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Dr. Axel Wolff
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Bethesda, Maryland 20892-7982

Re: University of Hawaii Animal Welfare Assurance #A3423-01
Unapproved Activities and Mouse Mortalities; COMM-OLAW-2017-4

Dear Dr. Wolff,

I am writing to provide OLAW with information that was not included with our adverse incident report dated June 26, 2017 that resulted in the fatalities of laboratory mice. If you may recall, the incident that the University of Hawaii (UH) reported was the result of an unapproved behavioral procedure that was conducted between January/February-August 2015. The IACUC only recently became aware of the activities while investigating a reported animal welfare concern complaint.

In OLAW's response to UH dated July 6, 2017, Dr. Jane Na, OLAW VMO, reminded us for future reports to specify whether the associated animal work was supported by PHS, NSF, or VA funding, and to include the relevant grant or contract numbers.

For this animal work, the animal use protocol was supported by PHS funding through NIH grant COBRE-IBR (P20 GM103457) *Project 2: The Impact of Assisted Reproductive Technologies on the Long-term Epigenetic Regulation of Neurodevelopmental Genes Associated with Autism*.

No animals are currently being housed or being used for the study. The animal use protocol "*Role of Neuroepigenetics in Sociobehavioral Defects of Autism*" expired in October 2016; therefore, is not active.

Please contact me at Phone Number or riveravg@hawaii.edu with any questions.

Sincerely,

Victoria G. Rivera, MPA
Interim Director, Office of Research Compliance

c: Jane Na, Veterinary Medical Officer, OLAW
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From: OLAW Division of Compliance Oversight (NIH/OD)
Sent: Tuesday, July 11, 2017 7:35 AM
To: econdary Individu
Subject: RE: University of Hawaii - Follow-up Report on Granting Information (Reference OLAW A3423-1Y)

Thank you. We will add this information to the file.
Axel Wolff

From: econdary Individu [mailto:ary Ind@hawaii.edu]
Sent: Monday, July 10, 2017 3:53 PM
To: OLAW Division of Compliance Oversight (NIH/OD) <olawdco@od.nih.gov>
Cc: Victoria Rivera <riveravg@hawaii.edu>
Subject: University of Hawaii - Follow-up Report on Granting Information (Reference OLAW A3423-1Y)

Good Morning Dr. Wolff:

On behalf of Ms. Victoria Rivera, Interim Director for Research Compliance, Institutional Official for the UH Animal Welfare Program, pleased find the attached follow-up report concerning granting information for an earlier report sent to OLAW. OLAW's case number for this matter is A3423-1Y.

Sincerely,

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Manager, Animal Welfare and Biosafety Programs
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