

Queen Mary University of London PhD Induction

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You are in my role ...



- When Professor B submitted a manuscript for publication, he removed Dr Y as an author and added a senior colleague instead
 - How would you respond to Dr Y?
 - Could anything have been done to prevent this situation from occurring in the first place?
 - Are there any wider issues to consider?



- You notice that in three papers written by a Professor, all published in peer reviewed, high profile journals, images that appear identical.
 - What should you do?
 - And what are the next options?



- large portions of Professor Z's most recent article, which appeared in a major national newspaper, was plagiarised substantially from a number of different sources.
 - How do you respond to the journalist?
 - How do you take the matter forward?



- You have been notified of several irregularities in papers from a senior researcher at QMUL
- The researcher agrees these are suspicious
- Attributes to a collaborator in Poland currently under investigation in Poland for fraud
 - How do you proceed in these circumstances?



- Your post-doc runs the background section of your paper through Chat GPT
- The result reads very well

 What should you do?



