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CLOSEOUT MEMORANDUM

Case Number: I-19-0036-O

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We received an allegation that a graduate student, her advisor, and four others intentionally committed plagiarism when they removed another graduate student as author from a manuscript she co-authored and intentionally falsified data when they removed some of that graduate student's calculations from that manuscript.

Our review concluded that the matter constituted an authorship dispute between collaborators, rather than plagiarism or falsification. We further concluded that the students' university had already addressed and resolved the dispute through its authorship committee.

Accordingly, this case is closed with no further action taken.