

## Annual Report to OLAW

Institution: Texas A&M University – Houston/Kingsville Campuses
Assurance Number: D16-00563 (A4012-01)
Reporting Period: October 1, 2020 – September 30, 2021

This institution's Institutional Animal Care and Use Committee (IACUC), through the Institutional Official, provides 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.

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.](#)). [*Attach a full description of the changes.*]
- [ ☒ ] 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. [*Provide current roster 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. [*Do not provide semiannual reports unless they include a minority view.*]

#### A. Program Evaluations

[*Two dates (month/day/year) must be provided to satisfy the PHS Policy requirement that evaluations be done at 6-month intervals. If the IACUC conducted more than 2 evaluations of the program during the reporting period, please attach a list showing the dates.*]

Date 1: March 22, 2020	Date 2: September 27, 2021
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**B. Facility Inspections**

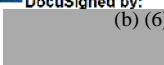
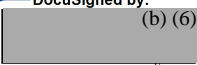
*[Two dates (month/day/year) must be provided to satisfy the PHS Policy requirement that facility inspections be done at 6-month intervals. If the IACUC conducted more than 2 inspections of each site during the reporting period, please attach a list showing the dates.]*

Date 1: See attachment 1	Date 2: See attachment 1
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**III. Minority Views** [*Select A or B*]

- [ ☒ ] A. There were **no minority** views during this reporting cycle.
- [ ☐ ] B. Any minority views submitted by members of the IACUC regarding reports filed under [PHS Policy IV.F.](#) for this reporting cycle are attached.

**IV. Signatures**

IACUC Chairperson	Institutional Official
Name: Dr. Fen Wang	Name: Dr. Jack G. Baldauf
Signature:  DocuSigned by: (b) (6) 322F6C27AE894C2	Signature:  DocuSigned by: (b) (6) F213EE3E2CE94BD
Date: 11/8/2021   13:24:44 CST	Date: 11/12/2021   07:30:05 CST

**V. Change in Institutional Official**

Name: Dr. Jack G. Baldauf	
Title: Interim Vice President for Research	Degree/Credentials: PhD
Name of Institution:	
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Phone: (b) (6)	Fax: (b) (6)
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**VI. Change in IACUC Membership** [*Current roster*]

<b>Institution:</b> Texas A&M University – Houston/Kingsville Campuses			
<b>IACUC Contact Information</b>			
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E-mail: animalcompliance@tamu.edu			
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<b>IACUC Chairperson</b>			
Name: Fen Wang			
Title: Professor		Degree/Credentials: PhD	
PHS Policy Membership Requirements***: Scientist			
<b>IACUC Roster</b> [ <i>Provide below or attach</i> ]			

\* Names of members, other than the chairperson and veterinarian, may be represented by a number or symbol in this report to OLAW. Sufficient information to determine that all appointees are appropriately qualified must be provided and the identity of each member must be readily ascertainable by the institution and available to authorized OLAW or other PHS representatives upon request.

\*\* List specific position titles for all members, including nonaffiliated (e.g., banker, teacher, volunteer fireman; not "community member" or "retired").

\*\*\* [PHS Policy](#) Membership Requirements:

*Veterinarian*      veterinarian with training or experience in laboratory animal science and medicine or in the use of the species at the institution, who has direct or delegated program authority and responsibility for activities involving animals at the institution.

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Name of Member/ Code*	Degree/ Credentials	Position Title/ Occupational Background**	PHS Policy Membership Requirements***
Fen Wang	PhD	Professor	Scientist (Chair)
David Brammer	DVM, DACLAM	Executive Director; Veterinarian	Veterinarian (AV)
(b) (6)			Scientist (Vice-Chair)
			Scientist
			Member (alternate)
			Member
			Non-affiliated/ Non-scientist (Alternate)
			Scientist
			Non-affiliated/ Non-scientist
			Scientist

<i>Scientist</i>	practicing scientist experienced in research involving animals.
<i>Nonscientist</i>	member whose primary concerns are in a nonscientific area (e.g., ethicist, lawyer, member of the clergy).
<i>Nonaffiliated</i>	individual who is not affiliated with the institution in any way other than as a member of the IACUC and is not a member of the immediate family of a person who is affiliated with the institution. This member is expected to represent general community interests in the proper care and use of animals and should not be a laboratory animal user or former user. A consulting veterinarian may not be considered nonaffiliated.

*[Note: all members must be appointed by the Chief Executive Officer (or individual with specific written delegation to appoint members) and must be voting members. Non-voting members and alternate members must be so identified.]*

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**Annual Report to OLAW – Attachment 1**

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**Section I.B. Program Changes**

1. **Addition of the use of Ad Hoc Consultants for the Semiannual Program Review – Section III.D.1):** The IACUC may, at its discretion, utilize qualified ad hoc consultants in place of IACUC members to perform program review. When ad hoc consultants are utilized, the IACUC remains responsible for the evaluation, determination of corrective action, and reporting of all findings.
2. **Change in Use of Ad Hoc Consultants for Semiannual Facility Inspection – Section III.D.2):** Findings for semi-annual facility inspections performed by ad hoc consultants may be reviewed by the Chair of the IACUC in place of an IACUC subcommittee or full committee review. The Chair would establish a reasonable and specific plan and schedule for correcting each deficiency.
3. **Change in Conduction of Full Committee Meetings – Section III.D.6):**
  - a. In absence of both the IACUC Chair and Vice-Chair, the Attending Veterinarian, or member of the Animal Welfare Office staff, may lead the meeting.
  - b. If the primary reviewer is unavailable to present a submission to the full committee, the animal use protocol is presented by another IACUC member, or AWO staff member, familiar with the submission.
4. **Change in Annual Continuing Review for USDA Regulated Species – Section III.D.9):** As an alternative to completing an Annual Review form in the on-line submission system, the PI or designee may participate in a post-approval monitoring audit of the animal use protocol. The IACUC then reviews the resulting report in place of the Annual Review form.
5. **Change in Training – Section III.G. Research Staff:** CITI “Post-Procedural Care of Mice and Rats in Research: Minimizing Pain and Distress” is required for work with mice and rats, rather than all rodents.

**Section II.B. Facility Inspections**

Facility	Date 1	Date 2
(b) (4)	March 11, 2021	August 24, 2021
	March 9, 2021	August 25, 2021