

CLOSEOUT FOR M-93070037

An allegation of intellectual theft was brought to the attention of OIG by a complainant, Dr. [REDACTED], Chair, [REDACTED], in a July 19, 1993 letter. It was alleged that the subject, [REDACTED] who was a science writer for the magazine [REDACTED] improperly recounted the present state of new [REDACTED] research in his [REDACTED] article, [REDACTED]. [REDACTED] alleged that [REDACTED] research involving the concept discussed in this article was not "entirely new research," but, instead, was an area that he, [REDACTED], had initiated in the late 1970s.

The National Science Foundation investigates allegations of misconduct involving "activities funded by NSF" (45 C.F.R. § 689.1). OIG reviewed NSF's proposal files and found the subject had never applied for funding from NSF.

This case is, therefore, closed without any finding of misconduct.

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