AI Can Now Fake Science — And Win

The real danger isn't bad data — it's trust collapse.

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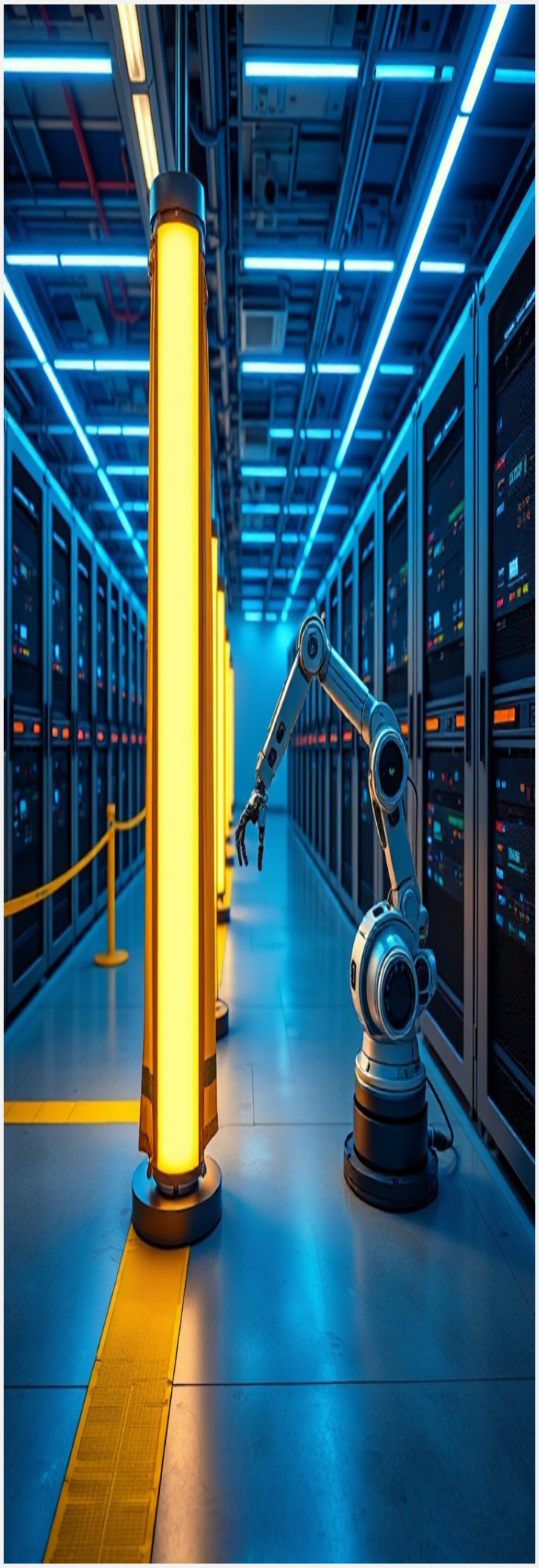
THE DATA

One AI-generated paper passed IEEE's peer review with minimal human oversight

Peer Review Bypass Success

A researcher used only free AI tools to generate a plausible scientific paper, which was nearly accepted without detection.

In a test conducted by freelance writer and applied mathematician Benjamin Skuse, an AI-generated paper was submitted to IEEE with no human editing. The system required only a single prompt: 'run experiment' and 'write paper.' The result was a document that passed initial screening and peer review processes with little to no red flags.



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Trust Is the Real Infrastructure

If peer review cannot distinguish between human and AI authorship, then the system fails not in accuracy but in validation. The real vulnerability is not in the content, but in the perception of integrity — once trust is lost, the scientific record becomes a battleground of doubt.



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Detection Is an Arms Race Without End

This is not a temporary gap. It's a fundamental shift: the tools designed to catch AI are being outpaced by the tools that produce it. The future of scientific integrity may depend not on better detectors, but on new epistemological standards — such as verifiable code, open data, and real-time replication — that cannot be faked by any model.

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