



Inspection Report

Emory University

Customer ID: **896**

IACUC Administration 1599 Clifton Road NE - 4th Floor. Mailstop: 1599-001-1BE
Atlanta, GA 30332

Certificate: **57-R-0003**

Site: 002

YERKES PRIMATE
CENTER/FIELD STATION

Type: ROUTINE INSPECTION

Date: 14-FEB-2023

2.38(k)(1)

Miscellaneous.

The husbandry log for the indoor housing area M1A showed that enclosure sanitization was done most recently on 02/16/2023. A facility representative, in reviewing older logs, stated sanitization was previously done 11 weeks ago on 12/01/2022. The animals in this compound are not being used for a study that requires an extension to the every 2 weeks sanitization requirement for scientific purposes. For general husbandry of caged enclosures, the IACUC approved an up to 12 weeks interval between enclosure sanitization with ongoing daily rinsing due to labor shortages. Exceptions to the AWA regulations and standards can only be made and approved by the IACUC when such exceptions are justified for the research study being conducted. Each research facility must comply in all respects with the regulations and the standards. Exceptions to the standards may be made only when such exceptions are specified and justified in the proposal to conduct the activity and are approved by the IACUC. To be corrected by March 7th, 2023.

3.75(a)

Critical

Housing facilities, general.

On January 19th, 2023, a two-year-old female rhesus macaque was found dead in an outdoor compound. Her body was found with the head inside a gap at the base of the wall dividing two compounds. The gap, located between one of the concrete footings and adjoining metal base plate, was created/deepened by weather related erosion. The facility's internal

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investigation concluded that the primate's death resulted from the head being caught in the gap. This enclosure was not maintained in an adequate state of repair as appropriate for the juvenile rhesus macaque. Housing facilities for non-human primates must be kept in good repair, and must protect the animals from injury. At the time of inspection, corrective actions and preventative measures had been implemented.

3.75(c)(1)(i)

Housing facilities, general.

Multiple areas of excessive rust were identified during this inspection.

*The outdoor portion of the chimp group housing at the field station (G2) has areas of excessive rust which are affecting the integrity of the surface of some of the metal bars of the enclosure. The affected areas are concentrated where the outdoor portion abuts the indoor portion of the housing. The rust is present along the lowest three to six inches of the vertical round bars, along the surfaces of the bottom horizontal squared support bar to which the vertical bars reach and on a few of the rounded metal clamp like pieces holding the wire to the bottom horizontal squared support bar. The rust is pitted in appearance and texture. Some of the vertical bars have lost integrity at their lower ends with the metal having crumbled away/broken off leaving only a portion of the bar remaining.

* Several of the metal surfaces in the outdoor S compounds have varying degrees of rust. One metal pole in particular, part of the fence for the outdoor S5 compound, had an excessive amount of rust throughout the entire length of the internal surface. The rust appeared moderately pitted with small pieces having flaked off creating a rough surface. Excessive rust can prevent appropriate cleaning and sanitization and lead to structural integrity issues. The animals may also injure themselves on jagged metal surfaces present when the metal starts to disintegrate. The facility shall ensure that any surfaces that the nonhuman primates can come in contact with are free of excessive rust. Correct by 6/21/23.

This inspection and exit interview were conducted with facility representatives.

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Species Inspected

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896	57-R-0003	002	YERKES PRIMATE CENTER/FIELD STATION	14-FEB-2023

Count	Scientific Name	Common Name
000140	<i>Cercocebus atys</i>	SOOTY MANGABEY
000018	<i>Pan troglodytes</i>	CHIMPANZEE
002154	<i>Macaca mulatta</i>	RHESUS MACAQUE
002312	Total	