

Ahmad, your well-structured post on Abi's ethical dilemma effectively highlights the complexity of ethical decision-making in research, while emphasizing the significance of scientific integrity, legal compliance, maintenance of professional standards, and recognition of social implications.

However, even though your suggestion to the involvement of a third party for an independent review will be beneficial in upholding the accuracy of Abi's findings, it is also important to acknowledge and assess the challenges and potential limitations of this approach. Which are, third-party involvement may introduce legal and financial constraints (Sitkareva, et al., 2019), as well as security issues if they do not adhere to data privacy laws and requirements, and cybersecurity practices (User research community, 2018), - thus potentially affecting the feasibility and timely completion of the research.

Additionally, other challenges like selecting an unbiased review board or potential conflicts of interest within the reviewing process, could offer a more balanced perspective on the matter (Bouter, et al., 2016), - may rise.

Lastly, the same goes for publishing, whereby, Abi should look into the repercussions he would face if he publishes. It may impact him negatively if he does not have the full ownership of the work or consent from the people involved, etc (RCR Administrators, N.D.); (Europe Commission, 2013).

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