



Inspection Report

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2.31(d)(1)(ii)

Institutional Animal Care and Use Committee (IACUC).

IACUC approved Protocol #25-165 did not provide a written narrative description of the methods and sources used to determine that alternatives were not available to procedures that are included in the protocol that may cause more than momentary pain or distress to the animals (vascular cutdown and acetabular repair procedure with femoral head excision).

Per this Section, whenever a proposal for animal use contains procedures that may cause more than momentary pain or distress to the animals, the IACUC shall determine that: (1) the principal investigator has considered alternatives to those procedures and (2) that the principal investigator has provided a written narrative description of the methods and sources used to determine that alternatives were not available. These requirements ensure that all procedures contained in the protocol minimize discomfort, distress, and pain to the animals. The IACUC needs to address this item that was identified for this protocol. Correct by 6/23/25.

2.31(e)(3)

Institutional Animal Care and Use Committee (IACUC).

IACUC approved protocol #25-165 did not provide a complete description of the proposed use of the animals as specified below.

1. There was an incomplete description in the IACUC approved protocol for the acetabular repair procedure with femoral head excision.

2. There were inconsistencies identified in the IACUC approved protocol for the proposed use of the animals. The section of the IACUC approved protocol addressing the consideration of alternatives to procedures contained in the protocol that may cause more than momentary pain or distress to the animals included a search for alternatives to "thoroscopic surgery"; however, the IACUC approved protocol does not contain any thoroscopic surgical procedures and it does not contain any descriptions of any thoroscopic surgical procedures.

Per this Section, proposals to conduct an activity involving animals must contain a complete description of the proposed

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use of the animals so the IACUC can determine during its review that all components of the animal use proposal are in accordance with the requirements as outlined in this subchapter of the AWA. The IACUC needs to address the lack of a complete description of the proposed use of the animals and address the inconsistencies of the proposed use of the animals that were identified for this protocol. Correct by 6/23/25.

This inspection and exit briefing were conducted with facility representative.

END OF REPORT

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