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CLOSEOUT MEMORANDUM

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We assessed an allegation that NSF support¹ was improperly acknowledged in a publication² for which the submission date predated the start of the award. The PI of the award stated that the researchers incurred pre-award costs and accomplished research included in the revised manuscript once they received notice of the award, and acknowledgment to the NSF award was added at the galley-proof stage of the publication. NSF rules allow such pre-award activities at the risk of the grantee. Therefore, there is no evidence of impropriety.

This case is closed with no further action taken.

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