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January 28, 2020

Re: Animal Welfare Assurance  
A3269-01 [OLAW Case 3K]

Dr. Alison Lakin  
Associate Vice Chancellor  
for Regulatory Compliance  
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Denver, Colorado 80262

Dear Dr. Lakin,

The Office of Laboratory Animal Welfare (OLAW) acknowledges receipt of your January 17, 2020 letter reporting an instance of noncompliance with the PHS Policy on Humane Care and Use of Laboratory Animals at the University of Colorado.

According to the information provided, this Office understands that the University of Colorado Animal Care and Use Committee (ACUC) determined that instances of noncompliance occurred with respect to: the death of a mouse that did not have access to food. Investigative results from the Office of Laboratory Animal Resources revealed that a member of the research staff did not provide adequate food. At a convened meeting of the IACUC, the committee determined that the research staff failed to adequately monitor animal feed. The IACUC determined that a letter of reprimand be issued to the PI as corrective action.

It is noted that the final report did not include the funding source involving the incident. In the future, please include the source of funding and provide grant numbers for all PHS or NSF supported work. Based on its assessment of this explanation, OLAW understands that the University of Colorado has implemented appropriate measures to correct and prevent recurrences of these problems and is now compliant with provisions of the PHS Policy. We appreciate being informed of these matters and find no cause for further action by this Office.

Sincerely,

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Jacquelyn T. Tubbs, DVM  
Veterinary Medical Officer  
Division of Compliance Oversight  
Office of Laboratory Animal Welfare

cc: IACUC Contact

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January 17, 2020

Animal Welfare Assurance # D16-00171

Brent Morse, DVM  
Division of Compliance Oversight  
Office of Laboratory Animal Welfare  
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Bethesda, Maryland 20892-7982

Dear Dr. Morse;

The Institutional Animal Care and Use Committee (IACUC) at the University of Colorado Denver | Anschutz Medical Campus received a report of an animal welfare incident involving the death of one mouse due to no access to food.

Upon investigation by the Office of Laboratory Animal Resources it was determined that a member of the research staff did not provide adequate food.

At a convened meeting of a quorum of the IACUC, a majority of the quorum present determined that the research staff failed to monitor adequately animal feed. The IACUC determined that a letter of reprimand be sent to the PI. The Committee determined further that the Office of Laboratory Animal Welfare (OLAW) be informed of this incident. (NIH Grant # 2514252)

Please let me know if you require further information.

Sincerely,

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Alison Lakin RN, LLB, LLM, PhD  
Associate Vice Chancellor for Regulatory Compliance  
University of Colorado Denver | Anschutz Medical Campus

**Morse, Brent (NIH/OD) [E]**

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**From:** OLAW Division of Compliance Oversight (NIH/OD)  
**Sent:** Wednesday, January 22, 2020 2:56 PM  
**To:** Douse, Mark; OLAW Division of Compliance Oversight (NIH/OD)  
**Subject:** RE: UC Denver (D16-00171)

Thank you for providing these reports Dr. Douse. We will send official responses soon.

Best regards, Brent Morse

Brent C. Morse, DVM, DACLAM  
Director  
Division of Compliance Oversight  
Office of Laboratory Animal Welfare  
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**Subject:** UC Denver (D16-00171)

Animal Welfare Assurance D16-00171

Dear Dr. Morse;

Please find attached four animal reports for your review.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

Mark Douse

Mark A. Douse, PhD  
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