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Re: Animal Welfare Assurance #A3456-01 [OLAW Case 8I] UMN IACUC #34897A

Dr. Christopher Cramer
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Institutional Official
University of Minnesota
Johnston Hall - 101 Pleasant St., SE
Minneapolis, MN 55455

Dear Dr. Cramer,

The Office of Laboratory Animal Welfare (OLAW) acknowledges receipt of your January 24, 2019 letter reporting an instance of noncompliance with the PHS Policy on Humane Care and Use of Laboratory Animals at the University of Minnesota. According to the information provided, OLAW understands that three nonhuman primates were subjected to an unapproved anesthetic procedure for imaging.

The corrective action consisted of amending the protocol and retraining the laboratory staff on the content of the protocol.

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 Wolff, M.S., D.V.M.
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cc: IACUC Chair

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January 24, 2019

TO:

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RE:

University of Minnesota Animal Care Program D16-00288 (A-3456-01)

NIH Grant Numbers: #R01 DA037229, R01 DA038615; R01 DA038106;

NSF #BCS 1253576 UMN IACUC #34897A

Dear Dr. Wolff,

In keeping with the terms of our assurance, please be informed that we are making a report of non-compliance of an IACUC approved, NIH funded study involving non-human primates. The basis of this report results from a combined semi-annual/post approval monitoring inspection. The report outlined that three non-human primates had undergone a CT scan each as part of anatomical imaging prior to implantation surgeries; however, this anesthetic procedure was not approved in the protocol. The deviations in protocol occurred on 6/26/18, 8/24/18 and 10/11/18.

We want to inform you that we consider this matter closed. A detailed response was received from the laboratory indicating that CT scans have been discontinued until an amendment is submitted and approved by the IACUC. Further, staff will be retrained as to procedures that are currently approved in the protocol.

Sincerely,

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RE: UMN IACUC #34897A

Thank you for providing this report

(b) (6) We will send an official response soon.

Best regards, Brent Morse

Brent C. Morse, DVM, DACLAM
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Dear Dr. Wolff,

On behalf of Vice President Christopher J. Cramer, attached please find a report of non-compliance. Please let me know if you have any questions.

Thank you,

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