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Fiscal Year: 2009

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE ANIMAL AND PLANT HEALTH INSPECTION SERVICE

ANNUAL REPORT OF RESEARCH FACILITY

REGISTRATION NUMBER: 10-V-0004

Customer Number: 649
2. HEADQUARTERS RESEARCH FACILITY (Name and Address, as registered with USDA, include ZIP Code)

Va Medical Center (698) 50 Irving Street, N.W. (b)(2)High, (b)(7)f Washington, DC 20422

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

FACILITY LOCATIONS (Sites) See Attached Listing

REPORT OF ANIMALS USED BY OR UNDER CONTROL OF RESEARCH FACILITY (Attach additional sheets if necessary or use APHIS FORM 7023A.) Number of animals upon Number of animals upon which teaching, experiments, research, surgery, or tests were which experiments Number of animals conducted involving accompanying pain or distress to the animals and for which the use of teaching, research, Number of animals upon which being bred, conditioned, or held surgery, or tests were conducted involving leaching, research, TOTAL NUMBER appropriate anesthetic, analgesic, or Animals Covered By experiments, or OF ANIMALS tranquilizing drugs would have adversely accompanying pain or The Animal for use in teaching. lests were conducted involving distress to the animals and for which affected the procedures, results, or interpretation of the teaching, research. Welfare Regulations testing, experiments. (Cols. C + D + E) research, or surgery no pain, distress, or use of pain-relieving experiments, surgery, or tests. (An explanation of the procedures producing pain or distress on these animals and the reasons such drugs appropriate anesthetic, but not yet used for analgesic, or such purposes. drugs. tranquilizing drugs were were not used must be attached to this report., used 4. Dogs 5. Cats 6. Guinea Pigs 7. Hamsters 8. Rabbits 9. Non-human Primates 10. Sheep 11. Pigs 12. Other Farm Animals 13. Other Animals RAT

## ASSURANCE STATEMENTS

- 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.)
- 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 3.) 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.
- The attending veterinarian for this research facility has appropriate authority to ensure the provisions of adequate veterinary care and to oversee the adequacy of other aspects of animal care and 4.)

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