

### United States Department of Agriculture Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service

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### **Inspection Report**

Arkansas Children's Research Institute # 13 Children's Way LITTLE ROCK, AR 72202 Customer ID: 6023204

Certificate: 71-R-0100

Site: 001

ARK CHILDREN'S HOSP.RES.INSTITUTE

Type: FOCUSED INSPECTION

Date: 25-JUN-2025

#### 2.31(c)(7) Repeat

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

A significant change was made to a protocol involving pigs without Institutional Animal Care and Use Committee (IACUC) review and approval. The protocol states that post-operative pigs will receive a ceftiofur antibiotic injection the day after surgery and then every 3-5 days for the duration of the study. Pig #1780 had the surgical procedure performed on 5/7 and received a ceftiofur injection on 5/8 and pig #1798 had surgery on 5/12 and thereafter, both pigs received ceftiofur injections on 5/13, 5/19, 5/29, 6/2, 6/19, and 6/24, resulting in a frequency of 4-10 days, with most of the antibiotic injection intervals exceeding the 5 day frequency listed in the protocol.

Although there were no recorded post-operative complications or medical issues noted for the pigs, the protocol was not followed as written and approved by the IACUC. Failure to follow the approved protocol and making unapproved changes does not allow the IACUC to review these changes as required and ensure the animals involved do not experience negative impacts to their health and well-being. 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.

This inspection and exit interview were conducted with the attending veterinarian.

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# **Species Inspected**

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Count Scientific Name Common Name

000005 Sus scrofa domestica DOMESTIC PIG / POTBELLY PIG / MICRO PIG

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