**FINAL REPORT SUMMARY**

(Please type all information. Use additional pages if necessary.)

**PROTOCOL #:** FDG20150010A  
**DATE:** 14 March 2016

**PROTOCOL TITLE:** "Pilot comparisons of temporary open revascularization using stent grafts vs. standard shunts in a sheep (*Ovis aries*) model."

**PRINCIPAL INVESTIGATOR (PI) / TRAINING COORDINATOR (TC):** Lt Col James Sampson

**DEPARTMENT:** HLVC  
**PHONE #:** 423-5215

**INITIAL APPROVAL DATE:** 19 March 2015  
**LAST TRIENNIAL REVISION DATE:** N/A

**FUNDING SOURCE:**

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### 1. RECORD OF ANIMAL USAGE:

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### 2. PROTOCOL TYPE / CHARACTERISTICS:

- [ ] Training: Live Animal
- [ ] Training: non-Live Animal
- [ ] Research: Survival (chronic)
- [x] Research: non-Survival (acute)
- [ ] Other ( )

- [ ] Medical Readiness
- [ ] Health Promotion
- [ ] Prevention
- [ ] Utilization Mgt.
- [ ] Other (Treatment)
- [ ] Prolonged Restraint
- [ ] Multiple Survival Surgery
- [ ] Behavioral Study
- [ ] Adjuvant Use
- [ ] Biohazard

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### 3. PROTOCOL PAIN CATEGORY (USDA):

- [ ] C
- [x] D
- [ ] E

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### 4. PROTOCOL STATUS:

- [ ] *Request Protocol Closure:
  - [ ] Inactive, protocol never initiated
  - [x] Inactive, protocol initiated but has not/will not be completed
  - [ ] Completed, all approved procedures/animal uses have been completed

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### 5. Previous Amendments:

List all amendments made to the protocol. IF none occurred, state NONE. **Do not use N/A.**

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6. **FUNDING STATUS:** Funding allocated: $15,625.00 Funds remaining: $ 0

7. **PROTOCOL PERSONNEL CHANGES:**

Have there been any personnel/staffing changes (PI/CI/Al/TC/Instructor) since the last IACUC approval of protocol, or annual review? Yes No

If yes, complete the following sections (Additions/Deletions). For additions, indicate whether or not the IACUC has approved this addition.

**ADDITIONS:** (Include Name, Protocol function - PI/CI/Al/TC/Instructor, IACUC approval - Yes/No)

Dr. Anders Davidson (PI), Yes, Dr. Sarah Ashley Ferencz (Al), Yes

**DELETIONS:** (Include Name, Protocol function - PI/CI/Al/TC/Instructor, Effective date of deletion)

8. **PROBLEMS / AdVERSE EVENTS:** Identify any problems or adverse events that have affected study progress. Itemize adverse events that have led to unanticipated animal illness, distress, injury, or death; and indicate whether or not these events were reported to the IACUC.

Early graft failure was identified during model development. This did not appear to cause any unanticipated animal distress.

9. **REDUCTION, REFINEMENT, OR REPLACEMENT OF ANIMAL USE:**

**REPLACEMENT (Alternatives):** Since the last IACUC approval, have alternatives to animal use become available that could be substituted in this protocol without adversely affecting study or training objectives?

More suitable experimental model has been identified.

**REFINEMENT:** Since the last IACUC approval, have any study refinements been implemented to reduce the degree of pain or distress experienced by study animals, or have animals of lower phylogenetic status or sentience been identified as potential study/training models in this protocol?

No.

**REDUCTION:** Since the last IACUC approval, have any methods been identified to reduce the number of live animals used in this protocol?

No.

10. **PUBLICATIONS / PRESENTATIONS:** (List any scientific publications and/or presentations that have resulted from this protocol. Include pending/scheduled publications or presentations).

None.

11. **Were the protocol objectives met, and how will the outcome or training benefit the DoD/USAF?**

The protocol advanced our experience and understanding with models of vascular injury, promoting our ability to more effectively and efficiently study this significant component of wartime injury.

12. **PROTOCOL OUTCOME SUMMARY:** (Please provide, in "ABSTRACT" format, a summary of the protocol objectives, materials and methods, results - include tables/figures, and conclusions/applications.)

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Attachments:
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Grant Number: _________________
From: _________________________________

*If you utilized an external grant, please provide Grant # and where the grant came from. Thank you.