



NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION
OFFICE OF INSPECTOR GENERAL
OFFICE OF INVESTIGATIONS

CLOSEOUT MEMORANDUM

Case Number: I-18-0053-O

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We received an allegation that an NSF awardee improperly used award funds to pay the stipend of lab staff who were not involved with the NSF award. We obtained records from the university and interviewed relevant individuals. We substantiated the allegation; however, the Department of Justice declined to prosecute the matter due to the low dollar amount. We sent the university a letter advising of its obligation to properly track time and effort on NSF awards.

This case is closed with no further action taken.