



## Inspection Report

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Customer ID: **267**  
Certificate: **15-R-0003**  
Site: 001  
BROWN UNIVERSITY

Type: ROUTINE INSPECTION  
Date: 11-DEC-2024

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### 2.31(c)(7)

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

Pertaining to IACUC approved Protocol 22-03-0003: One NHP did not receive the minimum daily amount of water that is required per the IACUC approved protocol in August 2024. The IACUC approved protocol states that the IACUC Policy on Food and Fluid Regulation will be followed; per this policy the minimum amount of water offered per day must not be less than 20 ml/kg. The NHP had gained weight however the investigator staff did not recalculate the minimum volume of water to be offered per day for the animal. As a result, the NHP received less than 20 ml/kg of water on 3 different days in August 2024 (8/6; 8/13; & 8/15). Veterinary staff discovered that the NHP had received the decreased amount of water during the routine review of animal watering records on 8/16/24. The NHP was then evaluated by a veterinarian and no adverse effects were noted in the animal from the decreased water intake.

Per this Section, with respect to activities involving animals, the IACUC shall review and approve, require modifications to secure approval, or withhold approval of proposed significant changes regarding the care and use of animals in ongoing activities prior to implementation by the investigator. Principal investigators are to follow the IACUC approved proposals, and any proposed changes shall be reviewed and approved by the IACUC prior to implementation. The water intake of less than 20 ml/kg water per day in this NHP is a significant change in an ongoing activity that was implemented without prior review and approval by the IACUC. The research facility acted promptly to address this incident and implemented corrective measures prior to this inspection, which included additional refresher training of the investigator staff on water regulation policy and the monitoring of NHPs during water regulation. There have been no additional incidents. To remain corrected from this day 12/12/24 forward.

### 2.33(b)(3)

#### Attending veterinarian and adequate veterinary care.

Pertaining to IACUC approved Protocol 23-01-0001: Investigator staff failed to contact the Attending Veterinarian to report a problem of animal health when they identified an abnormality in a bird's foot. On 6/22/24 investigator staff first identified a woodpecker with an abnormal appearance to the toe during daily observations but did not contact the veterinary staff to report the foot condition until 6/25/24 when the appearance of the toe looked worse. Veterinary staff examined and assessed the bird, and it received treatment for the condition.

Per this Section, each research facility shall maintain a program of adequate veterinary care that includes the daily

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observation of all animals to assess their health and well-being. The observation of animals may be accomplished by someone other than the Attending Veterinarian. However, a mechanism of direct and frequent communication must be in place to convey timely and accurate information concerning any problems of animal health observed in the animals to the Attending Veterinarian to ensure that the animals are provided adequate veterinary care. Investigator staff failed to contact veterinary staff when they first identified the abnormality of the bird's foot. The research facility acted promptly to address this incident and implemented corrective measures prior to this inspection, which included additional training of the investigator staff on contacting veterinary staff to report any problem of animal health and recordkeeping. There have been no additional incidents. To remain corrected from this day 12/12/24 forward.

This inspection was conducted with facility representatives on 12/11/24 and 12/12/24. The exit briefing was held with facility representatives on 12/12/24.

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**Species Inspected**

Cust No	Cert No	Site	Site Name	Inspection
267	15-R-0003	001	BROWN UNIVERSITY	11-DEC-2024

Count	Scientific Name	Common Name
000017	<i>Macaca mulatta</i>	RHESUS MACAQUE
000006	<i>Sus scrofa domestica</i>	DOMESTIC PIG / POTBELLY PIG / MICRO PIG
000019	<i>Eptesicus fuscus</i>	BIG BROWN BAT
000016	<i>Oryctolagus cuniculus</i>	DOMESTIC RABBIT / EUROPEAN RABBIT
000000	<i>Dryobates pubescens</i>	DOWNY WOODPECKER
000058	<b>Total</b>	