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## UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE ANIMAL AND PLANT HEALTH INSPECTION SERVICE

## ANNUAL REPORT OF RESEARCH FACILITY

(TYPE OR PRINT)

**REGISTRATION NUMBER: 21-V-0002** 

Customer Number: 662

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

VA MEDICAL CENTER (528) 3495 BAILEY AVENUE BUFFALO, NY 14215 Telephone: 7168626528

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A	Animals Covered By The			upon which experiments,	experiments, research, surgery, or tests were	l
		Number of animals being bred, conditioned, or held for use in teaching, testing, experiments,	Number of animals upon	teaching, research,	conducted involving accompanying pain or distress to	l
				surgery, or tests were	the animals and for which the use of appropriate	TOTAL NUMBER OF
			experiments, or tests were	conducted involving	anesthetic, analgesic, or tranquilizing drugs would	
			conducted involving no	accompanying pain or	have adversely affected the procedures, results, or	ANIMALS
			pain, distress, or use of	distress to the animals	interpretation of the teaching, research, experiments,	
			pain-relieving drugs.	and for which appropriate	surgery, or tests. (An explanation of the procedures	(Cols. $C + D + E$ )
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REPORT OF ANIMALS USED BY OR UNDER CONTROL OF RESEARCH FACILITY (Attach additional sheets, if necessary, or use APHIS FORM 7023A.)

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## 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 provisions of adequate veterinary care and to oversee the adequacy of other aspects of animal care and use

CERTIFICATION BY HEADQUARTERS RESEARCH FACILITY OFFICIAL (Chief Executive Officer (C.E.O.) or Legally Responsible Institutional Official (1.O.)) I certify that the above is true, correct, and complete (7 U.S.C. Section 2143).

Date Signed 23-Nov-2021