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## Inspection Report

VANDERBILT UNIVERSITY MEDICAL CENTER 1161 21ST AVE S MCN AA 6206 NASHVILLE, TN 37232 Customer ID: 335389 Certificate: 63-R-0129 Site: 001 VANDERBILT UNIVERSITY VICE PROVOST FOR RESEARCH

> Type: ROUTINE INSPECTION Date: 05-JUL-2022

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#### Institutional Animal Care and Use Committee (IACUC).

Protocol M1800049-01 is approved for use of a large number of ferrets. The protocol as approved does not contain a rationale for the appropriateness of the numbers of ferrets to be used. The protocol gives a general overview of three phases of the research including model validation, treatment and vaccination. The description in the 'numbers justification' section of the protocol is not consistent with this overview and asks for numbers of animals in groups that are not specifically identified/described in the overview or elsewhere in the protocol. An attachment to the protocol includes a second requested number of ferrets to be used that is over 200 animals less than in the actual body of the protocol. An animal use proposal must include a rationale for the appropriateness of the numbers of animals to be used so that the IACUC (Institutional Animal Care and Use Committee) can conduct a thorough review of the components of the activities related to the care and use of animals and determine that the proposed activities are in accordance with the Animal Welfare Act. Correct prior to use of any ferrets on this proposal.

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## Critical

#### Watering.

On the morning of Saturday March 26, 2022 the animal care technician found that one rack of squirrel monkeys (housing 5 monkeys on study) was askew and the water line to the rack was disconnected from the water supply. The monkeys

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appeared fine and the water supply was reattached and flow verified. A vet tech checked on the monkeys that morning-no issues identified. On the morning of Sunday March 27, 2022 the animal care technician noted that one squirrel monkey was lying on the floor of its enclosure. The vet tech started triage and called the veterinarian who arrived quickly. The monkey was hypothermic, in lateral recumbency and appeared dehydrated. Supportive care was provided and due to lack of response the monkey was euthanized a few hours later. A second monkey was found to be alert but with ataxia and tremors of the hind limbs. Treatment and supplementation were supplied, and this monkey made a full recovery. The other three monkeys remained clinically normal. A necropsy report for the monkey that died showed changes consistent with low fluid volume and/or low blood pressure such as severe dehydration. The review of husbandry records conducted by the IACUC showed that the monkeys most likely did not have access to water for a period of up to 17 hours which with other factors such as age and study procedures may have contributed to the clinical presentation of the two affected monkeys.

Access to a sufficient quantity of potable water is necessary for the monkeys to prevent dehydration and provide for good overall health. If potable water is not continually available to the nonhuman primates, it must be offered to them as often as necessary to ensure their health and well-being, but no less than twice daily for at least 1 hour each time, unless otherwise required by the attending veterinarian or research approved by the Committee. The facility has conducted retraining of husbandry staff and instituted additional daily checks of the watering system. Corrected prior to inspection.

This inspection and exit interview were conducted with the Attending Veterinarian, the Director of the Office of Animal Welfare Assurance and other facility representatives.

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# **Species Inspected**

Cust No	Cert No	Site	Site Name	Inspection
335389	63-R-0129	001	VANDERBILT UNIVERSITY VICE PROVOST FOR RESEARCH	05-JUL-2022

Count	Scientific Name	Common Name
000014	Canis lupus familiaris	DOG ADULT
000034	Galago senegalensis	NORTHERN LESSER BUSHBABY
000006	Saimiri sciureus	COMMON SQUIRREL MONKEY
000002	Macaca fascicularis	CRAB-EATING MACAQUE / CYNOMOLGUS MONKEY
000046	Macaca mulatta	RHESUS MACAQUE
000003	Macaca radiata	BONNET MACAQUE
000002	Ovis aries aries	SHEEP INCLUDING ALL DOMESTIC BREEDS
000027	Tupaia glis	COMMON TREE SHREW
000005	Saimiri boliviensis	BLACK-CAPPED SQUIRREL MONKEY
000004	Sus scrofa domestica	DOMESTIC PIG / POTBELLY PIG / MICRO PIG

000143 Total



## CFR:3.83

Photographer: Susanne<br/>BrunkhorstCertificate: 63-R-0129Date and Time: 7/7/2022 4:00<br/>PMLegal Name: VANDERBILT UNIVERSITY MEDICAL CENTERInspection No:<br/>201609000804407Facility Name: VANDERBILT UNIVERSITY VICE PROVOST FOR<br/>RESEARCH

**Description:** Facility redacted IACUC Meeting Minutes from the May 2022 IACUC meeting-section related to the water line issue and the one squirrel monkey being euthanized.

- C. Compliance Reports
  - 1. Self-Report
    - a. 5.2022 IAF (NHP)

SB reminded the Committee that on March 27, 2022 two squirrel monkeys were found to be in distress in their cages following a period of 17 hours without access to water.

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One monkey failed to improve and was euthanized a few hours later by veterinary staff. The IACUC agreed to table the discussion until the full necropsy report was available. The report has been finalized and is consistent with the clinical presentation of dehydration.

Motion (SB): To send a letter to the DAC and the LC laboratory advising them that this incident will be reported to OLAW and the IACUC considers the case closed.

A vote was taken; the motion passed unanimously.



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Description: Final page of the n	necropsy/histopathology report for squirrel monkey that was euthanized.

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Record	ID 8087 Squirrel Monkey, 03-27-2022	
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Ears	⊗ Not Examined	
Upper Respiratory Tract	⊗ Not Examined	
Teeth	⊗ Not Examined	
Brain	⊗ Remarkable	
Brain Histology Findings	Within the temporal lobe of the cerebrum, at the level of a vascular watersheds, there are two variably sized zones in which there is infiltrate with moderate to marked numbers of neutrophils, mild, scattered edema, multiple areas of erythrocyte extravasation and scattered to clumped neuronal necrosis,	
Skin	⊗ Unremarkable	
Bone	⊗ Not Examined	
Tongue	⊗ Not Examined	
Bone Marrow	⊗ Not Examined	
Mammary Gland	⊗ Not Examined	
Skeletal Muscle	⊗ Unremarkable	
Other	⊗ Not Examined	
Diagnosis	<ol> <li>Brain: acute infarcts, temporal lobe</li> <li>Kidney: acute tubular necrosis, moderate</li> <li>Liver: hepatocellular vacuolation (likely glycogen which is a variation of normal)</li> </ol>	
Comments	Acute cerebral infarcts (2) were noted in the temporal lobe of the brain at the level of a watershed which are the most distal areas between arterial territories and are thus most commonly impacted during infarcts caused by low fluid volume and/or low blood pressure such as severe dehydration. Acute tubular necrosis in the kidney can also be attributed to lack of perfusion/reduced oxygen delivery.	
Pathologist	8	
Date Completed	04-27-2022 15:51	