



## Inspection Report

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University of Colorado- Denver  
13001 E. 17th Place, MS F489, P. O. Box 6508  
AURORA, CO 80045

Customer ID: **1834**

Certificate: **84-R-0059**

Site: 002

UNIVERSITY OF COLORADO  
DENVER

Type: ROUTINE INSPECTION

Date: 22-APR-2025

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#### Institutional Animal Care and Use Committee (IACUC).

On November 15, 2024, the veterinary staff discovered 4 ferret kits had been given a larger than intended dose of post-op Meloxicam. The IACUC approved protocol for post-op Meloxicam for this study is 0.1-0.2 mg/kg PO/SQ q24 hours. The Meloxicam dose was drawn from the 1.5 mg/ml concentration bottle instead of the 0.1 mg/ml concentration bottle. This resulted in a range of 1.4 – 1.6 mg/kg dose for the 4 kits based on their weight, which resulted in a 7-8 times overdose of post-op Meloxicam. Veterinarians and staff took immediate action and provided supportive care, and the kits did not experience any side effects from the overdose. The lab has revised their standing operating practices to include verification of doses and concentration of anesthetics and analgesics prior to administration. Additionally, the lab will only store diluted Meloxicam (0.1 mg/ml) in the vivarium for post-op analgesia. Not following the IACUC approved protocol can result in the wellbeing and health of the animals being adversely affected. The IACUC must review and approve, require modifications in, or withhold approval of proposed significant changes regarding the care and use of animals in ongoing activities. CORRECTED PRIOR TO THIS INSPECTION CONCLUDED ON 04/23/2025.

This inspection and exit interview were conducted with attending veterinarian.

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USDA, APHIS, Animal Care

Date:

28-APR-2025

Title: VETERINARY MEDICAL  
OFFICER

Received by Title: Attending Veterinarian

Date:

28-APR-2025



### Species Inspected

Cust No	Cert No	Site	Site Name	Inspection
1834	84-R-0059	002	UNIVERSITY OF COLORADO DENVER	22-APR-2025

Count	Scientific Name	Common Name
000451	<i>Meriones unguiculatus</i>	MONGOLIAN GERBIL (COMMON PET / RESEARCH VARIETY)
000048	<i>Oryctolagus cuniculus</i>	DOMESTIC RABBIT / EUROPEAN RABBIT
000012	<i>Sus scrofa domestica</i>	DOMESTIC PIG / POTBELLY PIG / MICRO PIG
000025	<i>Mustela putorius furo</i>	DOMESTIC FERRET
000022	<i>Cavia porcellus</i>	DOMESTIC GUINEA PIG
000008	<i>Ovis aries aries</i>	SHEEP INCLUDING ALL DOMESTIC BREEDS
000566	<b>Total</b>	