



Policy Brief

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7.8 Policy on Research Misconduct

Administering Department: Research Compliance & Regulatory Affairs

Scope:

Summary

This policy sets forth the requirements and procedures that should be followed in reporting, assessing, inquiring about, and investigating allegations of Research Misconduct.

- **Research Misconduct Management Process:** The research misconduct management process follows requirements from federal regulations. In the graphic below you will see a summary of the process. Please note that we work with School Representatives (SR) to create committees to review allegations during the inquiry and investigation processes. The RIO keeps this process confidential as much as possible.



Applicability

This policy applies to all Institutional Workforce Members (Faculty, Staff, and Students).

Compliance with the Policy

Institutional Workforce Members who learn about a potential research misconduct allegation must report their concerns to the Research Integrity Officer (RIO) at rio@emory.edu.



In addition, the individual(s) (Complainant) bringing forward an allegation of research misconduct (allegation) should provide good-faith reports, keeping the matter confidential. The individual(s) responding to an allegation of research misconduct (Respondent) must cooperate with the RIO during the allegation review process

Noncompliance with the Policy

At any time during the Research Misconduct Proceedings, Emory University, At any time during the Research Misconduct proceedings, Emory University, for itself or in consultation with appropriate governmental agencies, reserves the right to take any Administrative Actions/Sanctions, including as necessary to protect the health and safety of Research personnel and subjects; to protect the funds or resources of Emory or sponsors; to protect the University's reputation and academic integrity; to protect the integrity of the Research process; to comply with any applicable governmental laws, regulations, guidelines, rules, or policies; and to comply with any contractual obligations.

These actions may include but are not limited to:

- Additional monitoring of the Research Process and the handling of funds and equipment;
- Reassignment of personnel or the responsibility for managing funding/resources;
- Additional review of Research data and results;
- Notification to sponsoring agencies;
- Withdrawal or correction of pending or published abstracts, manuscripts, or other publications, and/or notification to journal editors; and
- Other actions deemed appropriate of the circumstances.

In addition, the DO or any other disciplinary official or committee established by applicable Emory or individual school policy may propose sanctions or corrective action, including with respect to employment status or promotion.