



Inspection Report

University Of Massachusetts Medical School
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Customer ID: **130**

Certificate: **14-R-0035**

Site: 001

UNIV. OF MASS. MEDICAL
CENTER

Type: ROUTINE INSPECTION

Date: 04-AUG-2025

2.36(b)(7)

Annual report.

The USDA Annual Report submitted by the research facility for FY 24 was not accurate. The number of Pigs reported under Column E was 70, however these 70 Pigs should have been reported under Column D.

Per this Section, the annual report shall state the common names and the numbers of animals upon which teaching, experiments, research, surgery, or tests were conducted involving accompanying pain or distress to the animals and for which the use of appropriate anesthetic, analgesic, or tranquilizing drugs would have adversely affected the procedures, results, or interpretation of the teaching, research, experiments, surgery, or tests. The number of animals reported in each column should be accurate in order to account for the total number of animals used during the Federal fiscal year reporting period. The research facility corrected this item during the inspection by submitting a corrected FY 24 Annual Report to USDA. To remain corrected from this date 8/5/25 forward for future USDA annual reports.

2.38(f)(1)

Miscellaneous.

Two ferrets were not handled as carefully as possible by animal care technicians during cage change on 2/26/25. The technician was interrupted after transferring the ferrets to a clean enclosure and as a result of the interruption, they did not connect the water line to the bank of enclosures. The next morning, husbandry staff discovered that the water line was not connected; the ferrets were without water for approximately 24 hours. Veterinary staff were notified and the Attending Veterinarian (AV) immediately evaluated both ferrets. The AV determined that the animals were active, showed no signs of dehydration, and no treatment was indicated.

Per this Section, the handling of animals by all personnel should be done as carefully as possible in a manner that does not cause behavioral stress or unnecessary discomfort. The two ferrets were not handled as carefully as possible during cage transfer when animal care technicians did not connect the water line to their enclosure. As a result of improper handling, the two ferrets did not have access to water for approximately 24 hours. The research facility addressed this incident prior to the inspection by modifying the cage change procedure. No additional incidents have occurred. To remain corrected from this date 8/5/25 forward.

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This inspection was conducted with facility representatives 8/4/25 and 8/5/25. The exit briefing was held 8/5/25.

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Species Inspected

Cust No	Cert No	Site	Site Name	Inspection
130	14-R-0035	001	UNIV. OF MASS. MEDICAL CENTER	04-AUG-2025

Count	Scientific Name	Common Name
000008	<i>Canis familiaris</i>	DOG ADULT
000005	<i>Mustela putorius furo</i>	DOMESTIC FERRET
000224	<i>Mesocricetus auratus</i>	SYRIAN / GOLDEN HAMSTER (COMMON PET/RESEARCH TYPE)
000009	<i>Sus scrofa domestica</i>	DOMESTIC PIG / POTBELLY PIG / MICRO PIG
000020	<i>Oryctolagus cuniculus</i>	DOMESTIC RABBIT / EUROPEAN RABBIT
000266	Total	