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February 5, 2019

Re: Animal Welfare Assurance
A3381-01 [OLAW Case 2H]

Dr. Jennifer K. Lodge
Vice Chancellor for Research
Washington University in St. Louis
660 South Euclid Ave., Box 8108
St. Louis, MO 63130

Dear Dr. Lodge,

The Office of Laboratory Animal Welfare (OLAW) acknowledges receipt of your January 30, 2019 letter reporting an instance of noncompliance with the PHS Policy on Humane Care and Use of Laboratory Animals at Washington University in St. Louis, following up on an initial telephone report on June 8, 2018. According to the information provided, OLAW understands that a mouse sustained a broken leg, the veterinary staff directed the laboratory to euthanize it, but this was not done.

The immediate action taken by the veterinary staff consisted of providing analgesics and euthanizing the mouse. The corrective actions consisted of retraining the Principal Investigator and staff on relief of pain/distress, adhering to humane endpoints, and on following veterinary orders.

Based on the information provided, OLAW is satisfied that appropriate actions have been taken to investigate, correct, and prevent recurrence of the noncompliance. We appreciate having been informed about this matter and find no cause for further action by this Office.

Sincerely,

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

cc: IACUC Chair
Meredith Moore, Ph.D., IACUC Director



Washington University in St. Louis

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January 30, 2019
Assurance #A3381-01

Re: IACUC Protocol #20170103 "Antigen Processing and Presentation"
Case Number #A3381-2H

Dear Dr. Gopee:

Washington University in St. Louis (WU), in accordance with Assurance D16-00245 (A3381-01) and PHS Policy IV.F.3., is providing a final report for an incident previously described in a preliminary phone report.

Animal facility staff identified a mouse with a broken leg on 06/07/2018. Veterinary staff informed the lab that euthanasia was required. The lab failed to provide a humane endpoint as requested. Veterinary staff provided analgesics and euthanized the mouse.

In response, the PI and lab staff involved reviewed the IACUC Policy Relief of Pain or Distress in Experimental Animals and attended retraining on animal welfare regulations and the *Guide*, with the emphasis on how to monitor for and relieve pain and distress in experimental animals and provisions of humane endpoints and vet authority on September 19, 2018.

The IACUC reviewed and discussed the incident during the June 26, 2018 meeting and has approved the proposed corrective action plan. Although the protocol is supported by NIH funds [RO1 DK058177, RO1 AI114551], no significant direct costs were found to be associated with the incident. If associated costs are identified, those funds will be returned.

Please let me know if you have questions or need additional information.

Sincerely,

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Jennifer K. Lodge, Ph.D.
Institutional Official
Vice Chancellor for Research

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Morse, Brent (NIH/OD) [E]

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To: Moore, Meredith; OLAW Division of Compliance Oversight (NIH/OD); Lodge, Jennifer
Cc: (b) (6)
Subject: RE: Final Reports

Thank you for submitting these reports Dr. Moore. We will send official responses soon.

Best regards, Brent Morse

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

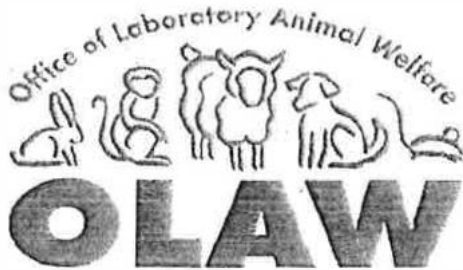
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Dr. Gopee,

Attached, please find the final written reports for case numbers A3381-2E, -2H, and -2G.
Please let me know if you have any questions.

Meredith L. Moore, PhD, CPIA
Director, IACUC Office
Washington University in St. Louis
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Initial Report of Noncompliance

By: Neera Gogee

Date: 6-8-18

Time: 11:04 am

Name of Person reporting: Neera Gogee, M.D.

Telephone #: (b) (6)

Fax #:

Email:

Name of Institution: Washington University St Louis

Assurance number: A3381-01

Did incident involve PHS funded activity? Yes

Funding component: _____

Was funding component contacted (if necessary): _____

What happened?

One mouse got foot stuck in wire bar + broke it by PI
Searched to extricate animal as instructed by PI

Species involved: mouse

Personnel involved:

Dates and times:

Animal deaths:

Projected plan and schedule for correction/prevention (if known): _____

Projected submission to OLAW of final report from Institutional Official:

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Case # _____