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THE ASS IS DOMINANT OVER THE HEAD

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“The ass is dominant over the head” (pigu jue ding naodai) ... which means that a persons’s decision is made by her/his position. Faced with conflicts of interests, scientists tend to consider more their own or the company’s interests when they have close interaction with this company, This is why research must be regulated and supervised by regulatory bodies.

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