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UKRIO welcomes House of Commons Science and Technology Committee's report on research integrity

The UK Research Integrity Office welcomes the Science and Technology Committee's in-depth inquiry into research integrity. Research integrity safeguards high scientific standards and is essential to retain the public's trust, enhance the UK's international reputation, and ensure the safety and wellbeing of research participants.

The report recognises the important role UKRIO has played, and will continue to play, in supporting and safeguarding good research practice across all academic disciplines. UKRIO's focus is on practical and proportionate support, using its unique expertise to inform UK policy and practice on research integrity.

Sir Bernard Silverman, Chair of UKRIO, said: "The UK research community has certainly made considerable progress on research integrity in recent years, but, as this excellent report shows, there is no room for complacency. We strongly support the report's conclusions and are looking forward to playing a leading role in the implementation of its recommendations."

NOTES FOR EDITORS

1. The UK Research Integrity Office (UKRIO) is an independent charity, offering support to the public, researchers and organisations to further good practice in academic, scientific and medical research. We promote integrity and high ethical standards in research across all disciplines of research, from the arts and humanities to the life sciences, as well as robust and fair methods to address poor practice and misconduct. We do this through our publications on research practice, our support and services to organisations, our education and training activities, and by providing expert guidance in response to requests for assistance.
2. On 11 July 2018, the House of Commons Science and Technology Committee published its report on research integrity. It explores the scope and impact of problems arising from mistakes, questionable behaviours and misconduct in research, and what might be done to address these issues. The report, along with further information on the inquiry into research integrity, is available [on the Committee's website](#).
3. As part of the inquiry, Sir Bernard Silverman, Chair of UKRIO's Trustees, and James Parry, Chief Executive of UKRIO, gave evidence to the House of Commons Science and Technology Committee in January 2018. A transcript of the session [is available here](#).
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