



Inspection Report

Thomas Walsh
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Customer ID: **39947**
Certificate: **11-R-0027**
Site: 001
CAT'S PAW FARM

Type: ROUTINE INSPECTION
Date: 15-JUN-2016

2.31(d)(1)(2)

INSTITUTIONAL ANIMAL CARE AND USE COMMITTEE (IACUC).

The proposal to use animals does not contain information on procedures that are potentially painful or distressful to the rabbits. The PI was present at the time of inspection to verbally explain to the APHIS inspector the procedure of using complete Freund's adjuvant (CFA), but the protocol did not have this noted, nor did it contain a consideration of alternatives for CFA intradermal injections which is a procedure which may cause pain that is more than momentary. The facility must ensure that any proposal containing potentially painful and/ or distressful procedures that are more than momentary contains a consideration for alternatives and a narrative explaining why any alternatives found were not used.

Correct by August 1 2016

2.31(e)(3)

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The protocol available for review by the APHIS inspector did not contain a complete description of the proposed use of the rabbits. The PI was present at the inspection and verbally informed the inspector of the procedures but the proposal did not contain information on the complete Freund's adjuvant injections, blood draws, antigen boost injections, neither the method of those items - such as locations, quantity, and timing, nor the standard methods by which animal health status is determined prior to blood draw - such as weight and pack cell volume (PCV). A complete description must be available for IACUC review.

Correct by Aug 1, 2016

2.33(b)(2)

REPEAT

ATTENDING VETERINARIAN AND ADEQUATE VETERINARY CARE.

At the time of inspection, there was one white rabbit observed to have a thin body condition, increased respiratory rate, have plantar crusts and scaly skin, and no hind limb nails. The licensee was aware of the foot lesions and attempted some palliative care for 1 week and reported the rabbit has had a normal appetite and thirst, but did not notify the veterinarian about concerns with this animal.

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The condition of the hind feet in this rabbit warranted appropriate treatment as the lesions may be painful. Left untreated, illness can progress and potentially cause significant discomfort to the animal.

Appropriate methods must be used to prevent, control, diagnose, and treat diseases and injuries. This includes consultation of a veterinarian whenever abnormal conditions and behaviors are observed in rabbits.

An exit briefing was conducted with the licensee and the principal investigator at the time of inspection.

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Species Inspected

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| Count | Scientific Name | Common Name |
|---------------|------------------------------|-----------------|
| 000031 | <i>Oryctolagus cuniculus</i> | EUROPEAN RABBIT |
| 000031 | Total | |