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OFFICE OF INSPECTOR GENERAL
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CLOSEOUT MEMORANDUM

Case Number: A-07090051

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We received an allegation that the subject¹ inappropriately took the complainant's² data and ideas, using them in publications as well as in NSF proposals.³ Our review showed that the subject, a co-PI on an awarded NSF proposal⁴ with the complainant, used some data his award in additional future work and NSF proposals, which as a co-PI on the award he could do. Further, the subject used data the complainant provided to him in some of his publications, but we learned that these data were publicly available and the subject could have acquired these data himself without the complainant's assistance.

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

