



Inspection Report

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2.31 (e) (1)

INSTITUTIONAL ANIMAL CARE AND USE COMMITTEE (IACUC).

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In protocol # 07-12825: Among the animals to be trapped, the proposal was to collect 300 chipmunks in humane traps. Small snippets from the ear are to be collected for DNA. The researcher proposed to collect less than 1% of the trapped animals to be euthanized for Museum collections. They collected 494 chipmunks during the 2007 season (May through October). This would potentially increase the euthanized chipmunks from 1 to 2 animals. This change in the collection process would require a protocol amendment approved by the IACUC to trap and possibly euthanize the additional animals. According to the facility, no voucher animals were sacrificed during this season (May 2007 to October 12, 2007). The approved number of animals was reached in August of 07. No timely system to track the number of animals captured was in place. All the data was submitted to the Investigator during the season of collection. He was not on site and didn't add up the animals until the end of the season. He then, after the fact, requested permission to collect the additional animals. The IACUC did respond to the additional trapping of the animals. According to the letter to the investigator, the committee acknowledged the additional trapping of the animals but did not actually approve the trapping or collection of the additional animals. The letter stated that a system is in place to prevent this problem in the future.

Correction: The facility will correct this issue with all future animal use.

2.31 (e) (2)

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2.32 (a)

PERSONNEL QUALIFICATIONS.

Sec. 2.32 Personnel qualifications. (a) It shall be the responsibility of the research facility to ensure that all scientists, research technicians, animal technicians, and other personnel involved in animal care, treatment, and use are qualified to perform their duties. This responsibility shall be fulfilled in part through the provision of training and instruction to those personnel.

The investigator did not appear to realize the importance of monitoring the number of animals used. He did not monitor the numbers until the end of the season. He had not set up a system for his employees to monitor the captured numbers to alert him when the maximum number was near. This is important to ensure that the facility has current knowledge of the research and that procedures are being followed so minimum number of animals are being used.

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2.32 (b)

PERSONNEL QUALIFICATIONS.

Sec. 2.32 Personnel qualifications. (b) Training and instruction shall be made available, and the qualifications of personnel reviewed, with sufficient frequency to fulfill the research facility's responsibilities under this section and Sec. 2.31.

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