



Inspection Report

Equitech-Bio Inc.
3650 Harris Rd
Hamilton, OH 45013

Customer ID: 1752
Certificate: 74-R-0161
Site: 004
EQUITECH-BIO INC.

Type: ROUTINE INSPECTION
Date: 12-FEB-2015

2.31(d)(1) REPEAT

INSTITUTIONAL ANIMAL CARE AND USE COMMITTEE (IACUC).

The Institutional Animal Care and Use Committee (IACUC) has not reviewed proposed animal use activities in order to determine if those activities are in accordance with the Animal Welfare Act and Regulations. Currently, all animal use activities have no protocols assign to them, only SOPs; however, there is no SOP or any written instructions for injecting adjuvants in goats. The current SOP has an accurate summary of the animal use activity, but is still missing required information listed in 2.31(d) and (e). Some of these adjuvants can cause severe inflammatory reactions and acute pain such as the Freund s complete adjuvant used by the facility. Because of the potential for pain and/or distress, a search for alternatives for animal use is also required. The protocol for blood collection from goats are missing the approximate number of animals to be used, the rationale for involving animals, the rationale for species, the rationale for the number of animals to be used, and the provision for the use of analgesic, anesthetic, and tranquilizing drugs where indicated to minimize discomfort and pain to the animals. It is necessary for an IACUC to review and approve the proposed activities for the care and use of animals and to provide the proper oversight of the use of animals by the research facility. Lack of supervision by an IACUC often leads to non-compliances with the Animal Welfare Act and this decreases animal welfare. Correct by ensuring all animal use activities have been approved by the IACUC before any animal procedures are begun, and ensure all required information listed in 2.31 (d) and (e) is made available to the IACUC.

The inspection and exit interview were conducted with the Superintendent.

Additional Inspectors

Mchenry Kerry, Veterinary Medical Officer

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Species Inspected

Cust No	Cert No	Site	Site Name	Inspection
1752	74-R-0161	004	EQUITECH-BIO INC.	12-FEB-15

Count	Scientific Name	Common Name
000180	<i>Capra hircus</i>	DOMESTIC GOAT
000180	Total	