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August 28, 2018

Re: Animal Welfare Assurance
A3085-01 [OLAW Case 1G]

Dr. Theodore F. Taraschi
Vice President for Research
Thomas Jefferson University
1020 Walnut Street, (b) (4)
Philadelphia, PA 19107-5587

Dear Dr. Taraschi,

The Office of Laboratory Animal Welfare (OLAW) acknowledges receipt of your August 22, 2018 letter reporting an instance of noncompliance with the PHS Policy on Humane Care and Use of Laboratory Animals at Thomas Jefferson University, following up on an initial telephone report on May 24, 2018. According to the information provided, OLAW understands that recently expired anesthetic had been used on numerous mice. The laboratory had made aliquots of the drugs but did not include the expiration date.

The corrective actions consisted of removing the drugs and marking them as expired. The laboratory staff was counseled, provided a copy of the institutional drug use policy, and will now label all aliquots with expiration dates. All animal users were reminded not to use expired anesthetics or analgesics, an online training module on controlled drugs must be taken by all investigators using these agents, and the matter was discussed in the Institutional Animal Care and Use Committee newsletter.

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

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Wolff, Axel (NIH/OD) [E]

From: OLAW Division of Compliance Oversight (NIH/OD)
Sent: Monday, August 27, 2018 7:02 AM
To: (b) (6)
Cc: OLAW Division of Compliance Oversight (NIH/OD)
Subject: RE: [A3085-01] TJU Final Report - 180511

Thank you for this report, (b) (6) We will send a response soon.

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

From: (b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, August 23, 2018 8:01 AM
To: OLAW Division of Compliance Oversight (NIH/OD) <olawdco@od.nih.gov>
Cc: Theodore Taraschi <Theodore.Taraschi@jefferson.edu>
Subject: [A3085-01] TJU Final Report - 180511

Dear Dr. Morse and the Office of Laboratory Animal Welfare,

On behalf of Dr. Theodore Taraschi, Institutional Official, I am writing to provide the final report for an incident of noncompliance at Thomas Jefferson University. Please see attached. The preliminary report was made on May 24, 2018. Please don't hesitate to contact us if you have any questions, concerns, or comments.

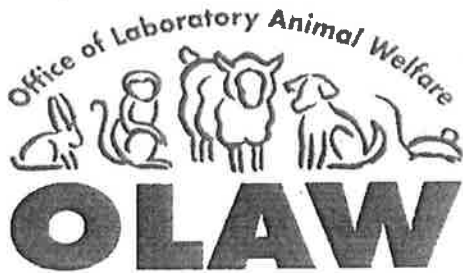
Sincerely,

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180511: 01361, 01927, 01970



Initial Report of Noncompliance

By: Neena Goree

Date: 5-24-18

Time: 4:45pm

Name of Person reporting: [REDACTED] (b) (6)

Telephone #: [REDACTED] (b) (6)

Fax #: [REDACTED]

Email: [REDACTED]

Name of Institution: Thomas Jefferson University

Assurance number: A3085-01

Did incident involve PHS funded activity? Not sure

Funding component: _____

Was funding component contacted (if necessary): _____

What happened?

During lab inspection on 5-11-18, lab used ketamine that expired 4-30-18 on multiple mice as anesthesia for EAE. No adverse events.

Species involved: Mice

Personnel involved: PI/research staff

Dates and times: _____

Animal deaths: _____

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

- = Discarded
- = lab informed that use of expired drug in live animal is forbidden
- = Quality investigation

Projected submission to OLAW of final report from Institutional Official: _____

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