



NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION
OFFICE OF INSPECTOR GENERAL
OFFICE OF INVESTIGATIONS

CLOSEOUT MEMORANDUM

Case Number: A04100059

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We received an allegation¹ that the subject's² NSF-funded research³ resulted, in part, in the publication⁴ of materials⁵ that included falsified and manipulated data.⁶ We reviewed information related to the publications and the data.⁷ We found no evidence of data falsification or manipulation. The focus of this case involved a very controversial theory that included considerable disagreement within the community about the interpretation of the data. A disagreement over the interpretation of data is not research misconduct.

This case is closed and no further action will be taken.

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