

A CLOSER LOOK
THINKING
THROUGH ETHICS

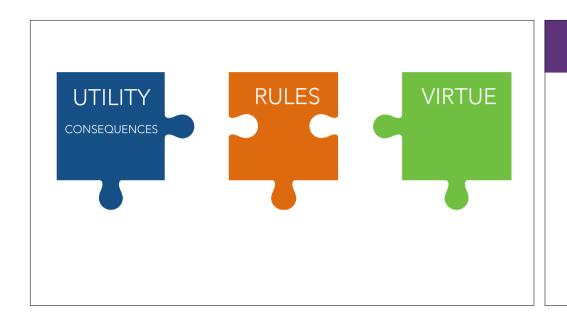
You are writing a journal article with two colleagues in your research group. The article is based dominantly on your work and you are likely to be the first author.

At the end of the process your PI asks you to include a professor from an US institution as one of the authors. The professor has not published in this specific area previously, though there is an impressive research record in the field. You would be the first author and the invited professor would be second, followed by your colleagues in the group. You are aware of plans for a joint funding application between your two groups which may result in interesting post doc opportunities in US Institution.

You should agree to the request because...
You should reject the request because...

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## WAYS WE USE ETHICAL APPROACHES?

- Sequential or nested
- Understanding others
- Pinpointing key ethical dilemmas
- Shared decision-making

## THE REFLECTIVE TASK

- You can use this case or another from your own experience.
- Consider all the different ways a decision could be made
- Identify which approaches appeal to you most
- Reflect on the deeper level, why these ones and not the others? How do they link with your core values or how you believe the world works.