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Dear Dr. Daniels:

The AAALAC International Council on Accreditation has reviewed the report of the recent site visit to the University of North Texas Health Science Center, Fort Worth, Texas. The Council commends you and the staff for providing and maintaining an exemplary program of laboratory animal care and use. Especially noteworthy were the strong administrative commitment to the program, evidenced in part by the highly engaged Institutional Official, and the investments in infrastructure, equipment, and personnel; the committed and engaged Institutional Animal Care and Use Committee (IACUC), including student representation, the well written, detailed protocols, thorough protocol review and procedures, and detailed meeting minutes; the strong collegial relationship among the Attending Veterinarian, animal care staff, the IACUC, research staff, and safety personnel; the engaged animal care staff, evidenced in part by the cage card system for animal single housing, the veterinary medical review and treatments, the clean and well maintained facilities, the animal room summaries, and the appearance of healthy animals; and the well written Program Description. The Council is pleased to inform you that the program conforms with AAALAC International standards as set forth by the *Guide for the Care and Use of Laboratory Animals*, NRC 2011. Therefore, **FULL ACCREDITATION** shall continue.

Council acknowledges receipt of the correspondence dated March 24, 2023 detailing actions taken relative to concerns expressed by the site visitors during the exit briefing. Specifically, the items addressed satisfactorily included: ensuring the use of analgesics is properly documented; checking live rodent traps daily; and ensuring that laboratory coats are laundered at appropriate locations.

Council has no further recommendations to offer for improvement of the animal care and use program at this time. We look forward to following your program activities and wish you continued success.

AAALAC International requires an Annual Report detailing changes made during the year in accredited units. In the interim, AAALAC International expects to be apprised in a timely manner of significant programmatic changes or adverse events should they occur. Please note that, at your request, AAALAC International will provide your institution with a separate letter simply verifying that your animal care and use program is accredited.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Linda Fulton".

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