

This case came to the attention of OIG on September 21, 1990. [REDACTED] the Director [REDACTED], had informed the NSF General Counsel of an allegation of data falsification on the part of [REDACTED] a postdoctoral fellow in the [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] Later OIG learned that a similar allegation had been made against [REDACTED] another postdoctoral fellow in the same Division.

Officials of the institution informed OIG that the published papers containing the falsified data acknowledge funding by NIH but not by NSF. We were also informed that neither subject received personal research support from NSF during the period of the alleged misconduct, and that none of the work related to the allegations was supported by NSF. Though the laboratory in which the subjects worked has NSF support, the institution certified that neither subject used any equipment or supplies funded in any way by NSF. On this basis, we conclude that NSF has no involvement in this matter, and therefore the case is being closed.

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