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22R0069 Consumer Product Testing Co.

Facility Registration Number: 22-R-0069

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The animals listed in Column E of APHIS Form 7023 included 48 guinea pigs, 18 hamsters and 441 rabbits. The rabbits and hamsters were used on irritation studies. These studies are used to determine the dermal, ocular or oral mucosa irritation potential of the articles tested. The guinea pigs were used on sensitization studies. These studies were used to determine the sensitization potential of the products tested.

In all cases the "procedures producing pain or distress" were either the injection of an adjuvant or the application of an irritating substance to the animal(s) in question. The sponsors of these studies had indicated that the use of anesthetics or analgesics may have interfered with the interpretation of the test results.

As a contract facility, we are not always aware of the nature of the articles being tested and rely upon our sponsors to responsibly determine the appropriateness of use of anesthetics and/or analgesics.

At the USDA's suggestion, we have included in Column E animals exhibiting maximum irritation scores in the above mentioned study types but not necessarily having exhibited behavioral responses normally associated with pain or distress. In cases where an animal had exhibited a behavioral response normally associated with pain or distress, the response was no more than momentary but the procedure was recorded as "painful" nonetheless.

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- 1). Professionally acceptable standards governing the care, treatment, and use of animals, including appropriate use of anesthetic, analgesic, and tranquilizing drugs, prior to, during, and following actual research, teaching, testing, surgery, or experimentation were followed by this research facility.
- 2). Each principal investigator has considered alternatives to painful procedures.
- 3). This facility is adhering to the standards and regulations under the Act, and it has required that exceptions to the standards and regulations be specified and explained by the principal investigator and approved by the Institutional Animal Care and Use Committee (IACUC). A summary of all such exceptions is attached to this annual report. In addition to identifying the IACUC-approved exceptions, this summary includes a brief explanation of the exceptions, as well as the species and number of animals affected.
- 4). The attending veterinarian for this research facility has appropriate authority to ensure the provision of adequate veterinary care and to oversee the adequacy of other aspects of animal care and use.

DATE SIGNED

PART 1 - HEADQUARTERS