

United States Department of Agriculture Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service

GEDMONDS-WIGGINS INS-0000882282

Inspection Report

University of Texas 301 UNIVERSITY BLVD GALVESTON, TX 77555-0158 Customer ID: 1469

Certificate: 74-R-0073

Site: 001

University of Texas Medical Branch at Galveston

Type: ROUTINE INSPECTION

Date: 17-JUL-2023

2.31(c)(7)

Institutional Animal Care and Use Committee (IACUC).

On April 13, 2022, while on study, thirteen African Green monkeys (7E10214225, 7E10023418, 7E10214225, 933000320144521, 7E10214143, 7E10272101, 7E10272059, 7E10272053, O9855, 7E10272051, O9899, 7E10234013, 7E10272070) were supposed to receive glycopyrrolate by the veterinary staff after the bronchoalveolar lavage (BAL) procedure, as indicated in the IACUC-approved protocol # 2105033. Failure to follow the approved protocol's pre- or post-procedural directions may affect the health and well-being of the animals. This is a significant change regarding the care of animals in an ongoing activity that was not reviewed by the IACUC. The IACUC must ensure that all significant changes regarding the care and use of animals in ongoing activities are reviewed and approved prior to implementation. All staff involved in the matter received retraining as a corrective measure.

Correct by: July 19, 2023

2.38(f)(1) Critical

Miscellaneous.

On November 28, 2022, the facility received eleven guinea pigs, however, after the receiving procedures were concluded, it was discovered that one of the guinea pigs had unintentionally ended up in the autoclave, inside of a bagged transport box. The technician followed some of the receiving procedures (found in the Receiving SOP) – like sweeping their hand through the boxes to check for the animals, but did not verify that all the guinea pigs were accounted for during initial receipt, nor when they were transferred from the transport boxes to the cages. Inadequate handling of animals can negatively impact the health and well-being of the animals. Handling of all animals must be done as expeditiously and carefully as possible in a manner that does not cause trauma, overheating, excessive cooling, behavioral stress, physical harm, or unnecessary discomfort. Corrective measures taken by the facility included, but is not limited to, modification of SOP's, technician workload modifications, and retraining.

Correct by: July 19, 2023

3.80(a)(2)(ii) Critical

Primary enclosures.

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Date:

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Title: VETERINARY MEDICAL

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On December 21, 2022, at approximately 1330 during afternoon observations, an unresponsive cynomolgus macaque (ID # B12365) was found with its head entrapped between the cage roof and the rightmost squeeze guide runner rail of its primary enclosure. The animal was removed from the cage at approximately 1340, and after immediate evaluation, the veterinarian determined the animal had expired. The necropsy report revealed the cause of death as acute asphyxiation. Primary enclosures that do not protect the animals contained within can negatively impact their health and well-being. Primary enclosures for nonhuman primates must be constructed and maintained so that they protect the nonhuman primates from injury. Corrective actions taken by the facility included evaluation of the enclosure for any structural defects and discussions with the manufacturer to consider modifications to prevent recurrence.

Correct by: July 19, 2023

This inspection and exit interview were conducted with facility representatives.

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Species Inspected

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Count 000146 000019 000056 000002 000034 000021	Scientific Name Cavia porcellus Oryctolagus cuniculus Ovis aries aries Sus scrofa domestica Macaca fascicularis Chlorocebus pygerythrus	Common Name DOMESTIC GUINEA PIG DOMESTIC RABBIT / EUROPEAN RABBIT SHEEP INCLUDING ALL DOMESTIC BREEDS DOMESTIC PIG / POTBELLY PIG / MICRO PIG CRAB-EATING MACAQUE / CYNOMOLGUS MONKEY VERVET
000006	Macaca mulatta	RHESUS MACAQUE
000136	Mesocricetus auratus	SYRIAN / GOLDEN HAMSTER

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