



## Inspection Report

Cornell University  
Office Of Research Integrity And Assurance  
395 Pine Tree Road Suite 320  
Ithaca, NY 14850

Customer ID: **528**  
Certificate: **21-R-0119**  
Site: 001  
Cornell University

Type: ROUTINE INSPECTION  
Date: 20-MAY-2024

### 2.31(c)(7)

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

The facility identified multiple chinchillas assigned to IACUC approved protocol 2018-0089 determined to have undergone procedures and treatments in a manner deviating from approved protocols directing the inoculation, sampling, and treatment of chinchillas receiving bacterial inoculation for inducing otitis.

- On 7/28/23, 2 chinchillas (identified M and U) received repeated inoculations of bacteria not listed on the protocol.
- During the repeated inoculation, chinchillas M and U were inoculated with a higher dose of bacteria than was approved on protocols.

Dosing and frequency of inoculations constitute significant changes to protocols that must be reviewed and approved by the IACUC.

Correct on 5/23/24

### 2.33(b)(2)

#### Attending veterinarian and adequate veterinary care.

The facility identified multiple chinchillas that were administered an expired medication. These animals were assigned to IACUC approved protocol 2018-0089 and had received this medication in November 2023 after a surgical procedure. However, it is noted that the lab supply of this medication had an expiration date of 10/23. The use of expired medication is not considered the standard of care and could lose potency and be less effective. This could cause animals unnecessary harm or distress. The facility must correct this issue.

Correct on 5/23/24

### 2.38(f)(1)

**Critical**

#### Miscellaneous.

On 8/31/23, one spiny mouse escaped during a cage change procedure. Efforts were made to retrieve the animal, however it was found deceased later the same day. Handling of animals must be conducted in a manner which protects the animal from physical harm or unnecessary discomfort. Corrective actions by the facility included retraining of husbandry staff on cage change operations.

Prepared By: JASON SIFKAROVSKI  
USDA, APHIS, Animal Care  
Title: VETERINARY MEDICAL OFFICER

Date:  
10-JUN-2024

Received by Title: Facility Representative

Date:  
10-JUN-2024



## Inspection Report

---

Correct on 5/23/24

This inspection and exit interview were conducted with facility representatives.

Additional Inspectors:

KERI LUPO, VETERINARY MEDICAL OFFICER

---

**Prepared By:** JASON SIFKAROVSKI  
USDA, APHIS, Animal Care

**Title:** VETERINARY MEDICAL  
OFFICER

**Date:**  
10-JUN-2024

**Received by Title:** Facility Representative

**Date:**  
10-JUN-2024



### Species Inspected

Cust No	Cert No	Site	Site Name	Inspection
528	21-R-0119	001	Cornell University	20-MAY-2024

Count	Scientific Name	Common Name
000041	<i>Canis familiaris</i>	DOG ADULT
000012	<i>Felis catus</i>	CAT ADULT
000201	<i>Bos taurus</i>	CATTLE / COW / OX / WATUSI
000102	<i>Equus caballus</i>	DOMESTIC HORSE
000009	<i>Cricetomys gambianus</i>	GAMBIAN POUCHER RAT / NORTHERN GIANT POUCHER RAT
000732	<i>Microtus ochrogaster</i>	PRAIRIE VOLE
000003	<i>Ovis aries aries</i>	SHEEP INCLUDING ALL DOMESTIC BREEDS
000002	<i>Sus scrofa domestica</i>	DOMESTIC PIG / POTBELLY PIG / MICRO PIG
000024	<i>Acomys cilicicus</i>	TURKISH SPINY MOUSE / AFRICAN SPINY MOUSE
000015	<i>Tupaia glis</i>	COMMON TREE SHREW
000015	<i>Mesocricetus auratus</i>	SYRIAN / GOLDEN HAMSTER
000015	<i>Chinchilla lanigera</i>	CHINCHILLA
001171	<b>Total</b>	