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In economics, all researchers who make a substantive contribution to a paper should appear as co-authors, and those who do not, should not.

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