

AD HOMINEM

(argumentum ad hominem)

This fallacy says that the source of the argument is somehow bad, so the argument itself must be bad.

Examples:

- Jack said Susan didn't cheat, but he is a thief, so she probably did cheat.
- Alex said it would rain tomorrow, but it probably won't, because Alex is not very smart.
- My mother said I shouldn't smoke, but she smokes, so I don't believe her.