This report is required by law (7 USC 2143) Failure to report according to the regulations can result in an order to cease and desist and to be subject to penalties as provided for in Section 2150.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE ANIMAL AND PLANT HEALTH INSPECTION SERVICE	1. REGISTRATION NO. 22-R0050 #520	FORM APPROVED OMB NO 0579-0036

ANNUAL REPORT OF RESEARCH FACILITY
(TYPE OR PRINT)

2. HEADQUARTERS RESEARCH FACILITY *(Name and Address, as registered with USDA. include Zip Code)*

SGS U.S. Testing Co., Inc.
291 Fairfield Avenue
Fairfield, NJ 07004

3. REPORTING FACILITY (List all locations where animals were housed or used in actual research, testing, teaching, or experimentation, or held for these purposes. Attach additional sheets if necessary.)

FACILITY LOCATIONS *(Sites)*

SGS U.S. Testing Co., Inc.

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75 Passaic Avenue, Fairfield, NJ 07004

REPORT OF ANIMALS USED BY OR UNDER CONTROL OF RESEARCH FACILITY *(Attach additional sheets if necessary or use APHIS FORM 7023A)*

A. Animals Covered By The Animal Welfare Regulations	B. Number of animals being bred, conditioned, or held for use in teaching, testing, experiments, research, or surgery but not yet used for such purposes.	C. Number of animals upon which teaching, research, experiments, or tests were conducted involving no pain, distress, or use of pain-relieving drugs.	D. Number of animals upon which experiments, teaching, research, surgery, or tests were conducted involving accompanying pain or distress to the animals and for which appropriate anesthetic, analgesic, or tranquilizing drugs were used.	E. Number of animals upon which teaching, experiments, research, surgery or tests were conducted involving accompanying pain or distress to the animals and for which the use of appropriate anesthetic, analgesic, or tranquilizing drugs would have adversely affected the procedures, results, or interpretation of the teaching, research, experiments, surgery, or tests. *(An explanation of the procedures producing pain or distress in these animals and the reasons such drugs were not used must be attached to this report).*	F. TOTAL NO OF ANIMALS (Cols. C + D + E)
4. Dogs	N/A				
5. Cats	N/A				
6. Guinea Pigs	0	692	0	116	808
7. Hamsters	N/A				
8. Rabbits	0	759	2	105	866
9. Non-human Primates	N/A				
10. Sheep	N/A				
11. Pigs	N/A				
12. Other Farm Animals	N/A				
13. Other Animals	N/A				

ASSURANCE STATEMENTS

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

CERTIFICATION BY HEADQUARTES RESEARCH FACILITY OFFICIAL.
(Chief Executive Officer or Legally Responsible Institutional Official)
I certify that the above is true, correct, and complete (7 U S C Section 2143)

SIGNATURE OF C.E.O. OR INSTITUTIONAL OFFICIAL (b)(6), (b)(7)(C)	NAME & TITLE OF C.E.O. OR INSTITUTIONAL OFFICIAL *(Type or Print)*	DATE SIGNED 11/29/99

APHIS FORM 7023
(AUG 91)   (Replaces VS FORM 18-23 (OCT 88), which is obsolete)   (b)(6), (b)(7)(C)
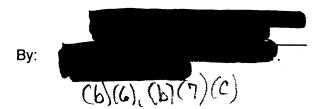
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COMMENTS, APHIS FORM 7023

A. The 116 guinea pigs that experienced pain without benefit of analgesics or anesthetic during tests were used in the Kligman Skin Sensitization tests required for the compliance with the Federal Hazardous Substance Act Regulation, the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide and Rodenticide Act regulation and the Toxic Substance Control Act regulation. The concomitant use of analgesic, anesthetic or tranquilizing drugs in these procedures, according to these regulations, would have adversely affected the interpretation of the results.

B. The 105 rabbits that experienced pain without benefit of general analgesics or anesthetics during tests were used in eye and primary skin irritation studies required for the compliance with the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide and Rodenticide Act regulation and the Toxic Substance Control Act regulation. The concomitant use of analgesic, anesthetic or tranquilizing drugs in these procedures, according to these regulations, would have adversely affected the interpretation of the results.

It is the policy of the Toxicology Laboratory to use the minimum number of animals necessary to ascertain hazards associated with chemical insult for any sample tested. The welfare of laboratory animals used in toxicologic studies is an integral part of our laboratory policy. Test substances are flushed from the eye or removed from the skin site as soon as possible without compromising the test protocol. Animals receive local anesthetics, topical antibiotics and the best care available post-testing if chemical insult is minor. The Study Director examines all animals involved in studies where a test article is rated a severe eye or skin irritant. Euthanasia by lethal injection of pentobarbital is performed if an animal is suffering.

C. There were no IACUC-approved exception(s) to the regulations or standards.

By: ███████████████████   11/29/98

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