

# United States Department of Agriculture Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service

**JTOMKOVITCH** INS-0001103664

# **Inspection Report**

Customer ID: 251 Ohio University

Grosvenor Hall, Room 202 Certificate: 31-R-0082 OFF OF COMPLIANCE, RES & TECH BLDG 117

Site: 001 Athens, OH 45701

OHIO UNIVERSITY

Type: FOCUSED INSPECTION

Date: 28-AUG-2024

## 2.31(c)(3)

### Institutional Animal Care and Use Committee (IACUC).

The Institutional Animal Care and Use Committee (IACUC) has not submitted a semiannual report to the Institutional Official since January 10, 2024. The report formally details the IACUC's evaluation of the facility and animal care and use program. Failure to provide the report to the Institutional Official at least once every 6 months does not allow them to be aware of any deficiencies, plans for corrections, and compliance with the Animal Welfare Act and Regulations. The IACUC shall prepare reports of its evaluations conducted and submit them to the Institutional Official of the research facility at least once every 6 months. Correct by submitting the semiannual reports to the Institutional Official at least once every six months with the committee's semiannual evaluation findings. Correct by 30-AUG-2024.

#### 2.31(e)(2)

## Institutional Animal Care and Use Committee (IACUC).

Protocols 22-U-001 and 23-U-001 did not include a rationale for the appropriateness of the species of animals to be used. An animal use proposal must include an adequate rationale for the appropriateness of the species of animals to be used so that the IACUC can conduct a thorough review of the components of the activities related to the care and use of animals and determine that the proposed activities are in accordance with the Animal Welfare Act. Correct by ensuring that all protocols contain all components listed in this subsection. Correct by 30-SEPT-2024.

## 2.38(I)(1)

## Miscellaneous.

The facility does not have an adequate contingency plan. The contingency plan does not include requirements such as addressing animal escapes, providing detailed animal evacuation instructions, or a complete identification of who will be responsible for fulfilling all the required tasks during an emergency or disaster. Failure to have a complete and comprehensive written contingency plan can result in lack of readiness for emergencies or disasters which could impact animal health and well-being.

Research facilities must develop, document, and follow an appropriate plan to provide for the humane handling, treatment, transportation, housing, and care of their animals in the event of an emergency or disaster (one which could reasonably be anticipated and expected to be detrimental to the good health and well-being of the animals in their possession). Such contingency plans must Identify situations the facility might experience that would trigger the need for

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the measures identified in a contingency plan to be put into action including, but not limited to, emergencies such as electrical outages, faulty HVAC systems, fires, and animal escapes, as well as natural disasters the facility is most likely to experience. The plan must outline specific tasks required to be carried out in response to the identified emergencies or disasters including, but not limited to, detailed animal evacuation instructions or shelter-in-place instructions and provisions for providing backup sources of food and water as well as sanitation, ventilation, bedding, veterinary care, etc. The plan has to Identify a chain of command and who (by name or by position title) will be responsible for fulfilling these tasks; and address how response and recovery will be handled in terms of materials, resources, and training needed. Correct by ensuring that an adequate written contingency plan is developed and followed in case of an emergency. Correct by 5-OCT-2024.

## 2.38(I)(2)

#### Miscellaneous.

The facility is not performing adequate annual reviews of the contingency plan. The contingency plan does not include certain requirements such as addressing animal escapes, providing detailed animal evacuation instructions, or a complete identification of who will be responsible for fulfilling all the required tasks during an emergency or disaster. Failure to adequately perform annual reviews of the contingency plan can result in lack of readiness for emergencies or disasters which could impact animal health and well-being.

The contingency plan must be reviewed by the research facility on at least an annual basis to ensure that it adequately addresses the criteria listed in paragraph (I)(1) of this section. Each registrant must maintain documentation of their annual reviews, including documenting any amendments or changes made to their plan since the previous year's review, such as changes made as a result of recently predicted, but historically unforeseen, circumstances (e.g., weather extremes). Correct by ensuring adequate annual reviews of the contingency plan are performed. Correct by 30-AUG-2024.

This is a continuation of the report for the routine inspection conducted 28-AUG-2024 and contains the remaining non-compliances found during the inspection. The exit briefing for the items included on this report was conducted on 30-AUG-2024.

This inspection was conducted with facility representatives on 28-AUG-2024. The exit interview was conducted with facility representatives on 30-AUG-2024.

Additional Inspectors:

Eric Irvin, VETERINARY MEDICAL OFFICER

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# **Species Inspected**

Cust No	Cert No	Site	Site Name	Inspection
251	31-R-0082	001	OHIO UNIVERSITY	28-AUG-2024

CountScientific NameCommon Name000004Oryctolagus cuniculusDOMESTIC RABBIT / EUROPEAN RABBIT000012Sus scrofa domesticaDOMESTIC PIG / POTBELLY PIG / MICRO PIG

000016 **Total**