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**Examination of allegations against Mr. Mohammad Taheri concerning violations of good research practice**  
**Decision of the University Executive Board pursuant to § 27 of the Statutes on Ensuring Good Research Practice at the University of Jena**

Dear Mr. Magazinov, dear Mr. Schneider,


the Executive Board of Friedrich Schiller University Jena has reviewed the allegations made by you in February 2024 against Mr. Mohammad Taheri concerning a violation of good research practice. Following a procedure conducted under the Statutes on Ensuring Good Research Practice at the University of Jena and based on the report of the Commission for Good Research Practice at the University of Jena, the Executive Board has determined that a violation of good research practice – and thus scientific misconduct – has occurred. The President has issued a reprimand to Mr. Mohammad Taheri.

The misconduct was found in the failure to consider retractions in at least three cases. In addition, many of the publications violate the principle to avoid splitting results into inappropriately small publications. No further specific deficiencies could be determined. However, it was also not possible – and not necessary for the determination of misconduct – to examine every single article in detail. However, I would like to point out that Mr Taheri is no longer employed at the University Hospital.

In a separate procedure, the Commission also examined whether Mr. Taheri's supervisor, Prof. Dr. Aria Baniahmad, violated good scientific practice in the course of his supervision. According to the unanimous view of the Commission, Mr. Baniahmad's conduct was at the borderline of scientific misconduct, but did not cross it, and therefore no further measures were necessary.

Finally, I would like to thank you once again for your valuable input regarding possible violations of good research practice.

Sincerely

  
Andreas Marx