



### Inspection Report

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UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS AT URBANA-CHAMPAIGN  
1 OBSERVATORY BUILDING  
901 S. MATHEWS  
URBANA, IL 61801

Customer ID: **603**  
Certificate: **33-R-0029**  
Site: 001  
UNIV. OF ILLINOIS - URBANA-  
CHAMPAIGN

Type: FOCUSED INSPECTION  
Date: 08-FEB-2022

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**2.33(b)(3) Critical**

**Attending veterinarian and adequate veterinary care.**

On 01/27/2022, under Protocol #20087, an approximately 2-month-old female New Zealand rabbit (#22R002) was found to have a purple bruise on its right hindlimb, at the start of a scheduled procedure. The attending veterinarian was not consulted at this time. The procedure was completed, and upon further observation, the rabbit was non-weight bearing. Care by the attending veterinarian was then sought, and the rabbit received veterinary medical treatment, was diagnosed with a fracture and then euthanized on 1/28/2022.

Failure to report information of animal health in a timely fashion to the attending veterinarian can result in further harm for the animal's health and well-being.

A mechanism of direct and frequent communication is required so that timely and accurate information on problems of animal health, behavior and well-being is conveyed to the attending veterinarian.

**2.38(f)(1) Critical**

**Miscellaneous.**

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On 11/10/2021, under Protocol #20182, a 6-month to 1-year-old intact female sheep (#IL6123F and ILL059) died during a veterinary teaching class within which first-year veterinary students were practicing venipuncture. The supervising instructor had noticed that one group of students handling the sheep in question was having trouble keeping the sheep restrained and the students were trying another restraint procedure. According to personnel present, the instructor agreed the students could try a different restraint for the sheep, given the sheep was observed to be rambunctious and it was the end of the class, but the sheep continued to fidget so they did not continue the attempts at venipuncture. After the instructor assisted with the blood draw, the sheep in question was observed not doing well and then was dead within a minute or less. At the time of the class, the protocol had specified that animals will be marked with chalk or a paint stick each time venipuncture is performed so that limits are not exceeded, yet no marks were made on the animal's body, according to personnel present.

The protocol was amended after the incident, specifying restraint requirements and venipuncture attempt limits further. However, the handling of this particular sheep was not done in a careful manner, as necropsy findings revealed severe hemorrhage along the right side of the neck, corresponding to the site of venipuncture, with cause of death likely due to exsanguination from laceration of a major vessel.

Handling of all animals shall be done as expeditiously and carefully as possible in a manner that does not cause trauma, overheating, excessive cooling, behavioral stress, physical harm, or unnecessary discomfort.

Correct from this day forward.

This inspection and exit interview were conducted with facility representatives.

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### Species Inspected

Cust No	Cert No	Site	Site Name	Inspection
603	33-R-0029	001	UNIV. OF ILLINOIS - URBANA-CHAMPAIGN	08-FEB-2022

Count	Scientific Name	Common Name
000087	<i>Ovis aries aries</i>	SHEEP INCLUDING ALL DOMESTIC BREEDS
000001	<i>Oryctolagus cuniculus</i>	DOMESTIC RABBIT / EUROPEAN RABBIT
000088	<b>Total</b>	