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

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## **Inspection Report**

University Of Houston 4302 University Drive Ezeikel W Cullen Room 316

Houston, TX 77204

Customer ID: 1458

Certificate: 74-R-0020

Site: 001

University of Houston

Type: ROUTINE INSPECTION

Date: 10-FEB-2014

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#### MISCELLANEOUS.

On September 20 2012, a 2 week old, male rhesus monkey, animal #529 was found dead with a laundry bag cord wrapped around its neck. Three empty laundry bags had been placed on top of a hamper and were within reach of the monkey. The animal was able to access a laundry bag cord by reaching through its enclosure.

Handling of animals includes appropriate care that will protect the animals from harm and ensure their safety. Animal care and handling must be done as carefully as possible to prevent behavioral stress, physical harm, trauma or unnecessary discomfort. The facility failed to provide a safe environment for this monkey, resulting in physical harm, trauma and ultimately death.

Corrective measures have been implemented by the facility including removal of all laundry bags from animal rooms, re-training of personnel and re-location to a new animal facility.

Correct by: Future handling must include adequate provisions for animal safety and protection.

Exit interview conducted with the executive director of animal care operations and the director of research compliance.

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# **Species Inspected**

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1458	74-R-0020	001	University of Houston	10-FEB-14
Count	Scientific Name		Common Name	
000034	Macaca mulatta		RHESUS MACAQUE *MALE	