

United States Department of Agriculture Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service

DBARKSDALE **INS-0000813592**

Inspection Report

UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS AT CHICAGO BIO RSCS LAB, 1840 W. TAYLOR ST, M/C 533 CHICAGO, IL 60612 Customer ID: 599

Certificate: 33-R-0018

Site: 001

UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS AT

CHICAGO

Type: FOCUSED INSPECTION

Date: 31-AUG-2022

2.32(a) Critical

Personnel qualifications.

**On May 2, 2022, four Damaraland mole rats were found dead in their enclosures. According to facility personnel, an electric space heater that was being used to provide supplemental heat for the animals was somehow placed under the metal rack holding the enclosures resulting in the animals overheating. The facility was unable to determine how the space heater was placed under the metal rack holding the animal enclosures. Upon further review of the incident, the facility has instituted safety measures to prevent future incidents that would cause overheating of the animals. The research facility must ensure that all personnel involved in animal care, treatment and use are qualified to perform their duties to ensure the humane treatment and health of the animals.

**Corrected prior to inspection

This inspection and exit interview were conducted with facility representatives.

Prepared By: DAWN BARKSDALE

USDA, APHIS, Animal Care

07-SEP-2022

Date:

Date:

Title: VETERINARY MEDICAL

OFFICER

Received by Title: Attending Veterinarian

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Species Inspected

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CountScientific NameCommon Name002650Heterocephalus glaberNAKED MOLE-RAT000065Fukomys damarensisDAMARA / DAMARALAND MOLE-RAT / DAMARALAND
BLESMOL

002715 **Total**