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September 11, 2018

Re: Animal Welfare Assurance
A3391-01 [OLAW Case 3A]

Dr. Christopher O'Byrne
Vice President and Associate Dean
Research Administration & Operations
Wake Forest University
Medical Center Boulevard
Winston-Salem, NC 27157

Dear Dr. O'Byrne,

The Office of Laboratory Animal Welfare (OLAW) acknowledges receipt of your August 21, 2018 letter reporting an instance of noncompliance with the PHS Policy on Humane Care and Use of Laboratory Animals at Wake Forest University. According to the information provided, OLAW understands that two nonhuman primates were euthanized with recently expired euthanasia solution. No problems occurred due to the use of the expired drug.

The corrective actions consisted of counseling the Principal Investigator, retraining and reprimanding the veterinary staff responsible, and issuing a Notification of Correction Letter to the Attending Veterinarian on behalf of the staff involved.

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.

Sincerely,

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

cc: IACUC Chair
Robert Gibbens, D.V.M., USDA-APHIS-AC

August 21, 2018

Axel V. Wolff, M.S., D.V.M.
Director, Division of Compliance Oversight
Office of Laboratory Animal Welfare
National Institutes of Health
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Re: Animal Welfare Assurance A3391-01
AWC18-010; USDA customer number 825; AAALAC #00008

Dear Dr. Wolff:

The Wake Forest University Animal Care & Use Program experienced a deviation from standard procedure that was determined by the Wake Forest University (WFU) Institutional Animal Care and Use Committee (IACUC) to be reportable to the NIH Office of Laboratory Animal Welfare.

PHS funding: R01 EY016773 & RO1 EY021228. If appropriate, we will forward to our sponsored research office and all direct costs associated with the procurement, care and use of the animal(s) involved in this noncompliance event will be removed from this account and invoiced to and paid from a nonfederal source.

Incident: Two monkeys were euthanized at their experimental endpoint with euthanasia solution that had expired the previous month. There were no issues with the euthanasia. The use of expired drug was discovered during a bi-annual drug inventory/record check and self-reported to the IACUC.

Preliminary Report: No preliminary report was made to OLAW.

Resolution:

The WFU IACUC contacted the Principal Investigator and discussed current Institutional policies and regulatory compliance related to this concern. The IACUC approved the following actions to resolve this incident:

1. The veterinary persons responsible for performing the euthanasia were retrained and reprimanded.
2. A Notification of Correction Letter was sent to the Attending Veterinarian in charge of the veterinary staff.

All actions have been completed/implemented at this time and the WFU IACUC considers this non-compliance matter closed. The program oversight staff will continue to monitor animal care and use procedures to assure compliance with IACUC approved processes.

WFU is committed to protecting the welfare of animals used in research. Please contact (b) (6) of our IACUC (b) (6) if you wish additional information regarding any aspect of this incident or the subsequent resolution.

Sincerely yours,

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Christopher O'Byrne
Vice President & Associate Dean
Research Administration & Operations
Institutional Official

cc: Dr. Czoty, Chairperson, WF IACUC
AAALAC International (all OLAW NCI letter)

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From: OLAW Division of Compliance Oversight (NIH/OD)
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Cc: OLAW Division of Compliance Oversight (NIH/OD)
Subject: RE: Final Reports on AWC18-010 and AWC18-011

Thank you for these reports, (b) (6) We will send responses soon.

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

From: (b) (6)
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Subject: Final Reports on AWC18-010 and AWC18-011

Please find the final reports on the management of the noncompliance incidents numbered above that involved the care and use of animals in research or teaching at Wake Forest University (Assurance No. D16-00248 (A3391-01)).

Please contact us with any questions or concerns.

Thank you,

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