
- Monitoring of research approved by an ethics committee
- Do some targeted “stuff” when needed
The Academic Setting – Priorities

• Post-investigation, correction of the public record is an imperative.
  • from an institutional perspective – reputation, integrity of reported research, and trust by funders
  • Needs to occur in the timely manner, to avoid ongoing re-agitation of publication issues
• Managing the privacy and confidentiality of respondents – often at odds to the demands of complaints and or in providing the details of an investigation outcome to publishers
• Collateral damage management for co-authors which might include early career researchers, HDR students, collaborators and funders.
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The new COPE and institutional membership arrangement presents an opportunity to develop and road test a cooperative workflow model which identifies key decision points and processes.

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This could extend to an international collaboration with institutional members and integrity organisations (national or organisation based – i.e. ORI, ARIC, Tri-Agency, UKRIO).

Develop a joint statement of standards for managing publication, retractions and corrections.