

United States Department of Agriculture Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service

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Inspection Report

Harvard University

1414 Massachusetts Avenue

Room 233

Cambridge, MA 02138

Customer ID: 156

Certificate: 14-R-0128

Site: 001

HARVARD UNIVERSITY

Type: ROUTINE INSPECTION

Date: 10-JUN-2015

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MISCELLANEOUS.

Handling.

1. In June 2014 husbandry staff unexpectedly found 5 Peromyscus mice deceased in their primary enclosures and immediately contacted the IACUC and Attending Veterinarian (AV). Upon being notified and in response to this information, the IACUC and AV immediately looked into the incident and determined that laboratory staff failed to perform the daily observations over the weekend as required per the research facility's standard operating procedures (SOPs) and as a result, the animals died.

Per this Section of the Regulations, handling of animals by all personnel, including laboratory staff, should be done as carefully as possible in a manner that does not cause physical harm, behavioral stress, or unnecessary discomfort.

The IACUC and AV at the institution promptly acted to address this item by conducting an investigation and swiftly implementing appropriate corrective actions to prevent any future incidents. Corrective actions included, but were not limited to, updating and expanding the SOPs related to animal care and husbandry and re-training of the laboratory staff on the updated SOPs. No additional incidents have occurred.

Item has been corrected by the research facility.

NOTE - Exit interview held 6/10/15 on-site with facility representatives. Report delivered by e-mail 6/15/15.

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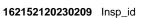
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Species Inspected

Cust No	Cert No	Site	Site Name	Inspection
156	14-R-0128	001	HARVARD UNIVERSITY	10-JUN-15

Count	Scientific Name	Common Name
000104	Peromyscus gossypinus	PEROMYSCUS GOSSYPINUS
000019	Peromyscus californicus	CALIFORNIA MOUSE
000097	Peromyscus leucopus	WHITE-FOOTED MOUSE
000664	Peromyscus maniculatus	DEER MOUSE
000404	Peromyscus polionotus	OLDFIELD MOUSE
000033	Rhabdomys pumilio	FOUR-STRIPED GRASS MOUSE
001321	Total	