

## **Research Integrity Annual Report: 2024-2025**

### **Introduction**

In 2024-2025, we:

- continued to promote training opportunities amongst our researchers and research degree students;
- participated in the 2024 Concordat to support research integrity consultation;
- considered the UK Committee on Research Integrity's Annual Statement

### **University Policies and Regulations on Research Integrity and on Studies involving Human Participants**

The following UPRs, of direct and indirect relevance to Research Integrity, were reviewed and re-approved, in line with our annual process:

- [Bribery and Corruption \(Section 7.4.1. Conflict in Interest in Research\) – UPR GV12](#)
- [Data Management Policy – UPR IM16](#)
- [Data Protection Policy and Privacy Statement - UPR IM08](#)
- [Ethics Committees with Delegated Authority \(ECDAs\) – UPR RE01, Appendix II](#)
- [Protocol for Reflective Practitioner Work by Academic Staff – UPR RE01, Appendix I](#)
- [Research Misconduct – UPR RE02](#)
- [Studies Involving the Use of Human Participants – UPR RE01](#)

In particular, our research misconduct processes (UPR RE02) were tested as part of a research misconduct case that required formal investigation. Current policy and procedures were found to be satisfactory. However, they will continue to be reviewed against the renewed Concordat and UKRIO's guidance.

### **Cases of Research Misconduct**

There were no informal cases of research misconduct, for either academic staff or research degree students, instigated during this period. There was one formal case of research misconduct involving a post-graduate research student which was handled according to internal regulations.

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