

Alleged scientific misconduct



Whistleblower informs local Ombudsperson(s) or  
the Ombudsman committee

Investigations by local Ombudsperson(s) or the Ombudsman committee

Suspicion cannot be  
confirmed



Investigations are  
discontinued

Serious fraud cannot  
be ruled out



Case is forwarded to the local  
institutional commission handling  
alleged scientific misconduct

Suspicion confirmed,  
misconduct is correctable



Mediation between  
whistleblower and defendant