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CLOSEOUT MEMORANDUM

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We received an allegation that an article that cited NSF support contained intellectual content from other published (source) articles without adequate attribution. We reviewed the allegation and determined that the article did provide attribution to the sources describing a model that was central to the research described in the article. However, the article also contained several tables and figures that appear similar to tables and figures in the sources without any additional attribution.

We determined that the subjects' actions did not rise to the level of research misconduct due to the various citations to the sources. However, we did send a questionable research practice letter to the subjects recommending more complete citation practices.

This case is **closed** with no further action taken.