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# **UKRIO Subscriber meeting 2023**

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## Welcome

#### Dear friends and colleagues,

I'm delighted that you're joining us for this year's virtual conference sessions exclusive to UKRIO subscribers.

Our subscribers are at the heart of what we do as a charity. A key aim for UKRIO since its inception was to build deep working relationships with research organisations and support them in the promotion of good research practice.

Now more than a hundred institutions subscribe to UKRIO, we believe that our actions reflect the value of the support we provide to you.

That support will continue to evolve and today's sessions will include updates on what UKRIO has been doing and what we have planned for the future.

We'll also be focussing on the issues that matter to you and there'll be plenty of opportunities to hear your views on challenges and opportunities in research integrity.

Those views are really important to us. I hope you enjoy today's sessions and we look forward to using lessons learned from this event to inform our future support for you and your organisations.

#### **James Parry**

**Chief Executive, UK Research Integrity Office** 



## **Event overview**

For representatives of UKRIO's subscribing institutions: join a free, subscriber-only section of our virtual annual conference for presentations and discussions on key research integrity issues, updates on forthcoming work from UKRIO, and the opportunity to discuss the issues that matter to you.

There will be four sessions exclusively for UKRIO subscribers:

- > Invited speaker Dr Daniel Barr, Principal Research Integrity Advisor, at RMIT University, Australia who will share his knowledge of using authorship dispute procedures.
- > Sharing best practice forum. A subscriber-led session to discuss challenges and current issues as well as to share successes. Themes will include research ethics, misconduct, research culture, and research integrity training. To help us focus on the issues that matter to you, please complete the short survey when you book your place.
- > An update on developments at UKRIO and our support services for subscribers.
- > Challenges to addressing research misconduct.

## The target audience comprises:

- > Pro-Vice Chancellors (Research)
- > Directors / Heads of Research Offices
- > Research Integrity Officers and equivalent roles
- > Academic and professional services staff working on issues of research culture, research integrity, or related topics such as reproducibility or open research
- > Academic and professional services staff working in research governance or in addressing research misconduct
- > Chairs and members of Research Ethics Committees
- > Heads of Faculties, Departments, or Schools
- Research managers and other professional services staff in research support roles

Please note that this event is strictly for members of UKRIO subscriber institutions only. If you're unsure whether your organisation is one of our subscriber institutions, please see the list here. If your institution would like to learn more about the benefits of supporting UKRIO, please contact us.

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# **Schedule**

# Thursday 25 May 2023, 10.00 am - 1.00 pm

10.00 am	EVENT OPEN
10.02 am	Welcome and introduction
	James Parry, Chief Executive, UK Research Integrity Office
10.10 am	Supporting responsible authorship
	Dr Daniel Barr, RMIT University
10.55 am	Sharing best practice forum Subscriber-led session to discuss challenges and current issues as well as sharing successes. Themes will include research ethics, misconduct, research culture, and research integrity training.
	<b>What to expect:</b> Round-table breakout groups, to help us focus on the issues that matter to you.
11.50 am	REFRESHMENT BREAK
12.05 pm	Achievements and future plans An update on developments at UKRIO and our support services for subscribers.
	UK Research Integrity Office team
	Dr Josephine Woodhams, Senior Research Integrity Manager
	Nicola Sainsbury, Research Integrity Manager
	Matt Hodgkinson, Research Integrity Manager
	<b>Dr Mohi Ahmed</b> , Research Integrity Manager
12.35 pm	Challenges to addressing research misconduct
	James Parry and Nicola Sainsbury



# Speaker biographies

#### **Introduction and Welcome**



James Parry
FRSB Chief Executive
UK Research Integrity Office

James is the Chief Executive of the UK Research Integrity Office Joining UKRIO in 2006, he took up his current role in 2008, overseeing UKRIO's transition to a registered charity supported by over 110 research organisations.

James has collaborated on numerous initiatives to support research integrity. He contributed to the Royal Society-UKRIO project <u>Integrity in Practice</u>, a tool kit examining ways to effect positive change in research culture, and is an Observer on the Concordat Signatories Group, helping with the ongoing development of the <u>UK</u> <u>Concordat to Support Research Integrity</u>.

Prior to joining UKRIO James worked as an archaeologist and a university administrator. He was elected as a Fellow of the Royal Society of Biology in 2023.

## Supporting responsible authorship



Dr Daniel Barr RMIT University

Dr Daniel Barr is the Principal Research Integrity Advisor at RMIT University, Australia. Dr Barr is involved in the management and teaching of research integrity and ethics. He also conducts research in research integrity and ethics and is a co-author of the *Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation Guiding Principles for Research Integrity* published in 2022.

