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July 8, 2019

Re: Animal Welfare Assurance
#A4752-01 (OLAW Case 1T)

Ms. Allison P. Moriarty
Vice President, Research Administration
and Compliance
Brigham and Women's Hospital
75 Francis Street
Boston, MA 02115

Dear Ms. Moriarty,

The Office of Laboratory Animal Welfare (OLAW) acknowledges receipt of your June 24, 2019 letter reporting a serious deviation from the provisions of the *Guide for the Care and Use of Laboratory Animals* at Brigham and Women's Hospital. According to the information provided, OLAW understands that for two weeks the temperature and humidity in a hypoxia chamber fluctuated outside of the *Guide* parameters.

The corrective actions consisted of directing the laboratory to control temperature and humidity in the chamber before using it again.

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 on Humane Care and Use of Laboratory Animals. Please remember to state the species involved in any noncompliant incident. Thank you informing OLAW about this matter.

Sincerely,

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Axel V. Wolff, M.S., D.V.M.
Deputy Director
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cc: IACUC Chair
Director of Research Subjects Protection and Laboratory Safety Compliance



BRIGHAM AND WOMEN'S HOSPITAL

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June 24, 2019

FINAL REPORT

Non-Compliance Report: Assurance **A4752-01**
Brigham and Women's Hospital IACUC
Funding: **SR01HL131910-03; HHSN271201600772P**

Dear Dr. Morse,

This letter serves as a final report on a resolved issue of non-compliance that was identified on a semi-annual IACUC inspection and has been reviewed by the Brigham and Women's Hospital Institutional Animal Care and Use Committee. After installation of a new dehumidifier in a hypoxia chamber, temperature and humidity fluctuated outside the ranges allowed by the Guide during a 2-week experiment. The attending veterinarian required the laboratory to ensure the temperature and humidity could be consistently regulated before using the equipment again for further experiments. Since the laboratory has optimized the new dehumidifier, the IACUC considers this issue resolved.

Thank you for your review of these incidents. Please let us know if any further action is required at this time.

Sincerely,

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Allison Moriarty
Vice President, Research Operations
Institutional Official for the BWH IACUC

CC: **Amber Hoggatt, DVM, DACLAM**
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From: OLAW Division of Compliance Oversight (NIH/OD)
Sent: Tuesday, July 2, 2019 7:50 AM
To: Holthaus, Kathryn
Cc: OLAW Division of Compliance Oversight (NIH/OD)
Subject: RE: Noncompliance Reports A4752-01

Thank you for this report, Ms. Holthaus. We will send responses soon.

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

From: Holthaus, Kathryn <kholthaus@bwh.harvard.edu>
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Subject: Noncompliance Reports A4752-01

Dear Dr. Morse,

Please find attached to this email, two reports of noncompliance that were reviewed and discussed at a recent meeting of the Brigham and Woman's Hospital IACUC, AWA# # D16-00941 (A4752-01). Thank you in advance for your review of these incidents and please let us know if any further action is required at this time.

Best regards,
Kathryn

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