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Dear Mr. Kompella:

The AAALAC International Council on Accreditation has reviewed the report of the recent site visit to Vivo Bio Tech Ltd, Telangana, India. The Council commends you and the staff for providing and maintaining a high quality program of laboratory animal care and use. Especially noteworthy were the strong administrative commitment to and support for the animal care and use program, evidenced in part by the presence of the President and Attending Veterinarian throughout the site visit process, as well as the overall positive interaction of personnel at all levels during the site visit; the actively involved nonaffiliated Institutional Animal Ethics Committee (IAEC) members; the comprehensive training program; the good documentation system including standard operating procedures (SOP), and personal training records; the well designed and clean facility; and the overall healthy animals. 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 and the guidelines of the Committee for the Purpose of Control and Supervision of Experiments on Animals (CPCSEA). Therefore, **FULL ACCREDITATION** shall continue.

Council acknowledges receipt of the correspondence dated November 28, October 28, and October 25, 2016 detailing actions taken relative to concerns expressed by the site visitors during the exit briefing. Specifically, the items addressed satisfactorily included: re-evaluating the justification of single housing of male mice; implementing fully the environmental enrichment program; revising the breeding SOPs to ensure appropriate primary enclosure density; improving and providing training for animal husbandry and cage washing practices; installing light covers on exposed lights; replacing damaged cages; and providing updated sections of the Program Description to reflect actual practices.

As stated in the pre-site visit materials, comments and views expressed by site visitors are independent, preliminary opinions and may not necessarily reflect the final peer reviewed judgment of the AAALAC International Council. Please note that the Council discussed the recommendation made during the site visit that the Institutional Official should not also serve as the Chair of the IAEC. After further deliberation, Council has determined that in the absence of evidence of concerns, the appointment of the Institutional Official as the IAEC Chair is appropriate and in accordance with the recommendations of the CPCSEA.

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.

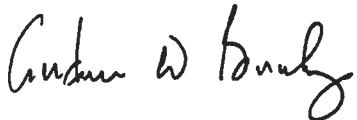
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AAALAC International requires an Annual Report detailing changes made during the year in accredited units. In the interim, AAALAC International expects to be apprised in a timely manner of significant programmatic changes or concerns should they occur. 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.

Sincerely,



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