



Inspection Report

MASSACHUSETTS EYE AND EAR INFIRMARY
243 CHARLES STREET
BOSTON, MA 02114

Customer ID: 119

Certificate: 14-R-0022

Site: 001

MASSACHUSETTS EYE & EAR
INFIRMARY

Type: ROUTINE INSPECTION

Date: 25-AUG-2021

2.32(b)

Personnel qualifications.

Item Personnel Qualifications 2.32 b

USDA inspector reviewed the June 2021 IACUC minutes and read that the PI for protocol 05-11-015 euthanized an anesthetized rabbit on June 8, 2021, during study procedure based on oxygenation falling to as low as 64 spO₂. While an animal is under anesthesia for this study, per the approved protocol, the PI is required to monitor the animal's heart rate, withdrawal reflex, body temp, and pulse oxygen. Approximately one hour into the procedure, oxygenation started to decrease, but the investigator did not notify anyone on the veterinary staff. Oxygenation was maintained below an acceptable level, with the animal noted by investigator as breathing faint, and approximately two hours from the start of procedure, the PI euthanized the animal without consulting the veterinary staff.

The investigator conducting this procedure may not have been aware of their responsibility to communicate animal health concerns during procedures to the veterinary care staff. All personnel responsible for animal care and use must receive training, in sufficient frequency, on the expectations of the research facility for the health and well-being of the animals. The facility has corrected this item by instituting a program to re-educate investigators on working with the veterinary staff.

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

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Species Inspected

Cust No	Cert No	Site	Site Name	Inspection
119	14-R-0022	001	MASSACHUSETTS EYE & EAR INFIRMARY	25-AUG-2021

Count	Scientific Name	Common Name
000013	<i>Oryctolagus cuniculus</i>	DOMESTIC RABBIT / EUROPEAN RABBIT
000054	<i>Meriones unguiculatus</i>	MONGOLIAN GERBIL
000006	<i>Cavia porcellus</i>	DOMESTIC GUINEA PIG
000008	<i>Chinchilla lanigera</i>	CHINCHILLA
000081	Total	