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ANIMAL AND PLANT HEALTH INSPECTION SERVICE**

**Annual Report of Research Facility
Column E Explanation**

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1. REGISTRATION NUMBER

34-R-0153

2. Research Facility Headquarters address

17190 Folk Rd
Stanwood, MI 49346

3. Number of animals used in the study.

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4. Species (common name) of animals used in the study.

cotton Rats

5. Explain the procedure producing pain and distress. The rats are used to propagate *E. multilocularis* cysts. The time that the likely pain and discomfort occurs in the later stages of cyst development. Not all rats inoculated developed cysts. Seventeen rats of those inoculated develop cysts to the stage of requiring medication for pain relief.

6. Provide the scientific justification for not providing the appropriate anesthetics, analgesics, or tranquilizing drugs during procedures where the animal experienced accompanying pain or distress greater than momentary or slight.

The rats cannot be euthanized before the cysts have grown to the point of causing the host pain and discomfort as the protozoal cysts have not yet developed to the stage of being infective to the canine or feline definitive host. Once palpable cysts are detected, the cotton rats that are affected will be treated with RatAD's (Gabapentin (45mg) and Rimadyl (2mg) daily until the cotton rat is euthanized.

7. What, if any, Federal regulations require this procedure? Cite the agency, the Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) title number, and the specific section number (e.g., APHIS, 9 CFR 113, 102):

None Apply

Agency

CFR