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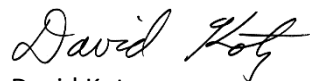
Dear Professor Soneji,

As previously communicated to you, I am writing to inform you that I have accepted the report of the Investigation Committee in the research misconduct case relating to allegations of plagiarism brought by you and your colleague, Prof. Hiram Beltran-Sanchez, against Professor H. Gilbert Welch regarding an article published in *The New England Journal of Medicine* (DOI: 10.1056/NEJMoa1600249). The Investigation Committee has determined that Prof. Welch “engaged in research misconduct, namely, plagiarism, by knowingly, intentionally, or recklessly appropriating the ideas, processes, results or words of Complainants without giving them appropriate credit, and that these actions represented a significant departure from accepted practices of the relevant research community.”

I renew my assurance to you that the Dartmouth College Research Misconduct Policy and Procedures prohibits retaliation in connection with your submission of the allegations. Please inform Vice Provost Dean Madden if you experience any retaliatory acts, so they can be addressed in accordance with College policy.

Please let me know of any questions or concerns.

Sincerely,



David Kotz