The Mentor (George Williams, Principle Investigator)

Participants: George Williams, internationally recognized researcher in

neuropharmacology

Beth Finch, post-doc in Dr. George Williams' laboratory

Adam Miller, junior faculty member in the same department

Mike Olsen, another post-doc in the Williams laboratory

(one year ahead of Beth Finch)

(George Williams calls out to Beth Finch as she passes by his office on her way to the lab early one Friday.)

George: Morning Beth. Can you come in for a minute?

Beth: Sure. Have you had a chance to look at our paper yet? I really appreciate your suggestion that I collaborate with Adam.

George: You two have done a great job sorting out the effects of the new non-tricyclic antidepressants on sleep. I can see that Adam's background in anatomy has been tremendously helpful. I've just made a few minor changes. (He takes the paper from a stack on his desk and hands it to her.) If I've made any comments that aren't clear, just ask and I'll clarify.

Beth: Thank you. We'll make the changes and give you a final draft next week.

(As she begins to walk out the door, Beth looks down at the cover sheet. Slowly she turns back into the room with a puzzled expression on her face.)

Beth: George, why did you write Mike Olsen's name on the cover sheet with a question mark? Is there something you want me to check with him?

George: Oh, I almost forgot. I'd like to suggest that you add Mike's name to the paper. He's done a lot of work on those new compounds.