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ANIMAL AND PLANT HEALTH INSPECTION SERVICE**

**Annual Report of Research Facility  
Column E Explanation**

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**1. REGISTRATION NUMBER**

52-R-0011

**2. Research Facility Headquarters address**

University of Virginia, Office of VP for Research  
P. O. Box 400301  
Charlottesville, VA 22904

**3. Number of animals used in the study.**

2

**4. Species (common name) of animals used in the study.**

swine

**5. Explain the procedure producing pain and distress.**

This study is mapping the pain pathway of swine from the periphery to the reticular system through the spinal cord and midbrain. Once specific pain pathways are identified, they are lesioned using focused ultrasound, which is a non-invasive manner to do some brain procedures. This is being tested as a method to interfere with chronic pain perception.

**6. Provide the scientific justification for not providing the appropriate anesthetics, analgesics, or tranquilizing drugs during procedures where the animal experienced accompanying pain or distress greater than momentary or slight.**

Since the intent of the study is to map pain pathways in swine, analgesics and non-steroidal anti-inflammatory drugs directly interfere with the mapping procedure.

**7. What, if any, Federal regulations require this procedure? Cite the agency, the Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) title number, and the specific section number (e.g., APHIS, 9 CFR 113, 102):**

None

**Agency**

**CFR**

## Column E Explanation

This form is intended as an aid to complete the Column E explanation. It is not an official form and its use is voluntary. Annual Reports and explanations should NOT include PII information such as names (principle investigators and research staff), addresses, protocols, meeting notes (either in part or in full), the animals room numbers, grant information, veterinary care programs, and the like. A Column E explanation must be written so as to be understood by lay person as well as scientists.

1. Registration Number: 52-R-0011

2. Number of animals categorized as column E used in this study. 2

3. Species (common name) of animals used in this study. Swine

4. Explain the procedure producing pain and/or distress. Explanations should include a brief description of the procedure, but also explain what the animal's experience, examples of which may include, but are not limited to: Neurological signs, seizures, tremors, paralysis, lethargy, inappetance, respiratory signs, GI distress, vomiting, and diarrhea.

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5. Attach or include with the reason(s) for why anesthetics, analgesics and tranquilizers could not be used. (For federally mandated testing, see Item 6 below).

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None

1. Registration Number: 52-R-0011

2. Number of animals categorized as column E used in this study. 124

3. Species (common name) of animals used in this study. Rabbit

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5. Explain the procedure producing pain and distress.

Neonatal rabbits have *Shigella flexneri* instilled intra-rectal while under anesthesia. For the next week they develop dysentery which is studied but not treated. The *Shigella* is genetically manipulated to determine which of its genes are involved in the progression and severity of dysentery.

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Analgesics in the opiate category change bowel motility and therefore cannot be used to study the ensuing dysentery in the bunnies. Similarly, non-steroidal anti-inflammatory drugs alter the course of the dysentery which is being studied. Nursing care support is provided to facilitate hydration and provision of dietary calories during the dysentery that progresses over a seven day period after which the rabbits are humanely euthanized with Euthasol.

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None