



Inspection Report

Bertek Inc.
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Customer ID: 25517
Certificate: 71-R-0107
Site: 001
BERTEK, INC.

Type: ROUTINE INSPECTION
Date: 20-NOV-2014

2.31(c)(3)

INSTITUTIONAL ANIMAL CARE AND USE COMMITTEE (IACUC).

Inspectors reviewed the 5 November 2014 semi-annual facility and program review and found that the findings were not submitted to the Institutional Official for review. The review also did not state whether or not any minority views were presented by committee members. In order to ensure that the IACUC has appropriate oversight of animal activities conducted at the facility, the IACUC members must conduct facility and program reviews at least once every six months. The findings of these reviews must be reported to the Institutional Official for review. The reports also must specify if any minority views were presented. The facility must ensure that all semi-annual facility and program reviews are conducted and presented to the Institutional Official in a timely manner, and also must include any minority views presented.

To be corrected from this point forward.

2.31(d)(1)(3)

INSTITUTIONAL ANIMAL CARE AND USE COMMITTEE (IACUC).

Inspectors reviewed Protocol # A186C-US-14-131 and found that there was no written assurance from the principal investigator that the animal activities do not unnecessarily duplicate previous experiments. Principal investigators must provide assurance that animal activities are not duplicative in order to ensure that animals are not used in research activities without appropriate justification, and to ensure that a reduction of the number of animals used is considered. The IACUC must ensure that all approved proposals to use animals contain written assurance from the principal investigator that animal activities do not unnecessarily duplicate previous experiments.

To be corrected by 24 December 2014.

2.33(b)(3)

ATTENDING VETERINARIAN AND ADEQUATE VETERINARY CARE.

Inspectors reviewed the Rabbit Room Daily Cleaning Log for 1 May - 31 May 2014. The log sheet does not specifically address daily observation of the animals; however, facility policy dictates that animals are to be observed daily. Inspectors noted that there was no documentation present that addressed any veterinary care

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issues for this room, nor was there any documentation that the attending veterinarian had been contacted regarding an injured or ill rabbit. During an IACUC inspection on the 7 May 2014, a rabbit in the aforementioned room was found to have a skin infection on the left side of the thorax. The attending veterinarian noted that the lesions appeared deep and penetrated through the dermis. He also noted that the skin appeared thickened and very hard, which could indicate chronicity. The animal was subsequently euthanized due to a poor prognosis. All animals must be observed daily and any veterinary care issues must be timely and accurately relayed to the attending veterinarian. The facility must insure that a program is in place to insure that all injured animals receive prompt and adequate veterinary care.

To be corrected from this point forward.

This inspection focused on records review. The inspection and exit briefing were conducted with a facility representative.

Additional Inspectors

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Species Inspected

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No Animals were Inspected.

Count	Scientific Name	Common Name
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