



Inspection Report

Cuyahoga Community College
11000 Pleasant Valley Road
Parma, OH 44130

Customer ID: **248**

Certificate: **31-R-0067**

Site: 001

Veterinary Technology Department

Type: ROUTINE INSPECTION

Date: 10-JUN-2025

2.31(c)(3)

Institutional Animal Care and Use Committee (IACUC).

The facility is not preparing complete reports of its semi-annual evaluations or submitting the report to the Institutional Official (IO) every 6 months. The facility held an IACUC meeting on 1 May 2024 during which they completed the required semi-annual review of the facility's program for humane care and use of animals and the animal facility inspection but did not submit the official report to the IO until 18 November 2024. The facility next held an IACUC meeting on 15 October 2024 during which they completed the required semi-annual review of the facility's program for humane care and use of animals and the animal facility inspection but did not submit the official report to the IO until 21 March 2025. The reports that were submitted to the IO and reviewed during this inspection were not signed by a majority of the IACUC.

The purpose of such reports are to inform the IO of the facility's adherence to title 9, chapter I subchapter A- Animal Welfare including any departures identified by the IACUC; facility issues that the IO can help resolve; and if any significant/major problems are identified and not corrected in time, the IO will be required to report in writing to USDA the failure to adhere to the plan and schedule for correction of significant deficiencies.

The IACUC shall prepare evaluation reports at least once every six months upon completion of the required semiannual evaluations which are reviewed and signed by a majority of the IACUC members. The report must identify all deficiencies, designate each as significant or minor and contain a reasonable and specific plan and schedule with dates for correcting each deficiency.

Correct by 30 October 2025 or by the next facility semi-annual evaluation.

2.31(d)(1)(ii)

Institutional Animal Care and Use Committee (IACUC).

The IACUC approved protocol Veterinary Surgical Nursing and Assisting Laboratory (VT 1600) did not provide a written narrative description of the methods and sources used to determine that alternatives were not available to a procedure that may cause more than momentary pain or distress to the animals that is included in the protocol (spay, neuter).

Per this Section, whenever a proposal for animal use contains procedures that may cause more than momentary pain or distress to the animals, the IACUC shall determine that: (1) the principal investigator has considered alternatives to those procedures and (2) that the principal investigator has provided a written narrative description of the methods and sources used to determine that alternatives were not available. These requirements ensure that all procedures contained in the

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protocol minimize discomfort, distress, and pain to the animals.
Correct by 10 August 2025

2.31(d)(1)(iii)

Institutional Animal Care and Use Committee (IACUC).

The 5 IACUC approved protocols actively being used at the facility do not contain a written assurance by the principal investigator that the animal use activities do not unnecessarily duplicate previous experiments.

Per this Section, the IACUC shall determine during the review of proposed animal use activities or significant changes in ongoing activities that the principal investigator has provided written assurance that the activities do not unnecessarily duplicate previous experiments. This requirement ensures that the animals under study do not experience research activities that are unnecessarily duplicative. The IACUC needs to address this deficiency for the protocols and needs to ensure that all approved protocols contain a written assurance regarding unnecessary duplication.
Correct by 10 August 2025.

2.31(e)(2)

Institutional Animal Care and Use Committee (IACUC).

The 5 IACUC approved protocols actively being used at the facility did not include a rationale for the appropriateness of the species of animals to be used. An animal use proposal must include an adequate rationale for the appropriateness of the species of animals to be used so that the IACUC can conduct a thorough review of the components of the activities related to the care and use of animals and determine that the proposed activities are appropriate for the species being used. Correct by ensuring that all protocols contain all components listed in this subsection.
Correct by 10 August 2025.

This inspection and exit interview were conducted with the facility representative.

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Species Inspected

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Count	Scientific Name	Common Name
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