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A BULLETIN BY THE RESEARCH INTEGRITY AND ETHICS OFFICE



Grant Call on Research Integrity

With the development of new programmes and initiatives to support research integrity in NTU, RIEO is launching a **Grant Call on Research Integrity** to fund research proposals relating to the practice of research integrity in NTU. Research proposals up to a **maximum project value of \$50,000** over **18 months** will be considered. The deadline for application is **Monday, 2 Jul 2018, 8.00am**. [Click here for the application website](#).

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Incident Reporting for NTU IRB

Singapore's legislation (HBRA) and university policy on research involving humans require PIs to submit **reportable incidents** to NTU IRB (and to Ministry of Health, where necessary) for review.

Reportable incidents include Protocol deviations/ Non-compliances, Unanticipated problems, and any Adverse events encountered by participants through the course of research.

An **Incident Report Form** is available on our IRB website for PIs to use. More details on Incident Reporting can be found on our [IRB Guidelines page](#).



Personal Data and Informed Consent in Research

In the Cambridge Analytica controversy over the trawling of personal data of Facebook users, Dr Aleksandr Kogan of Cambridge University had obtained personal data from millions of Facebook users through a personality quiz app that was funded by a company linked to Cambridge Analytica. Dr Kogan then submitted an ethics application to Cambridge University for approval to use the data collected for his own academic research. The ethics panel rejected his project as it "falls far below the ethical expectations of the university". [\[+Read more\]](#). Cambridge University also issued a [statement here](#).



Following from this fallout, an article in Nature calls for researchers to consider the ethics of their work to prevent continued loss of public trust. This is particularly critical in the area of obtaining informed consent so that participants are fully aware of all possible consequences that may arise from their participation in a study. [\[+Read more\]](#).

Deadlines:	1 June 2018: Next due date for submissions to NTU-IRB and NTU-IACUC
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