UNIVERSITY OF LOUISIANA

MONROE

TO:

Dr. Eric Pani, Institutional Official as per PHS assurance #A3646-01

Dr. John Sutherlin, Director, Office of Sponsored Programs and Research

FROM:

Sharon A. Meyer, Ph.D. Sharon A. Meyer Chair, IACUC

SUBJECT: Semiannual Evaluation of Animal Care and Use Program and Inspection of Facilities

DATE: November 8, 2017

This represents the semiannual report of the Institutional Animal Care and Use Committee (IACUC) to the Institutional Official, as required by the PHS Policy on Humane Care and Use of Laboratory Animals, as a condition of this institution's Animal Welfare Assurance with the Office of Laboratory Animal Welfare (OLAW), and the Animal Welfare Act and USDA Animal Welfare Regulations, as applicable.

Review of Animal Care and Use Program

The IACUC conducted its semiannual evaluation of the institution's animal care and use program on October 16, 2017 using the Guide for the Care and Use of Laboratory Animals (Guide). 8th edition, and as applicable, 9 CFR Chapter I, 2.31. No deficiencies, significant or minor, were identified. All aspects of the program are consistent with PHS Policy on Humane Care and Use of Laboratory Animals, 2015 revision; the *Guide*, 8th ed.; and applicable Animal Welfare Act regulations.

Two animal welfare assurance proposals were approved in this cycle by full committee review at the October 2017 meeting. Also, three protocols were approved in the interval between the Oct and Apr meetings by designated member review [DMR]. Protocols for DMR were emailed to the full committee, which were allowed a 1-wk preview period for any IACUC member for comment. There are currently 25 protocols in effect. The decrease from 31 protocols on the last audit resulted from the resignation of Principal Investigator, Amal Kaddoumi, from ULM SoP. An audit of all active protocols will take place prior to the semiannual meeting in April, 2018.

Inspection of Animal Facilities

The IACUC inspected the Bienville animal facilities on Apr 11, 2016 using the 8th ed. of Guide for the Care and Use of Laboratory Animals (Guide), and as applicable, 9 CFR Chapter I, 2.31. Facility inspection was aided by use of the OLAW checklist. No deficiencies were noted.

Departures from the Guide

No protocols with departures from the Guide, 8th ed., are active.

Minority Views:

No minority views were offered in objection or to modify this report.

Signatures:

Names of IACUC members

Dr. Sharon A. Meyer, Chair

Dr. John Carr

Dr. Keith Jackson

Dr. Seetharama Jois

Mr. Steve Tolson

Dr. Brent White

Dr. Benny L. Blaylock . ex officio

Mr. Coty Lee, ex officio

Signatures

75-3.Sti

Krex lighten