



## Inspection Report

T R S LABS INC

Customer ID: **884**

Certificate: **57-R-0015**

Site: 001

T R S LABS INC

P O BOX 5112

Type: ROUTINE INSPECTION

ATHENS, GA 30604

Date: Apr-24-2012

**2.31** (c) (7)

### INSTITUTIONAL ANIMAL CARE AND USE COMMITTEE (IACUC).

(7) Review and approve, require modifications in (to secure approval), or withhold approval of proposed significant changes regarding the care and use of animals in ongoing activities.

\*\*\*Protocol #12-11 was approved to use Xylazine and Ketamine. The facility is currently using Butorphanol and Dexdomitor. This change in the drug combination is considered a significant protocol change requiring IACUC review and approval. There is no documentation showing IACUC review and approval for the change. Significant changes to protocol #12-11 must be reviewed and approved or approval withheld. Correct by May 24, 2012.

**2.33** (b) (3)

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### ATTENDING VETERINARIAN AND ADEQUATE VETERINARY CARE.

(b) Each research facility shall establish and maintain programs of adequate veterinary care that include:

(3) Daily observation of all animals to assess their health and well-being; Provided, however, That daily observation of animals may be accomplished by someone other than the attending veterinarian; and Provided, further, That 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;

\*\*\*There were 2 dead gerbils in a cage on the bottom shelf of the rack in room "F". The primary enclosure appears to be overcrowded, there are at least 14 gerbils in the enclosure and no water in the water bottle. Overcrowding of these type of animals contributes to fighting which can lead to death. The employee stated that he had intended to separate the gerbils the previous week but had not done it yet. The gerbils shall be separated expeditiously to prevent overcrowding, injury and death. Corrected by end of this inspection.

\*\*\*Dog number 381 has a yellowish green crusty material in his left eye. There is no documentation indicating the condition has been observed and treatment provided. The dog shall be examined and proper treatment provided.

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**3.2** (d) **REPEAT**

### INDOOR HOUSING FACILITIES.

(d) Interior surfaces. The floors and walls of indoor housing facilities, and any other surfaces in contact with the animals, must be impervious to moisture. The ceilings of indoor housing facilities must be impervious to moisture or be replaceable (e.g., a suspended ceiling with replaceable panels).

\*\*\*The ceiling in Kennel "A" is constructed of insulation covered by a plastic sheeting material. There are several areas in the ceiling that have holes torn in them or sections that have pulled away from the walls creating large gaps. I observed a hole that was approximately 8 inches and a section that had separated leaving a 12 - 16 inch gap. There are other areas that have been patched with tape but the tape is beginning to peel off. The ceiling is not impervious to moisture. The ceiling must be repaired and all other ceilings maintained in good repair.

\*\*\*There are cracks in the concrete flooring in the kennels. In room "A" there is a large surface crack at the entrance to a run. The surface concrete is chipping and peeling off. The cracks extend into the run. The flooring is not impervious to moisture. The floors shall be repaired.

\*\*\*In room "A" housing beagles the front wall was previously coated for waterproofing. There is a large section at the bottom of the wall that has bubbled and flaked off removing the protective coating. This wall is no longer impervious to moisture and shall be repaired to allow proper cleaning and sanitation and protect the dogs from disease hazard.

\*\*\*The cinder block wall to the right of room "A" where it meets the floor behind the runs has separated from the concrete floor leaving large gaps and a rough surface. It is no longer sealed. This area cannot be properly cleaned and sanitized. The wall shall be repaired to protect the well-being of the dogs.

**3.6** (a)

### PRIMARY ENCLOSURES.

Primary enclosures for dogs and cats must meet the following minimum requirements:

(a) General requirements. Primary enclosures must be designed and constructed of suitable materials so that they are structurally sound. The primary enclosures must be kept in good repair.

\*\*\*There are broken or protruding wires creating on the chain-link fence material composing the walls of the primary enclosures. There were at least six runs where there are protruding wires on the edges of the chain-link that are accessible to the dogs in room "C". Sharp or protruding points may cause injury if the dogs come in contact with them. Primary enclosures shall be constructed and maintained so they have no sharp points. Correct by May 24, 2012.

\*\*\*The framework of two adjacent runs in room "A" had rust and the pipe corroded decreasing the structural strength. The framework and all corroded metal shall be repaired or replaced to protect the dogs. Correct by May 24, 2012.

\*\*\*There was a stainless steel divider panel that had been pulled on and was bent into the run in room "A".

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The edge of the panel was sharp and could injure the dog if it came in contact with it. All sharp points and edges shall be removed and enclosures constructed so they have no sharp points and edges. Correct by May 24, 2012.

\*\*\*The raised platform in the first run as you enter into room A is not attached to the floor or wall. The platform has slid into the drain and is tilted and wobbling. The platform must be secured to protect the dog from injury. Correct by April 30, 2012.

### 3.11 (c)

#### CLEANING, SANITIZATION, HOUSEKEEPING, AND PEST CONTROL.

(c) Housekeeping for premises. Premises where housing facilities are located, including buildings and surrounding grounds, must be kept clean and in good repair to protect the animals from injury, to facilitate the husbandry practices required in this subpart, and to reduce or eliminate breeding and living areas for rodents and other pests and vermin. Premises must be kept free of accumulations of trash, junk, waste products, and discarded matter. Weeds, grasses, and bushes must be controlled so as to facilitate cleaning of the premises and pest control, and to protect the health and well-being of the animals.

\*\*\*There is a table in room "b" that has supplies and equipment stored on it. The table and equipment are very dusty. The table and equipment shall be properly cleaned and maintained to protect the health and well-being of the animals. Correct by May 7, 2012.

\*\*\*There were several roach casings attached to the walls in the cat room. The walls and ceilings are included in housekeeping. The casings would normally be washed away and their presence is an indication that housekeeping is inadequate. The rooms shall be properly cleaned and maintained.

### 3.131 (c)

#### REPEAT

#### SANITATION.

(c) Housekeeping. Premises (buildings and grounds) shall be kept clean and in good repair in order to protect the animals from injury and to facilitate the prescribed husbandry practices set forth in this subpart. Accumulations of trash shall be placed in designated areas and cleared as necessary to protect the health of the animals.

\*\*\*There is a rack being used for storage located in the gerbil room "E". There are rodent cages, lids, etc. stored on this rack. There is a build up of dust and debris on the shelves. The room shall be properly cleaned to protect the health of the animals.

The inspection and exit briefing conducted with the Facility Manager, Research Coordinator, Quality Assurance and Dr. Greg Gaj, SACS.

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