

NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION OFFICE OF INSPECTOR GENERAL OFFICE OF INVESTIGATIONS

CLOSEOUT MEMORANDUM

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We received an allegation that a PI's¹ annual reports listed grant products (conference abstracts, manuscripts, and patents) that preceded the grant. The PI explained he was thinking about ideas and research that were connected to his grant, and when that thinking led to a product, he considered the product as an accomplishment related to the grant. After our letter, his listing of grant products in subsequent grants was more focused on products generated after the start date of the grant. Accordingly, this case is <u>closed</u> with no further action taken.