



November 2, 2021

University of Mississippi Medical Center

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Customer No. 844

Exceptions approved by the IACUC under 9 CFR 2.38(k). As noted, exceptions to the standards may be made only when such exceptions are specified and justified in the proposal to conduct the activity and are approved by the IACUC.

- Extension of interval for cleaning/sanitization of enclosures

December, 2020 & January, 2021:

Sanitization of nonhuman primate cages was extended for a 1-day period associated with the Thanksgiving and Christmas Holiday observance. These animals are instrumented with indwelling venous access catheters and the cage change process requires a combined effort of our animal care members and laboratory technical staff. The 1-day extension allowed all personnel to observe a holiday. The Center for Comparative Research provided daily cage and room cleaning during this extension and the standard 14-day sanitization interval was resumed after the holiday.

One animal room group included 14 monkeys. This group was changed into sanitized caging on November 24, 2020 (one-day early) to avoid the Thanksgiving holiday. They were then changed again on December 9, 2020 (15 days later). This process was repeated by changing caging on

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December 22, 2020 (one-day early) and then returning to the normal schedule by changing on January 6, 2021 (15 days later).

Another room included 15 monkeys. This group was changed into sanitized caging on November 25, 2020 (one-day early) to avoid the Thanksgiving holiday. They were then changed again on December 10, 2020 (15 days later). This process was repeated by changing caging on December 23, 2020 (one-day early) and then returning to the normal schedule by changing on January 7, 2021 (15 days later).

The Center for Comparative Research and the research laboratory petitioned the IACUC for approval of this request at the November, 2020 and December, 2020 IACUC meeting. The Committee formally approved the request in those meetings.

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