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Attn: Mr. Robert Gibbens

In a letter dated April 17, 2015, addressed to the USDA-APHIS-AC, and to the attention of, Dr. Robert Gibbens, the KCOM IACUC self-reported a noncompliance issue. The noncompliance was **not administering the analgesic drug, buprenorphine, which was required by the IACUC approved protocol**. Anesthesia and surgery was performed correctly according to the IACUC approved protocol without major incident. However, analgesic drugs, specifically buprenorphine, was not used post-surgery in the immediate following hours/days in accordance with the IACUC approved protocol.

After realizing the oversight that buprenorphine was not in place, an effort by the researchers was made to get buprenorphine. The researchers did not get buprenorphine in time for administration in the immediate post-surgery period.

The noncompliance came to the attention of the IACUC during the semi-annual inspection of drug logbooks and also was self-reported by the principal investigator of the protocol to several members of the IACUC in a related meeting. The PI has closed the protocol. The IACUC has taken steps to prevent this from reoccurring.

Then on May 14, 2015, during the annual inspection, this matter was followed up by the USDA Inspector, Erika Leisner, D.V.M. An exit interview was given on that day, May 14, 2015, and the inspection report was presented on May 19, 2015, in a meeting with Dr. Leisner with no further action required.

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