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June 11, 2021

Re: Animal Welfare Assurance A3079-01 [OLAW Case 4C]

Dr. Dawn A. Bonnell Vice Provost for Research University of Pennsylvania 1 College Hall, (b) (4) Philadelphia, PA 19104-6303

Dear Dr. Bonnell,

The Office of Laboratory Animal Welfare (OLAW) acknowledges receipt of your May 5, 2021 letter reporting an instance of noncompliance with the PHS Policy on Humane Care and Use of Laboratory Animals at the University of Pennsylvania. According to the information provided, OLAW understands that during a routine post approval monitoring session, it was noted that 18 mice did not receive post-procedure analgesia in the frequency approved on the protocol. The record review noted that the animals did not have any post-procedure complications, had normal weight gain and were used on study. An investigator determined the scientist had reviewed and been following an outdated version of the protocol. The study was PHS funded.

As a corrective measure, the scientist was informed of the error and trained on how to retrieve the latest version from the protocol system. The principal investigator and the IACUC Compliance Committee were informed.

OLAW appreciates the prompt consideration of this matter by the University of Pennsylvania which is consistent with the philosophy of institutional self-regulation. OLAW expects continuing post-approval monitoring to prevent recurrence of this non-compliance and potential associated animal welfare concerns. Based on the information provided, OLAW is satisfied that appropriate steps have been taken to investigate this incident and to attempt to prevent recurrence. We appreciate being informed of this matter and please contact us with any further questions or concerns.

Sincerely,

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May 5, 2021

University of Pennsylvania A3079-01 Case 2102

Dear Dr. Morse,

During a routine Post Approval Monitoring (PAM) review of an IACUC approved protocol, it was noted that 18 mice did not receive a post-procedural analgesic in the frequency prescribed in the protocol. The study records also noted that the mice did not have any post-procedure complications, demonstrated normal weight gain, and were used in a study. The investigation determined the study scientist reviewed and followed the previous version of the protocol which had an outdated analgesia plan. The scientist was informed of this error and was counselled on how to retrieve the latest version from the protocol system. The PI and the IACUC Compliance Committee were informed of the error. The grant was 1-R01-HL-139552-01A1

Sincerely yours,

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Dawn Bonnell, PhD Senior Vice Provost for Research Trustee Professor of Materials Science and Engineering Institutional Official

CC: IACUC Chair, University of Pennsylvania
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Director of Animal Welfare, University of Pennsylvania

Wolff, Axel (NIH/OD) [E]

From:

OLAW Division of Compliance Oversight (NIH/OD)

Sent:

Monday, May 10, 2021 7:20 AM

To:

Cc:

OLAW Division of Compliance Oversight (NIH/OD)

Subject:

RE: Penn noncompliance report

Thanks (b) (6) We'll send a response soon.

Axel Wolff

From:

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Sent: Friday, May 7, 2021 2:57 PM

To: OLAW Division of Compliance Oversight (NIH/OD) <olawdco@od.nih.gov>

Subject: Penn noncompliance report

Dear Division of Compliance Oversight

Attached please find a letter regarding an issue at the University of Pennsylvania.

Regards,

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