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OFFICE OF INSPECTOR GENERAL
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CLOSEOUT MEMORANDUM

Case Number: I-22-0011-O

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We received allegations that an NSF-funded PI (Subject 1) and his former graduate student (Subject 2) engaged in research misconduct by fabricating and falsifying data and results in a published paper. We referred an inquiry to the Subjects' University.

The University found that the Subjects did not commit research misconduct related to any of the allegations. We were challenged in assuring the completeness of report given the rather brief analysis of the evidence and allegations. As a result, we had to consult with a Subject Matter Expert. Based on our review, we agreed with the University's finding.

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