

Annual Report to OLAW

Institution: University of Texas Health Science Center at Houston
Assurance Number: D16-00257 (A3413-01)
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

- [☐] A. There have been **no changes** in this institution's program for animal care and use as described in the Assurance.
- [☒] 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.](#)).
An updated appendix I is attached listing the average daily inventory, by species, of animals in each facility
- [☐] The individual designated by this institution as the Institutional Official has changed.
- [☒] The membership of this institution's IACUC has changed.

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.

A. Program Evaluations

Date 1: October 23, 2020	Date 2: April 23, 2021
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B. Facility Inspections

Date 1: October 19, 2020	Date 2: April 21, 2021
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III. Minority Views

- [☒] 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: Juan Herrera, PhD	Name: Michael R. Blackburn, PhD
Signature:  (b) (6)	Signature  (b) (6)
Date:	Date: 11/22/2021

V. Change in Institutional Official

Name:	
Title:	Degree/Credentials:
Name of Institution:	
Address:	
Phone:	Fax:
E-mail:	

VI. Change in IACUC Membership

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IACUC Chairperson			
Name: Juan Herrera			
Title: Assistant Professor, Diagnostic & Interventional Imaging		Degree/Credentials: PhD	
PHS Policy Membership Requirements***: Chair, Scientist			
IACUC Roster			
Name of Member/Code*	Degree/Credentials	Position Title/Occupational Background**	PHS Policy Membership Requirements***
Juan Herrera	PhD	Faculty, Department W	Chairperson
Mary Robinson	DVM, DACLAM	Associate Professor, Department J	Attending Veterinarian
(b) (6)			Scientist, Vice-Chair
			Scientist
			Scientist
			Nonaffiliated
			Scientist, Administration
			Veterinarian
			Scientist
			Scientist
			Scientist
			Non-voting, Consultant
			Scientist
			Scientist
			Scientist
			Nonaffiliated
			Veterinarian (alternate)
Non-voting, Consultant			

(b) (6)	Non-voting, Consultant
	Non-voting, Consultant
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	Scientist
	Scientist
	Scientist
	Non-voting, Consultant
	Veterinarian
	Scientist, Administration
	Scientist
	Scientist
	Scientist (alternate)
	Scientist
	Scientist
	Scientist
	Scientist
	Scientist
	Nonscientist; Nonaffiliated
	Veterinarian (alternate)
	Scientist, Administration

*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.
- Scientist* practicing scientist experienced in research involving animals.
- Nonscientist* member whose primary concerns are in a nonscientific area (e.g., ethicist, lawyer, member of the clergy).
- Nonaffiliated* 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.

APPENDIX I: Facility and Species Inventory

III.F. INSTITUTIONAL PROGRAM FOR ANIMAL CARE AND USE

The total gross number of square feet in each animal facility and each satellite facility, the species of animals housed therein and the average daily inventory, by species, of animals in each facility.

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Laboratory, Unit or Building	Gross Square Feet (including service areas)	Species Housed in Unit (use complete common names)	Approx. Average Daily Inventory
(b) (4)	38,124 square feet	Zebrafish Goldfish Frogs Mice Rats Hamsters Rabbits Pigs Monkey: Rhesus Macaques	10,000 4 25 25,125 460 0 20 6 12
	20,847 square feet	Mice Rats	4,189 195
	15,714 square feet	Mice Rats Sheep Pigs	2,876 137 4 4
	3,554 square feet	Mice Rats	427 50
	1,665 square feet	Mice Rats	0 0
(b) (4)	54 square feet	Mice	0 (inactive)
	232 square feet	Mice	16
	354 square feet	Mice	10
	135 square feet	Mice	0 (inactive)
	440 square feet	Fish	100
	123 square feet	Rats	45
	256 square feet	Fish	100
	122 square feet	Mice	16
	200 square feet	Fish	100
	267 square feet	Mice	2
	721 square feet	Fish	100

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