### ANNUAL REPORT OF RESEARCH FACILITY

**TYPE OR PRINT**

**FACILITY LOCATIONS (if applicable): See Attached Listing**

#### REPORT OF ANIMALS USED BY OR UNDER CONTROL OF RESEARCH FACILITY

<table>
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<tr>
<th>Category</th>
<th>Animals Covered by The Animal Welfare Regulations</th>
<th>Number of animals being bred, conditioned, or held for use in teaching, testing, experiments, research, or surgery but not yet used for such purposes</th>
<th>Number of animals upon which teaching, research, experiments, or tests were conducted involving no pain, distress, or use of pain-relieving drugs</th>
<th>Number of animals upon which experiments, teaching, research, surgery, or tests were conducted involving accompanying pain or distress to the animals and for which the use of appropriate anesthetic, analgesic, or tranquilizing drugs were used</th>
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#### ASSURANCE STATEMENTS

1. Professionally acceptable standards governing the care, treatment, and use of animals, including appropriate use of anesthetic, analgesic, and tranquilizing drugs, prior to, during, and following actual research, teaching, testing, surgery, or experimentation were followed by this research facility.

2. Each principal investigator has considered alternatives to painful procedures.

3. This facility is adhering to the standards and regulations under the Act, and it has required that exceptions to the standards and regulations be specified and explained by the principal investigator and approved by the Institutional Animal Care and Use Committee (IACUC). A summary of all such exceptions is attached to this annual report. In addition to identifying the IACUC approved exceptions, this summary includes a brief explanation of the exceptions, as well as the species and number of animals affected.

4. The attending veterinarian for this research facility has appropriate authority to ensure the provisions of adequate veterinary care and to oversee the adequacy of other aspects of animal care and use.

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**DATE SIGNED:**

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Column E Explanation

1. **Registration Number:** 41-R-0006
2. **Number of animals used in this study:** 80
3. **Species of animals used in the study.** Guinea Pigs
4. **Explain the procedure producing pain and/or distress.**

   A colitis model is produced in guinea pigs by giving a single intracolonic administration of trinitrobenzene sulfonic acid (TNBS) dissolved in ethanol. This administration is done via enema with a feeding tube approximately 7 cm long in an animal anesthetized with isoflurane. A volume of 0.3-0.5 ml is administered. The ethanol will initially cause an acute inflammatory response. The TNBS creates a cell mediated immune response that can cause localized ulceration, hyperemia and edema of the colon. After administration, approximately 10% of animals do not develop lesions, 5% develop stasis with systemic effects that are euthanized, and 85% develop a localized colitis involving 20% of the entire colon. The lesions are present for up to 3 weeks. It is unclear how much pain or distress the guinea pigs experience following TNBS administration, as this has not been studied directly in this model. All animals initially lose weight due to satiety-induced decreased food intake, but almost all animals remain active and responsive and do not vocalize upon handling. If an animal shows outward signs of distress (vocalization when handled, abdominal distension, weight loss of more than 20%, or weight loss that does not recover after 4 days), the animal is immediately euthanized.

   In a subgroup of guinea pigs on this colitis study, a 5 cm long midline abdominal incision is done in anesthetized guinea pigs to inject retrograde label into the prevertebral ganglia. Although buprenorphine (0.01 mg/kg s.c.) is routinely given to animals that undergo this laparotomy, it is not administered to the guinea pigs that will subsequently receive TNBS or the respective control group of this same study.

5. **Provide scientific justification why pain/and or distress could not be relieved. State methods or means used to determine that pain and/or distress relief would interfere with test results.**

   Guinea pigs that have colitis induced by TNBS administration are not given analgesics following their recovery from the procedure. This is because available analgesics all have significant effects on gastrointestinal motility through actions on the enteric nervous system (Cowen, 2003; Kurz and Sessler, 2003), which is the system being studied in this protocol. Buprenorphine, Tramadol, and other opiates cause severe constipation, causing the administered TNBS to remain stationary in the colon that could lead to perforation, sepsis and death. The Mayo PI has first hand experience that buprenorphine (0.01 mg/kg s.c.) can exacerbate TNBS-induced intestinal inflammation and thus cause death.
Anti-inflammatory agents such as acetaminophen or indomethacin can alter mucosal responses and exacerbate ulcers. Likewise, the enzyme targets of these anti-inflammatory compounds may be directly involved in the inflammatory response this laboratory seeks to study. Even newly discovered analgesics have bowel alterations that would confound the data being collected for this study, because all major neurotransmitters and most neurotransmitter receptors are located in the bowel.

In the case of guinea pigs that undergo a laparotomy incision, it would not be scientifically appropriate to compare TNBS-treated animals with no analgesics given to control animals that receive analgesics (buprenorphine). Therefore, animals that undergo the abdominal surgical procedures to retrograde label neurons in the ganglia and that are to be used as controls for TNBS-treated animals also do not receive analgesic treatment.

References:


6. 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
November 4, 2009

Dr. Elizabeth Goldentyer, Director
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Eastern Regional Office
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Dear Dr. Goldentyer:

RE: Research Facility Annual Report, Registration 41-R-0006

Enclosed is the “Annual Report of Research Facility” (APHIS Form 7023) form with attachments for the Mayo Clinic (Registration Number: 41-R-0006, Customer Number: 542). who is the Institutional Official for animal use at all Mayo Clinic sites, has signed the form.

The Institutional Animal Care and Use Committee has approved five exceptions to the Animal Welfare Act regulations and standards.

- The IACUC approved an exception to the pig housing guidelines (Guide for the Care and Use of Laboratory Animals) in the Mayo Clinic A pig between 25-30 kg is housed in 12 square feet of floor space for less than 24 hours. Up to 12 pigs per year are housed in this manner.

- The IACUC approved a request for an exemption from the Animal Welfare Act regarding cat housing requirements at Mayo Clinic Rochester for a protocol involving cat reproduction. Cages without resting boards will be used for individually housing cats with kittens for a period of up to two months.

- The IACUC approved an exception to the space requirements for baboons housed at Mayo Clinic Rochester. Baboons that weigh greater than 25 kg may be housed in cages with less than 25.1 square feet of space while these animals are being acclimated to or on a tether system for drug administration. Housing in smaller cages will only occur during the time the baboon is on the tether system.
The IACUC approved an exception for one dog protocol at Mayo Clinic Rochester regarding the use of chemical grade fentanyl being used as an anesthetic agent. The committee approved its use to avoid changing drug parameters in the middle of this research study.

The IACUC approved exceptions to housing species in separate rooms for the animal facilities at Mayo Clinic Rochester. At both locations, hamsters may be housed within the same room as mice or rats because these species are being exposed to biosafety agents at the same level (Biosafety Level 2). Animals within these rooms are all housed in microisolation cages.

Studies involving “death as an endpoint” or LDxx studies were not carried out at Mayo Clinic this past year.

Attending veterinarians at all sites have the authority to ensure that adequate veterinary care is provided. Full time staff veterinarians oversee the Department of Comparative Medicine that administers all aspects of the animal care and use program at Mayo Clinic.

Sincerely,

Enclosure

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