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January 13, 2022

Re: Animal Welfare Assurance
A3269-01 [OLAW Case 4Q]

Dr. Alison Lakin
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Dear Dr. Lakin,

The Office of Laboratory Animal Welfare (OLAW) acknowledges receipt of your December 9, 2021 letter reporting an instance of noncompliance with the PHS Policy on Humane Care and Use of Laboratory Animals at the University of Colorado - Denver. This letter had not been preceded by a preliminary report to OLAW.

According to the information provided, this Office understands that the University of Colorado - Denver Animal Care and Use Committee (ACUC) determined that instances of noncompliance occurred with respect to: failure to adhere to the institutional policies/procedures. The final report states a Principal Investigator (PI) self-reported 4 mice (older than 21d) underwent tail snips with anesthesia but did not receive analgesia. In response, veterinary staff administered analgesia later that day after discovering the error. It is stated the mice were doing well the following day.

In response, all laboratory members reviewed the protocol, and an amendment was submitted and approved to include ear punch for genotyping. The IACUC accepted the corrective actions at a convened meeting regarding the matter.

It is noted that this project is supported by PHS funding. Based on its assessment of this explanation, OLAW understands that the University of Colorado - Denver has implemented appropriate measures to correct and prevent recurrences of these problems and is now compliant with provisions of the PHS Policy.

We appreciate being informed of these matters and find no cause for further action by this Office.

Sincerely,
Jacquelyn T.
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December 9, 2021

Animal Welfare Assurance # D16-00171

Brent Morse, DVM
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Dear Dr. Morse;

The Institutional Animal Care and Use Committee (IACUC) at the University of Colorado Denver | Anschutz Medical Campus received a report of an animal welfare incident; specifically, the PI self-reported that four mice had tail snips with anesthesia performed on animals older than 21 days but analgesia was not provided. This is a deviation from the IACUC Tail Clipping Policy.

Veterinary staff caught the error later in the day and administered analgesia. The animals were doing well the following day. All laboratory members reviewed the IACUC protocol. Additionally, an amendment was submitted and approved to include the ear punch for genotyping.

At a convened meeting of a quorum of the IACUC, a majority of the quorum present determined to accept the actions as taken. The Committee determined further that the Office of Laboratory Animal Welfare (OLAW) be informed of this incident. (NIH Grant # F31AG062160)

Please let me know if you require further information.

Sincerely,

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Alison Lakin RN, LLB, LLM, PhD
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Subject: RE: UC Denver (D16-00171) - initial and final animal reports

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)
Sent: Friday, December 10, 2021 1:47 PM
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Animal Welfare Assurance D16-00171

Dear Dr. Morse,

Please find attached four animal reports for your review.

These are the initial and final animal reports that the IACUC determined needed to be reported to OLAW, based on OLAW guidance.

These reports did not have a preliminary email notification to OLAW.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

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