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

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 September 30, 2019 letter reporting an instance of noncompliance with the PHS Policy on Humane Care and Use of Laboratory Animals at Brigham and Women's Hospital. According to the information provided, OLAW understands that one cage of mice had not been monitored daily as stated in the protocol, with two days being missed. There were no adverse effects noted with the animals.

The corrective actions consisted of retraining the laboratory staffer responsible and amending the protocol to clarify the monitoring schedule.

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.

Sincerely,

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Axel V. Wolff, M.S., D.V.M. Deputy Director Office of Laboratory Animal Welfare

cc: IACUC Chair

Director of Research Subjects Protection and Laboratory Safety Compliance



# BRIGHAM AND WOMEN'S HOSPITAL

Institutional Animal Care and Use Committee

Brent Morse, D.V.M., DACLAM Acting Director, Division of Compliance Oversight Office of Laboratory Animal Welfare National Institutes of Health Rockledge 1, Suite 360, MSC 7982 6705 Rockledge Drive Bethesda, MD 20892-7982

September 30, 2019

#### FINAL REPORT

Non-Compliance Report: Assurance A4752-01 Brigham and Women's Hospital IACUC

Dear Dr. Morse,

This letter serves as a final report on an issue of non-compliance that has been reviewed by the Brigham and Women's Hospital Institutional Animal Care and Use Committee. During the semi-annual IACUC inspection, a cage of mice was found to not have been monitored daily as required by the protocol. Two days of monitoring had been missed; however, the mice did not appear to be in pain/distress when observed by the IACUC inspection team. The PI retrained the lab member on the required monitoring schedule and the IACUC has requested an amendment to the protocol to clarify some of the language related to monitoring of the animals. Once this amendment is approved, the IACUC will consider this incident to be resolved.

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

Sincerely.

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

CC:

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Attending Veterinarian & Director, Center for Comparative Medicine, Brigham & Women's Hospital

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Subject:	RE: Noncompliance Reports A4752-01

Thank you for providing these reports Ms. Holthaus. We will send official responses soon.

#### Best regards, Brent Morse

Brent C. Morse, DVM, DACLAM Director Division of Compliance Oversight Office of Laboratory Animal Welfare National Institutes of Health

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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. Kind regards,

Kathryn

## Kathryn A. Holthaus, M.S., M.A.

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