



### Inspection Report

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Johns Hopkins University  
720 Rutland Avenue  
Ross 459  
Baltimore, MD 21205

Customer ID: **81**  
Certificate: **51-R-0006**  
Site: 003  
JOHNS HOPKINS UNIVERSITY,  
THE

Type: ROUTINE INSPECTION  
Date: 06-DEC-2022

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**2.33(b)(3) Repeat**  
**Attending veterinarian and adequate veterinary care.**

On December 7th, 2022 during the USDA facility inspection, a female baboon was observed to have a round approximately quarter sized wound located on the on the left heel. The baboon was observed shifting weight between the right and left feet and lifting the left foot. Upon review of study observation records, the laboratory staff observed bilateral pressure ulcers on the feet on December 5th and applied Bacitracin.

The laboratory staff did not inform the RAR veterinary staff about the bilateral ischial pressure abrasion until the scheduled weekly rounds on Wednesday December 7th. After rounds with the laboratory members, a RAR veterinarian observed the baboon and noted ulceration on both hind feet. The laboratory staff had started a treatment plan of Bacitracin and pain medication on December 5th. The treatment plan was reviewed by the RAR veterinary staff on December 7th.

Daily observations may be done by someone other than the attending veterinarian provided there is a mechanism for direct and frequent communication on problems of animal health and behavior. The mechanism for reporting daily observations must ensure direct and frequent communication with the Attending Veterinarian to allow for a timely and accurate diagnosis and treatment of health issues.

Corrected during the time of inspection.

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**2.38(f) Critical**

**Miscellaneous.**

Procedures under a traumatic brain injury study were conducted on August 26th, 2022 and August 31, 2022. One study rabbit was euthanized after demonstrating significant neurological deficits. The necropsy revealed an abscess at the incision site. On September 5, 2022, a veterinary resident noticed dehiscence of the incision for another study rabbit. A RAR veterinarian identified another study rabbit with an infection at the incision site. All three rabbits were euthanized. Upon further investigation by the veterinary staff, it was determined that the research staff was not appropriately following the established aseptic procedures during the surgeries. An IACUC investigation cited inadequate aseptic technique, inadequate postsurgical monitoring, and not following the established humane endpoint parameters.

Handling of all animals shall be done as carefully as possible in a manner that does not cause trauma or physical harm. The research facility did not ensure research staff performed procedures in accordance with the protocol and facility policies. The research facility must ensure research staff have knowledge of and follow all facility policies and procedures for conducting research so that study animals are handled in a manner that prevents physical harm or distress. An appropriate corrective action plan was implemented that included retraining, veterinary oversight, and a new location for performing the surgery.

This inspection and exit interview were conducted with facility representatives and the IO.

This inspection was conducted 12/06/2022 to 12/09/2022.

Additional Inspectors:

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### Species Inspected

Cust No	Cert No	Site	Site Name	Inspection
81	51-R-0006	003	JOHNS HOPKINS UNIVERSITY, THE	06-DEC-2022

Count	Scientific Name	Common Name
000060	<i>Mesocricetus auratus</i>	SYRIAN / GOLDEN HAMSTER (COMMON PET/RESEARCH TYPE)
000009	<i>Canis lupus familiaris</i>	DOG ADULT
000041	<i>Cavia porcellus</i>	DOMESTIC GUINEA PIG
000214	<i>Callithrix jacchus</i>	COMMON MARMOSET
000089	<i>Macaca mulatta</i>	RHESUS MACAQUE
000011	<i>Macaca nemestrina</i>	PIG-TAILED MACAQUE
000085	<i>Sus scrofa domestica</i>	DOMESTIC PIG / POTBELLY PIG / MICRO PIG
000135	<i>Oryctolagus cuniculus</i>	DOMESTIC RABBIT / EUROPEAN RABBIT
000034	<i>Rousettus aegyptiacus</i>	EGYPTIAN FRUIT BAT
000085	<i>Eptesicus fuscus</i>	BIG BROWN BAT
000025	<i>Chinchilla lanigera</i>	CHINCHILLA (DOMESTICATED)
000025	<i>Mustela putorius furo</i>	DOMESTIC FERRET
000002	<i>Felis silvestris catus</i>	CAT ADULT
000033	<i>Cricetulus griseus</i>	CHINESE HAMSTER
000067	<i>Carollia perspicillata</i>	SEBA'S SHORT-TAILED BAT
000034	<i>Papio anubis</i>	OLIVE BABOON
000007	<i>Ovis aries aries</i>	SHEEP INCLUDING ALL DOMESTIC BREEDS
000003	<i>Papio hamadryas</i>	HAMADRYAS BABOON
000959	<b>Total</b>	