

United States Department of Agriculture Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service

EIRVIN INS-0001300985

Inspection Report

NAMSA, LLC Customer ID: 249

6750 Wales Road Certificate: **31-R-0068**Northwood, OH 43619

Site: 001

NAMSA INC

Type: ROUTINE INSPECTION

Date: 29-APR-2025

2.38(f)(1) Critical

Miscellaneous.

The handling of animals at the facility was not being performed in a manner to prevent trauma or physical harm. On 4 June 2024 a rabbit being used in an IACUC approved protocol sustained injuries after jumping out of an employee's hands during manual restraint while unwrapping an applied bandage utilized as described in the protocol. The rabbit landed on the corner of the restraint device on its side and then landed on the ground. The animal was observed twitching and going in and out of consciousness. The animal died shortly after the incident. The necropsy report dated 4 June 2024 revealed the cause of death as a pulmonary contusion with subsequent hemorrhaging due to laceration from fractured ribs.

The facility was unable to ensure that all animals being handled were done in a manner that does not cause trauma or physical harm. The registrant must ensure that the handling of all animals by personnel shall 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 had been implemented prior to inspection including but not limited to additional employee retraining, personnel actions, and developing a new injury investigative method to track patterns or issues with employees regarding job performance. The facility states no incidents have been observed following implementation of corrective actions. There were no additional handling non-compliances observed at the time of inspection.

To remain corrected from 30 April 2025 forward.

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
002862	Cavia porcellus	DOMESTIC GUINEA PIG
000040 Mesocricetus auratus		SYRIAN / GOLDEN HAMSTER (COMMON PET/RESEARCH TYPE)
001175	Oryctolagus cuniculus	DOMÉSTIC RABBIT / EUROPEAN RABBIT
000006	Ovis aries aries	SHEEP INCLUDING ALL DOMESTIC BREEDS
004083	Total	