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September 1, 2020

EOR EXPRESS MAIL: Office of Laboratory Animal Welfare 6700B Rockledge Drive, Suite 2500 Bethesda, Maryland 20817 Telephone: (301) 496-7163 Facsimile: (301) 480-3387

Re: Animal Welfare Assurance A3464-01 [OLAW Case 100]

Dr. David M. Anderson Executive Director Health Sciences Administration University of Washington (b) (4) Health Sciences Center, Box 356355 Seattle, WA 98195-6355

Dear Dr. Anderson,

The Office of Laboratory Animal Welfare (OLAW) acknowledges receipt of your 24 August 2020 letter reporting a noncompliance with the PHS Policy on the Humane Care and Use of Laboratory Animals at the University of Washington. Your letter supplements the prompt telephone report received in this office on June 16, 2020. According to the information provided it is understood that 5 mice were tail-tipped for genotyping at 6 weeks of age although the protocol did not include tail-tipping mice older than 28 days of age. One mouse had a complication from the procedure. Anesthesia and analgesia required for tail tipping older mice was not used. No unallowable PHS funds were associated with this incident.

Corrective and preventive actions: The PI was counseled and the protocol was reviewed with all lab members along with the IACUC's "Genotyping of Laboratory Mice" policy. Ear punching is approved on the protocol as a tissue collection method and the lab will use this method for mice that need to be genotyped that are older than 28 days. The lab has arranged for ear punch training for one of its staff who will be assigned to perform all ear punching when adult mice need to be genotyped.

OLAW believes that the corrective and preventive measures put in place by the University of Washington are consistent with the provisions of the PHS Policy on Humane Care and Use of Laboratory Animals for institutional self-monitoring and self-reporting. We appreciate being informed of this matter and find no cause for further action by this office.

Sincerely,

Brent C. Morse - S Morse - S

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Brent C. Morse, DVM Director Division of Compliance Oversight Office of Laboratory Animal Welfare

cc: IACUC contact

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HEALTH SCIENCES ADMINISTRATION Office of the Executive Director

24 August 2020

Dr. Brent Morse <u>olawdco@od.nih.gov</u> Office of Animal Welfare, NIH 6700B Rockledge Drive, Suite 2500, MSC 6910 Bethesda, MD 20892

Re: D16-00292 (A3464-01), Mouse Tail-Tipping not on Protocol and Lack of Anesthesia/Analgesia

Dear Dr. Morse:

This is a final report on a situation reported to OLAW by Dr. Stocking in a telephone call on 6/16/2020.

In a Seattle facility, 5 mice were tail-tipped for genotyping at 6 weeks of age, one of which was reported to Veterinary Services for a complication from that procedure. Upon investigation, it was determined that this protocol does not include tail-tipping mice older than 28 days of age. The group also did not use the anesthesia and analgesia required for tail tipping older mice as outlined in the "Genotyping in Laboratory Mice" policy. The Office of Animal Welfare liaison met with the PI to discuss this incident and they reviewed both the IACUC policy on genotyping and the genotyping information currently approved on their protocol.

Corrective Action: The lab reviewed the terms of the relevant protocol with all lab members. It also reviewed the IACUC's "Genotyping of Laboratory Mice" policy with all lab members. The group has ear punch as an approved tissue collection method and will use this method for mice that need to be genotyped that are older than 28 days. The lab has arranged for ear punch training for one of its staff and will assign him to perform all ear punching when adult mice need to be genotyped.

The IACUC reviewed the incident at its August meeting and found no further action necessary. No unallowable PHS funds were associated with this event.

If you have questions regarding this situation or require additional information, please don't hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

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David M. Anderson, D.V.M. Executive Director, Health Sciences Administration Institutional Official

cc: Dr. Jane Sullivan Dr. Kim Stocking

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## Wolff, Axel (NIH/OD) [E]

From:	OLAW Division of Compliance Oversight (NIH/OD)
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То:	(b) (6)
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Subject:	RE: Final report of non-compliance

Thank you for this report,

(b) (6) We will send a response soon.

Axel Wolff, M.S., D.V.M. Deputy Director, OLAW

From:

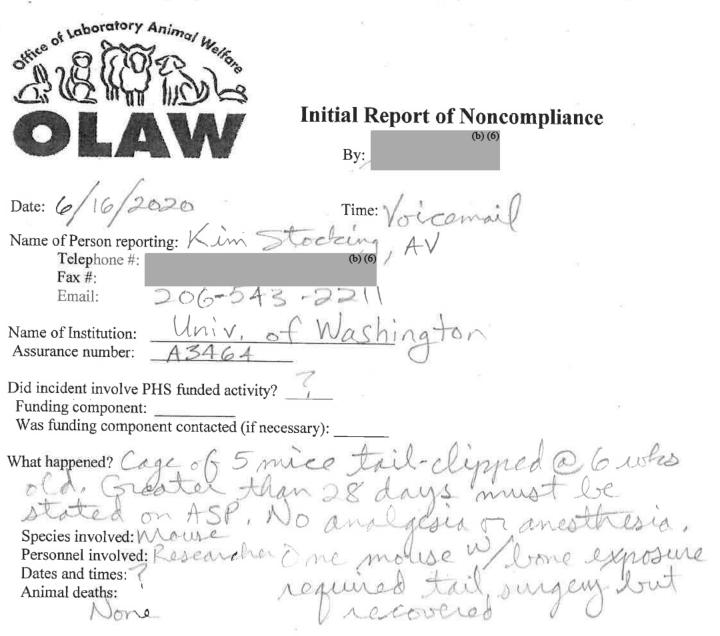
Sent: Thursday, August 27, 2020 11:48 AM To: OLAW Division of Compliance Oversight (NIH/OD) <olawdco@od.nih.gov> Cc: Jane Sullivan <jmsull@uw.edu>; Kim Stocking <kstock@uw.edu> Subject: Final report of non-compliance

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Please see the attached final report of noncompliance at the University of Washington. Let me know if you have any questions.

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Projected plan and schedule for correction/prevention (if known):

Projected submission to OLAW of final report from Institutional Official:

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