



Institutional Animal Care and Use Committee
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Annual Report to OLAW

Institution: Medical Sciences Campus of the University of Puerto Rico (MSC)

Assurance Number: D16-00262 (A-3421-01)

Reporting Period: January 1st 2019- December 31, 2019

This institution's Institutional Animal Care and Use Committee (IACUC), through the Institutional Official, provide this annual report to the Office of Laboratory Animal Welfare (OLAW).

I. Program Changes [Select A or B]

- ☒ **A.** There have been **no changes** in this institution's program for animal care and use as described in the Assurance. [Skip to Item II.]
- ☐ **B.** Change(s) in this institution's program for animal care and use as described in the Assurance have occurred during this reporting period. ([FAQ 6](#))

Select all that apply:

- ☐ This institution's AAALAC accreditation status has changed ([PHS Policy IV.A.2.](#)).
- ☐ [AAALAC Accredited](#) – Category 1
- ☐ Non-Accredited – Category 2
- ☐ This institution's program for animal care and use has changed ([PHS Policy IV.A.1.a-i.](#)).
[Full description of the changes attached.]
- ☐ The individual designated by this institution as the Institutional Official has changed.
[Provide name, title(s), address, e-mail, phone, and fax numbers in Item V.]
- ☐ The membership of this institution's IACUC has changed. [Current roster provided of members in Item VI.]

II. Semiannual Evaluations

This IACUC has conducted semiannual evaluations of the institution's program and inspections of the institution's facilities (including satellite facilities) on the dates below. Reports of the evaluations and inspections have been submitted to the Institutional Official. The reports include any IACUC-approved departures from the *Guide* with a reason for each departure, any deficiencies (significant or minor) that were identified, and a plan and schedule for correction of each deficiency.

A. Program Evaluations

Two dates (month/day/year) are provided to satisfy the PHS Policy requirement that evaluations be done at 6 month intervals.

Date 1: January 31, 2019

Date 2: August 29, 2019

B. Facility Inspections

Please see attached a list showing the dates.

III. Minority Views

[X] A. There were no minority views during this reporting cycle.

IV. Changes in personnel described in our Assurance:

(b) (6)		
Armando Burgos	DVM	Continues as Associate Director for Veterinary Affairs in CPRC**, and delegated functions as AV.
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* ARC = Animal Resource Center

**CPRC=Caribbean Primate Research Center

V. Signatures

IACUC Chairperson	Institutional Official
Name: Elizabeth Rivera Velázquez, DVM	Name: Segundo Rodríguez Quilichini, MD, FACS, FASCRR
Signature: (b) (6)	Signature: (b) (6)
Date: January, 2020	Date: January, 2020

Semiannual Site Inspections Schedule for 2018

Facility		
	Date 1	Date 2
(b) (4)	January 31, 2019	August 29, 2019
	January 31, 2019	August 29, 2019
	February 1, 2019	August 21, 2019
	March 15, 2019	October 11, 2019
	March 19, 2019	September 19, 2019
	March 19, 2019	October 11, 2019
	March 20, 2019	October 11, 2019
	March 20, 2019	October 2, 2019
	April 3, 2019	October 11, 2019
	May 16, 2019	November 6, 2019
	May 16, 2019	November 6, 2019
	May 17, 2019	December 10, 2019
	May 29, 2019	December 6, 2019
	June 21, 2019	December 12, 2019
	June 26, 2019	December 13, 2019
	**	October 11, 2019
	January 31, 2019	
		December 12, 2019
		December 12, 2019

*Facility inspection is done once a year since only euthanasia procedures for tissue collection are done.

** No animal activities approved at the moment.



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RE: Animal Welfare Assurance D16-00262 Annual Report

To whom it may concern:

I am enclosing the Annual Report for the reporting period of January 1,
2019 to December 31, 2019.

If you have questions do not hesitate to contact me at
frances.candelas@upr.edu or directly to our Institutional Official,
(b) (6) or with Dr.
Elizabeth Rivera, IACUC Chair at elizabethrivera11@upr.edu.

Cordially,

(b) (6)

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