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March 15, 2019

Re: Animal Welfare Assurance
A4366-01 [OLAW Case 1E]

Dr. Steve Monroe
Associate Director, Office of Laboratory
Science and Safety
Centers for Disease Control and Prevention
1600 Clifton Road, NE
Clifton Building 21, Room 02306
Atlanta, GA 30329

Dear Dr. Monroe,

The Office of Laboratory Animal Welfare (OLAW) acknowledges receipt of your February 12, 2019 letter reporting a serious deviation from the provisions of the *Guide for the Care and Use of Laboratory Animals* at the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention- Ft. Collins. According to the information provided, OLAW understands that one mouse died and three others were sick due to the cage not having any food.

The immediate action taken upon discovery consisted of providing food and moist chow pellets. The husbandry staff was retrained on the appropriate conduct of daily health checks and ensuring that all animals have food/water.

Based on its assessment of this explanation, OLAW understands that measures have been implemented to correct and prevent recurrence of this problem. OLAW concurs with the actions taken by the institution to comply with the PHS Policy on Humane Care and Use of Laboratory Animals.

Sincerely,

Axel Wolff, M.S., D.V.M.
Deputy Director
Office of Laboratory Animal Welfare

cc: IACUC Chair




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Centers for Disease Control and Prevention
Division of Vector-Borne Diseases
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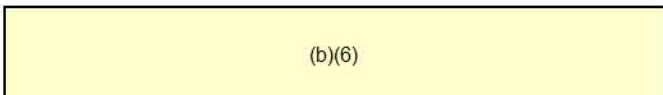
MEMORANDUM

To: Steve Monroe, PhD
Associate Director for Laboratory Science and Safety
Institutional Official

From: Amy Ullmann, Ph.D. 
Chairperson, CDC-Fort Collins Institutional Animal Care and Use Committee
on behalf of the IACUC

Subject: Report- CDC Fort Collins (OLAW Assurance No. A4366-01)

Date: February 12, 2019

CC: 
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Fort Collins Institutional Animal Care and Use Committee (IACUC)

This memorandum is to inform you of a reportable incident that occurred at the Division of Vector-Borne Diseases (DVBD) in Fort Collins, CO that the IACUC recommends reporting to OLAW.

On 21 November, 2018, one mouse was found deceased in a cage containing four total mice. The three cage mates displayed sick-rodent posture but were actively moving around the cage. No food hopper was present, so a full food hopper was immediately placed in the cage, along with moistened pellets placed on the floor of the cage. The three remaining mice began eating as soon as food was presented. The Attending Veterinarian was notified by the individual who discovered the deceased mouse.

This incident was reported to the IACUC office on 26 November, 2018. The IACUC Administrator informed the IACUC Chair. The animal care technical staff was re-trained on 26 November, 2018 regarding animal health checks, with an emphasis on feeders and ensuring that mice have adequate food and water available at all times.

This incident was discussed at the 8 January, 2019 IACUC meeting. The IACUC agreed to report this incident to the Institutional Official and recommended reporting the incident to OLAW, as this incident represents a noncompliance with the *Guide for the Care and Use of Laboratory Animals*, IACUC Policy, Animal Care SOP, and PHS policy.



Centers for Disease Control
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Report – CDC Fort Collins (OLAW Assurance# A4366-01)

11 March 2019

Dr. Brent Morse
Director, Division of Compliance Oversight
Office of Laboratory Animal Welfare
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6705 Rockledge Drive – MSC 7982
Bethesda, MD 20892-7982
Via email: olawdco@od.nih.gov

Dear Dr. Morse,

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Please let me know if you have any questions, thank you.

3/11/2019

X

Stephan S. Monroe, PhD
Institutional Official
Signed by: PIV

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Institutional Official
Director, Office of Laboratory Science and Safety

Morse, Brent (NIH/OD) [E]

From: OLAW Division of Compliance Oversight (NIH/OD)
Sent: Tuesday, March 12, 2019 7:58 AM
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Subject: Program Office (CDC); Monroe, Steve (CDC/DDPHSS/OLSS/OD)
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Thank you for providing this report Dr. Monroe. We will send an official response soon.

Best regards, Brent Morse

Brent C. Morse, DVM, DACLAM
Director
Division of Compliance Oversight
Office of Laboratory Animal Welfare
National Institutes of Health

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