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For researchers, navigating the issues raised by dealing with issues of consent and copyright in a networked world, can be challenging. In this paper I will argue that while new rules, guidelines and codes of conduct for ethical practice in the use of social media are important, and may be necessary, what is really missing is a sense of 'everyday ethics' in social media use. It is not good enough to devolve ethical decisions about what we do and say online to others, but we have to recover our own sense of ethical agency. As researchers, journalists, activists or just human beings in a digital world, we should work actively to reduce risk of harm to others, particularly the vulnerable, and never be afraid to speak truth to power.

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