EDITORIAL

Research Integrity: Dishonesty and research misconduct within the medical profession

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ABSTRACT

Research Integrity is a moral and ethical principle in research. Research Integrity is often associated with the process until the publication of research reports in journals or databases. Research integrity is also related to the honesty of a researcher in obtaining research data, processing research data, and the publication process until the application of research results. Enforcement of research integrity as an effort to maintain the quality and integrity of researchers to restore the true purpose of research and the research results will have an impact on the development of technology and the advancement of human resources and other goals.

INTRODUCTION

Writing articles as an effort to report the results of our findings and research to be read by the public so that they can be considered as evidence to be applied. In reporting research results, many violations are often found, starting from the process of sending articles to the target journal, the review process to the fast publication, and even the most damaging, namely the process of conducting research. Practices like this are no longer new in publication, for example, authors and editors are involved in a conflict of interest in one manuscript so that the credibility and evidence of the results of the research report are doubted. One effort to overcome this is with research integrity (RI). The moral and ethical standards that underlie the implementation of research activities are called research integrity (RI). (1) Research Integrity also refers to ethical standards in all stages of the research process, from the research background, methods, data analysis, data collection, and research results to publication.

The need and demands for fast publication and research are causes that contribute to the loss of research integrity.

RESEARCH INTEGRITY APPLICATION

Research integrity is the responsibility of researchers or authors and includes institutions, journals, and readers. Researchers are central to upholding research integrity, but institutions also play a role in correcting and providing guidance and valuable assistance to researchers. (2) As a publication medium, journals must avoid conflict of interest so that editors can work in reviewing articles with integrity and exploring the novelty of the research. Readers, as the last layer, do not have a role but contribute before the research results are applied.

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