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Dear Dr. Reuter:

The AAALAC International Council on Accreditation has reviewed the report of the recent site visit to the University of Colorado Boulder, Boulder, Colorado. The Council commends you and the staff for providing and maintaining an excellent program of laboratory animal care and use. Especially noteworthy were the strong administrative commitment to the program, evidenced in part by the closing of the antiquated facilities and the commissioning of a new facility, the commitment to centralizing the animal care program through the creation of the Office of Animal Research, and the continued consolidation of housing areas; the well maintained and clean facilities; the excellent veterinary medical and husbandry care, evidenced by the healthy appearance of the animals; the robust and well managed occupational health and safety program; the engaged Institutional Animal Care and Use Committee; the thorough and well documented training of staff; the excellent quality assurance policies and procedures; and the rodent recycling program, managed in cooperation with local raptor rescue and zoo groups. 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** is awarded.

Council acknowledges receipt of the correspondence dated March 28, 2018 detailing actions taken relative to concerns expressed by the site visitors during the exit briefing. Specifically, the items addressed satisfactorily included: documenting the use of controlled substances and labeling containers appropriately; creating a cage labeling system to verify that single housing was approved; installing or repairing door sweeps; maintaining eyewash stations appropriately; replacing materials that cannot be appropriately sanitized; placing bulk chemicals in secondary containers; and evaluating the current placement of an autoclave.

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. Submission of this report is a requirement for continued accreditation. In the interim, AAALAC International expects to be apprised in a timely manner of significant programmatic changes or concerns

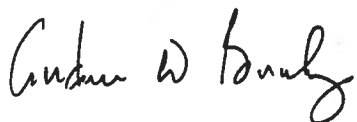
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should they occur. Please note that, at your request, AAALAC International will provide your institution with a separate letter simply verifying that your animal care and use program is accredited. Should you also wish to distribute an electronic copy of this letter to program staff, a Portable Document Format (pdf) version will be sent upon request. Should you have any questions regarding your participation in the AAALAC International accreditation program, please feel free to contact the staff at the Executive Office.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Andrew W. Grady".

Andrew W. Grady, D.V.M., M.S.

President, Council on Accreditation

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