



Inspection Report

WESTERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY

Customer ID: **574**

Certificate: **33-R-0142**

Site: 001

ONE UNIVERSITY CIRCLE

WAGGONER HALL

Type: ROUTINE INSPECTION

Date: Dec-15-2009

MACOMB, IL 61455

No noncompliant items identified at this inspection.

Exit interview conducted with the IACUC Chair.

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2.31 (e) (2)

INSTITUTIONAL ANIMAL CARE AND USE COMMITTEE (IACUC).

The regulations state, "(e) A proposal to conduct an activity involving animals, or to make a significant change in an ongoing activity involving animals, must contain the following:...

(2) A rationale for involving animals, and for the appropriateness of the species and numbers of animals to be used;..."

***In one protocol involving the trapping of wild animals, the only justification provided for the number of animals to be used is, "40 individuals is a small number." and that the animals will not be harmed using the "proven technique". This is not a justification of animal numbers that the IACUC can evaluate.

Correct by: Prior to additional animal trapping

2.31 (e) (3)

INSTITUTIONAL ANIMAL CARE AND USE COMMITTEE (IACUC).

The regulations state, "(e) A proposal to conduct an activity involving animals, or to make a significant change in an ongoing activity involving animals, must contain the following:...

(3) A complete description of the proposed use of the animals;..."

***One protocol reviewed, involving the trapping of wild animals did not provide a complete description of the activity. There was no description of how long traps would be set, when they would be monitored, and if the traps would be protected from environmental conditions and potential animal predators once the wildlife was trapped. There is no indication of how long an animal might remain in a trap, without access to food or water.

The description of the use of the Lincoln-Peterson Index is confusing. It is stated that, "The method assumes that the

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population is initially marked and marked again later to count the number of recaptures." Later in the protocol, banding and toe clipping are both mentioned, but it is unclear if an animal will undergo additional banding/toe clipping on recapture ("marked again"). Furthermore, there is a very limited description of the banding method to be used.

Correct by: Prior to additional animal trapping

2.31 (e) (5)

INSTITUTIONAL ANIMAL CARE AND USE COMMITTEE (IACUC).

The regulations state, "(e) A proposal to conduct an activity involving animals, or to make a significant change in an ongoing activity involving animals, must contain the following:...

(5) A description of any euthanasia method to be used."

***In the protocol involving wild animal trapping, there is no description of the method of euthanasia. Even if euthanasia is not an endpoint, protocols need to contain this information so that the IACUC can evaluate and approve the euthanasia method in the case of a sick or injured animal being captured.

Correct by: Prior to any additional animal trapping

2.38 (b) (1) (ii)

MISCELLANEOUS.

The regulation states, "(b) Access and inspection of records and property.

(1) Each research facility shall, during business hours, allow APHIS officials:...

(ii) To examine records required to be kept by the Act and the regulations

***At the time of inspection, all required records were not available for evaluation. The inspector was unable to view the last two semi-annual IACUC program and facility inspections and the accompanying letters to the Institutional Official (signed by a majority of the IACUC members). These records need to be stored in a place where they can be accessed at the time of inspection.

Correct by: From this point forward

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No regulated species present at the time of inspection.

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