Dr Barr was Co-Chair of the 6<sup>th</sup> World Conference on Research Integrity in Hong Kong in 2019 and Co-Chair of the Asia-Pacific Research Integrity Network Conference in Seoul and online in 2021. Dr Barr serves as a board member of the World Conferences on Research Integrity Foundation and the Asia-Pacific Research Integrity Network. Dr Barr was awarded the Paul Taylor Medal for Excellence in Research Integrity by the Australasian Research Management Society in 2021.





Dr Josephine Woodhams Senior Research Integrity Manager UK Research Integrity Office

Dr Josephine Woodhams has a PhD in Medicine (Clinical Studies). She previously worked as a Senior Research Associate with over 10 years' experience of designing and performing experiments in photobiology and nanomedicine at London's Global University – UCL. She has contributed to collaborative cancer research projects with partners within the EU and USA.

Josephine's role as Senior Research Integrity Manager is to support the delivery of UKRIO's programme of work and assist with the development of new activities, in accordance with the objectives of the charity. A key element of her role is liaising with UKRIO's many subscriber institutions, to ensure proactive support of the needs of their researchers.

Josephine collaborates closely with Chief Executive James Parry, the Trustees and Advisory Board, UKRIO volunteers, and the representatives and members of UKRIO subscriber institutions.

She has an interest in animal welfare and hopes to enable institutions to sustain and enhance their research culture through her post at UKRIO.



Nicola Sainsbury Research Integrity Manager UK Research Integrity Office

Nicola has a BA and an MA in modern languages. She has worked in higher education for 25 years, covering a wide range of roles in the areas of postgraduate student administration, quality assurance, governance and research policy, primarily at King's College London.

She worked in leadership roles with responsibility for research integrity and research ethics for a number of years, and has experience of managing and operating a research misconduct procedure and the matters raised under it.

She took a career break during 2018-19, during which she volunteered for several wildlife and conservation organisations. She now works part-time for UKRIO as a Research Integrity Manager, using the experience she has developed to support the delivery of UKRIO's programme of work and to assist with the development of new activities, in accordance with the objectives of the charity.





## Matt Hodgkinson Research Integrity Manager UK Research Integrity Office

Matt has a BA (Hons) in Biological Science and an MSc in Genetics. He worked in open-access science journal publishing for 18 years, developing expertise in peer review, critical appraisal, editorial policy, and publication ethics as an editor at BMC and PLOS and then heading the Research Integrity team at Hindawi.

He is a council member of the Committee on Publication Ethics (COPE), Treasurer of the European Association of Science Editors (EASE), and a mentor for AuthorAID.

Matt has joined UKRIO as a Research Integrity Manager to support the work programme of the charity, including the advisory service and the development of policies and publications.



Dr Mohi Ahmed Research Integrity Manager UK Research Integrity Office

Dr Mohi Ahmed trained as a Neuroscientist with a PhD in Developmental Genetics. He has more than 10 years' experience as a researcher at King's College London and Mount Sinai School of Medicine, New York. He has specific interests in chromatin dysfunction during development and epigenetic mechanisms underlying hearing loss and dementia.

Mohi's role as a Research Integrity Manager at UKRIO is to uphold the ethos of the charity and delivering high-quality support to the public, researchers and organisations.

Mohi seeks to provide resources and support to the research community to improve and promote a healthy research culture that creates positive environments for conducting research with a high level of integrity.



## **Additional material**

In case you are not already aware, here are the different ways you can get involved with UKRIO:

UKRIO is actively recruiting volunteers. If you are interested in good research practice, why not <u>volunteer with UKRIO?</u>

For advice and guidance on publication ethics, authorship, or any other aspects of good research practice, please <u>visit our advice page</u>.

Register your interest in speaking at a UKRIO webinar by completing this short survey

Explore our frequently updated resource library.

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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 pursue these aims through a multi-faceted approach:

- Education via our guidance publications on research practice, training activities and comprehensive events programme.
- Sharing best practice within the community by facilitating discussions about key issues, informing national and international initiatives, and working to improve research culture.
- Giving confidential expert guidance in response to requests for assistance.

Established in 2006, UKRIO is the UK's most experienced research integrity organisation and provides independent, expert and confidential support across all disciplines of research, from the arts and humanities to the life sciences. We cover all research sectors: higher education, the NHS, private sector organisations and charities. No other organisation in the UK has comparable expertise in providing such support in the field of research integrity.

UKRIO welcomes enquiries on any issues relating to the conduct of research, whether promoting good research practice, seeking help with a particular research project, responding to allegations of fraud and misconduct, or improving research culture and systems.

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