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## CLOSEOUT MEMORANDUM

Case Number: A11090062

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We assessed a concern of academic integrity. The complainant<sup>1</sup> was asked to review a proposal<sup>2</sup> that involves research to be completed by a postdoctoral researcher.<sup>3</sup> The complainant's concerns are that the proposed research is based inappropriately on prior published and unpublished work in which the postdoc participated at another institution, and that the postdoc may have inappropriately contributed to the writing of the proposal during the time he was involved in the prior work.<sup>4</sup>

The postdoc had ample time after finishing the previous work to participate in the preparation of the new proposal. The proposal contains ample reference to the postdoc's previous work, and reference to publications, published and in press, with all co authors listed. The postdoc's previous work is also described in the data management plan, and in the biographical sketch included in the proposal. There is no support for concerns about academic integrity.

Accordingly, this case is closed.

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