Case Example

Dr. Gold works hard on her research and publications. She is also willing to help others with their research ideas. Other faculty are willing to review her work but several times her work comes back not only with edits but with the faculty members name as an author on the manuscript. She feels that these faculty have not earned a place as an author and is unable to confront the faculty members who do this.

Case Example Questions

* What factors often result in others stealing work that does not belong to them?
* Are there standards that apply in this situation?
* Are there risks taken when individuals claim authorship that is not deserved?

Case Example

Ms. Avery is a statistician who assists with the planning of study design, procedures, analysis of the data and in writing the proposal. In many instances she has made a contribution to the study in multiple ways and is listed as an author on the publication. Some faculty have questioned this practice and feel that consultants or experts should not accept authorship.

Case Example Questions

* Are there conditions in which a consultant or expert would be listed as an author?
* Do you think that authorships that are “gifts” or a “courtesy” should be allowed?
* Can an individual’s contributions be acknowledged without naming the individual as a co-author?