



### Inspection Report

Washington University  
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Customer ID: **1444**  
Certificate: **43-R-0008**  
Site: 004  
WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY

Type: FOCUSED INSPECTION  
Date: 27-JUN-2018

**2.33(b)(2) CRITICAL**

**ATTENDING VETERINARIAN AND ADEQUATE VETERINARY CARE.**

In June of 2018 the facility self-reported an incident to USDA. The incident involved a dog recovering from anesthesia for a surgical procedure approved by the IACUC. The principal investigator's laboratory staff that was monitoring the dog's recovery communicated with the attending veterinarian about some concerns they had. The lab staff confirmed with the attending veterinarian by email that they would contact the on-call veterinarian if any complications occurred overnight as the animal continued to recover. When complications did arise, the lab staff failed to contact the on-call veterinarian. The laboratory staff attempted medical interventions, but the dog did not survive. At this time the lab staff contacted the on-call veterinarian to tell them what happened. The Director of the Division of Comparative Medicine confirmed that failure to communicate the complications with the veterinarian violated the research facility's policy. The director and attending veterinarian also stated that if the complications had been communicated to a veterinarian earlier, then the veterinarian would have suggested other interventions than what the lab staff provided. The facility shall establish and maintain programs of adequate veterinary care including the use of appropriate methods to prevent, control, diagnose, and treat diseases and injuries, and the availability of emergency, weekend, and holiday care. Failure to do so can jeopardize the welfare of animals. This item has been corrected. The IACUC promptly investigated this incident and took corrective actions to prevent future occurrences.

This was a focused inspection limited to information pertaining to the self-reported incident.

This inspection on Jun 27, 2018 and exit interview on July 2, 2018 were conducted with facility representatives.

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### Species Inspected

Cust No	Cert No	Site	Site Name	Inspection
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No Animals were Inspected.

Count	Scientific Name	Common Name
000000	NONE	NONE
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