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### **Course Objectives:**

- 1. Course for awareness about the publication ethics and publication misconducts.
- 2. To understand ethical dilemmas faced in research and publication
- 3. To understand Intellectual honesty and research integrity.
- 4. To learn and understand Best Practices for Publication process
- 5. To identify the impact factor journals, and research metrics

#### **Expected Course Outcome:**

On the completion of this course the student will be able to:

- 1. Critically evaluate research Publications and ethical issues.
- 2. Distinguish publication misconduct and scientific research.
- 3. Analyze how ethical challenges can be addressed in research and publication
- 4. Delineate limits of data that are collected and utilized during research and publication
- 5. To comprehend and deal with complex research metrics and data base.

# Module:1 Philosophy and Ethics

3 Hours

Introduction to Philosophy: Definition, nature and scope, concept, branches, Ethics: Moral Philosophy, nature of moral judgments and reactions.

#### **Module:2** | Scientific Conduct

5 Hours

Ethics with respect to Science and Research, Intellectual honesty and Research integrity Scientific misconducts: Falsification, Fabrication and Plagiarism(FFP), Redundant Publications: Duplicate Publications and overlapping Publication, salami slicing, Selective Reporting misrepresentation of data.

#### **Module:3** Publication Ethics

7 Hours

Publication Ethics: Definition, introduction and importance, Best Practices/standards setting initiatives and guidelines: Committee on **Publication Ethics** (COPE), World Association of Medical Editors (WAME) etc., Conflicts of interest, Publication misconduct: definition, concept, problems that lead to unethical behavior and vice versa types, Violation of Publication ethics, authorship and contributorship, Identification of Publication misconduct, complaints and appeals, Predatory Publishers and Journals.

# **Module:4** Practice 1: OPEN Access Publishing

4 Hours

- 1. Open access Publications and initiatives
- 2. SHERPA/ROMEO online resource and check publisher copy right & Self archiving policies
- 3. Software tool to identify predatory publications developed by SPPU Journal finder/ Journal suggestion tools Viz. JANE, Elsevier journal finder, Springer, Journal suggester etc.,

#### **Module:5** | Practice 2:Publication Misconduct

4 Hours

Group Discussion: Subject specific ethical issues , FFP and authorship, Conflict of interest, Complaints and appeals: example fraud from India and abroad, Software tools: Use of Plagiarism software Turnitin, Urkund and other open source software tools

## **Module:6** Practice 3: Databases and Research Metrics

7 Hours

Data Bases: Indexing DataBase, Citation Data Bases: Webof Science, Scopus etc, Impact factor of Journal as per Journal Citation Report, SNIP,SJR,IPP, Cite Score, Metrics: h-index, g index, i10 index, almetrics

#### **Reference Books**

- 1. Leefmann, J., & Jungert, M. (2020). Research Ethics and Scientific Integrity in Neuroscience. Handbook of Research Ethics and Scientific Integrity, 1013-1035.
- 2. Iphofen, R., & Tolich, M. (Eds.). (2018). The SAGE handbook of qualitative research ethics. Sage..
- 3. Temple, A. (2019). The Postgraduate's Guide to Research Ethics. United Kingdom: Macmillan International Higher Education.
- 4. Research and Publications Ethics by Santosh Kumkar Yadav, Ane Publications, 2020
- 5. Kara, H. (2018). Research Ethics in the Real World: Euro-Western and Indigenous Perspectives. United Kingdom: Policy Press.
- 6. Anil. K. Jain, Ethical issues in scientific publication, Indian J Orthop. 2010 Jul-Sep; 44(3): 235–237.
- 7. Gupta, S., Kamboj, S. (2020). Research and Publication Ethics. (n.p.): Alexis Press LLC.
- 8. Bos, J. (2020). Research ethics for students in the social sciences (p. 287). Springer Nature. Cavaliere, P., De Souza, D., Fenton, A. L., Giridharan, B., Gralla, C., Inshakova, N., & Zaharuk, G. (2020). Academic Misconduct and Plagiarism: Case Studies from Universities Around the World. Lexington Books.
- 9. Bretag, T. (Ed.). (2016). Handbook of academic integrity. Springer Singapore.
- 10. Dobrick, F. M., Fischer, J., & Hagen, L. M. (2018). Research Ethics in the Digital Age. Wiesbaden: Springer.
- 11. Manual for research and publication ethics in science and engineering, Korean Federation of Science and Technology Societies, Seoul, Korea, 2016
- 12. Kleinert S & Wager E (2011) Responsible research publication: international standards for editors. Promoting Research Integrity in a Global Environment. Imperial College Press / World Scientific Publishing, Singapore (pp 317-28). (ISBN 978-981-4340-97-7)

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