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Mentoring PhD candidates towards Research Integrity

Dear Amsterdam UMC colleague,

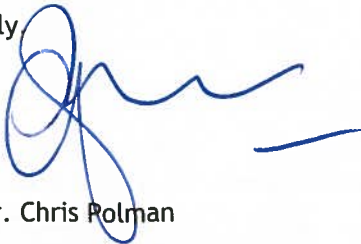
Last year, all members of the scientific staff have been invited to participate in a study that investigates the research climate at the Amsterdam University Medical Centre (location AMC and VUmc) as well as the other academic institutions in Amsterdam (Vrije Uiversiteit and Universiteit van Amsterdam). The study explores the *Academic Research Climate in Amsterdam (ARCA)*. Based on the survey results and the focus groups that were subsequently held to figure what promising interventions would be to improve the research climate, the researchers have developed a training for PhD supervisors: **Superb Supervision - Mentoring PhD students towards Research Integrity**.

I endorse the goals of this pilot training and encourage you to participate in it. The training offers an unique possibility to get hands-on experience with a variety of tools that can foster responsible research in your PhD-students. Besides that, soft-skills of effective mentorship are practiced and discussed. With your participation, we believe we can deliver better support to the new generation of researchers at the Amsterdam UMC.

Please be aware that your participation is free of charge. As it is a pilot, your answers will be used to further improve the training. Learn more about the training here:
<http://amsterdamresearchclimate.nl/superb-supervision/>.

On behalf of the Executive Board of the Amsterdam UMC, I thank you for your time, your efforts and your participation!

Sincerely



Prof. dr. Chris Polman

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