



Inspection Report

Boston University
85 East Newton St., Room 426
Boston, MA 02118

Customer ID: 112

Certificate: 14-R-0017

Site: 003

BOSTON UNIVERSITY MEDICAL
SCHOOL

Type: ROUTINE INSPECTION

Date: 13-DEC-2023

3.80(a)(2)(ii) Critical

Primary enclosures.

On April 22, 2023, a nonhuman primate was found deceased in its primary enclosure after becoming entangled in an enrichment device. According to facility representatives, the chain used to attach a device to the enclosure was 31.5cm long and constructed of >4 chain links, which was long enough to be pulled into the enclosure to form a loop in which the animal became entrapped. On review of the facility's plan for environmental enhancement that was in place at the time of the incident, the length of chain used exceeded the length approved for attaching items that are accessible to animals in the enclosure.

Attachment of a device accessible to the animal with a chain of this length created an enclosure set up that did not protect the animal from injury. Primary enclosures, including any fixtures attached to those enclosures, must be constructed and maintained to protect the nonhuman primates from injury.

This incident was voluntarily reported to USDA and corrective measures, including review of all enrichment devices in use at the facility, had been implemented prior to inspection. To remain corrected after December 18, 2023 by ensuring enclosures used to house nonhuman primates are constructed and maintained in a manner that protects the animals from injury.

This inspection and exit interview were conducted with facility representatives.

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Date:
18-DEC-2023

Title: VETERINARY MEDICAL
OFFICER

Received by Title: Facility Representative

Date:
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Species Inspected

Cust No	Cert No	Site	Site Name	Inspection
112	14-R-0017	003	BOSTON UNIVERSITY MEDICAL SCHOOL	13-DEC-2023

Count	Scientific Name	Common Name
000129	<i>Macaca mulatta</i>	RHESUS MACAQUE
000032	<i>Chlorocebus aethiops</i>	AFRICAN GREEN MONKEY / GRIVET
000079	<i>Heterocephalus glaber</i>	NAKED MOLE-RAT
000024	<i>Macaca fascicularis</i>	CRAB-EATING MACAQUE / CYNOMOLGUS MONKEY
000133	<i>Mesocricetus auratus</i>	SYRIAN / GOLDEN HAMSTER
000397	Total	