



NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION
OFFICE OF INSPECTOR GENERAL
OFFICE OF INVESTIGATIONS

CLOSEOUT MEMORANDUM

Case Number: A03090050

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A notification was received from a university¹ that it had initiated an investigation into allegations of research misconduct, and that NSF funds may be involved in the research projects affected. Shortly thereafter, a copy of the report of the university investigation committee was received, which concluded that an individual² in charge of an analytical service facility³ at the university had committed scientific misconduct by repeated falsification of scientific data.⁴

NSF does not directly support the individual mentioned in the report. Several NSF-supported PIs are working on research projects that involve some of the many services provided by the facility.⁵ Examination of the annual and final reports and the budgets of the active NSF awards show no connection to the laboratory or the individual involved in the university investigation. NSF OIG therefore has no jurisdiction in this matter.

Accordingly, this case is closed.

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