**HIGHER EDUCATION INSTITUTIONS**

**SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH AND PUBLICATION ETHICS GUIDELINE**

**FIRST SECTION**

**Purpose, Scope, Basis**

**Purpose**

**Article 1 - (1) This Guideline has been prepared to determine the ethical rules to be followed in scientific research, studies, publications and activities, and the duties, authorities and responsibilities, and working procedures and principles of scientific research and publication ethics committees to be established within the bodies of higher education institutions.**

**Scope**

**Article 2 - (1) This Directive covers,**

**a) All kinds of scientific research and studies conducted by members of higher education institutions or persons regardless of their affiliation with higher education institutions during and after the acquisition of academic titles in accordance with the provisions of the current legislation, scientific activities carried out, supported and/or conducted scientific research and development projects,**

**b) Research ethics issues related to theses and scientific publications made during postgraduate education and scientific research and development projects,**

**c) Publication ethics issues related to all kinds of publications published or sent for publication in all kinds of press, visual and audio media outlets in Turkey and abroad by members of higher education institutions,**

**ç) Ethical violations committed by members of higher education institutions in subjects to be used in biomedical research and in studies related to ecology.**

**Basis**

**Article 3 – (1) This directive has been prepared based on Articles 24, 42 and 65 of Law No. 2547.**

**CHAPTER TWO**

**Actions Contrary to Scientific Research and Publication Ethics**

**Article 4 - (1) Actions that are contrary to scientific research and publication ethics are as follows:**

**a) Plagiarism: Presenting others' original ideas, methods, data or works as one's own work, partially or completely, without citing them in accordance with scientific rules,**

**b) Forgery: Using data that does not actually exist or has been falsified in scientific research,**

**c) Distortion: Falsifying research records or obtained data, presenting devices or materials that are not used in the research as if they were used, falsifying or shaping research results in line with the interests of persons and organizations from which support is received,**

**ç) Re-publication: Presenting duplicate publications as separate publications in academic appointments and promotions,**

**d) Slicing: Dividing the results of a research into parts in a way that will disrupt the integrity of the research and inappropriately, publishing them more than once and presenting these publications as separate publications in academic appointments and promotions,**

**e) Unfair authorship: Using people who have no active contribution including or not including people who are among the authors, changing the author order in an unjustified and inappropriate manner, removing the names of those who have made active contributions from the work in subsequent editions, using one’s influence to have one’s name included among the authors even though one has not made an active contribution,**

**(2) Other types of ethical violations are as follows:**

**a) Not stating the supporting persons, institutions or organizations and their contributions in publications resulting from research conducted with support,**

**b) Using theses or studies that have not yet been submitted or defended and accepted as sources without the permission of the owner,**

**c) Not complying with ethical rules in research conducted on humans and animals, not respecting patient rights in publications,**

**ç) Acting contrary to the relevant legislation provisions in biomedical research and other clinical research on humans,**

**d) Sharing information in a work that one has been assigned to review with others before publication without the explicit permission of the owner,**

**e) Using resources, places, facilities and devices provided or allocated for scientific research for purposes other than intended,**

**f) Making baseless, unfounded and intentional allegations of ethical violations**

**g) Publishing data obtained without obtaining the explicit consent of participants in surveys and attitude research conducted within the scope of a scientific study or without obtaining the permission of the institution if the research will be conducted in an institution,**

**h) Harming animal health and ecological balance in research and experiments,**

**ı) Not obtaining written permissions from authorized units before starting the research and experiments.**

**i) Conducting studies in research and experiments contrary to the provisions of the legislation or international agreements to which Turkey is a party regarding relevant research and experiments.**

**j) Not complying with the obligation of researchers and authorities to inform and warn the relevant parties about possible harmful practices related to the scientific research conducted,**

**k) Not using data and information obtained from other persons and institutions in scientific studies to the extent and in the manner permitted, not respecting the confidentiality of this information and not ensuring its protection,**

**l) Making false or misleading statements regarding scientific research and publications in academic appointments and promotions,**

**Value Contrary to Scientific Research and Publication Ethics**