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Abstract:

Nanyang Technological University, Singapore (NTU), a research-intensive public university, houses a vibrant community of over 5,000 faculty, research staff, and graduate students engaged in diverse projects across various disciplines. Maintaining research integrity is integral to NTU's pursuit of excellence, ensuring the highest ethical standards in all research endeavours. This poster introduces a tailored framework designed for NTU, aiming to educate researchers on the importance of research integrity and promote responsible research practices.

To foster a culture of honesty, transparency, and accountability in research, NTU's Research Integrity framework focuses on three primary areas: Policy, Training, and Continuous Learning. The Research Integrity Policy serves as the foundation, guiding staff and students in responsible conduct and addressing allegations of research misconduct.

Raising awareness and understanding of research integrity within the NTU community involves implementing specialized educational programs for individuals at different levels. Initiatives include a Research Integrity Declaration for new members and collaborations with Epigeum to developing online courses for faculty, research staff, and graduate students. By equipping researchers with the knowledge and resources to navigate ethical challenges, the university empowers them to conduct research with integrity and confidence.

Learning about research integrity is an ongoing process, requiring continuous education and staying abreast of evolving trends. The framework prioritizes regular educational activities such as research integrity conferences, workshops, and bulletins.

In conclusion, the Research Integrity framework in NTU has helped to cultivate a culture of ethical conduct and research integrity within our research communities.