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## CLOSEOUT MEMORANDUM

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Our office received an allegation of plagiarism in a paper acknowledging NSF funding. Our review found that the paper failed to cite a key method reference that was cited multiple times in the NSF award listed as contributing funding towards the research. We contacted the paper's authors. The authors noted they did not present the method as their own and agreed they should have cited the method reference. The authors published a correction to the paper adding the citation. We sent all authors a warning letter, reminding them about the importance of appropriate citation.

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