INSTITUTIONAL ANIMAL CARE AND USE COMMITTEE (IACUC).

Sec. 2.31 Institutional Animal Care and Use Committee (IACUC). (c) IACUC functions. With respect to activities involving animals, the IACUC, as an agent of the research facility, shall: (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; and

In animal use protocol 07-12703: Animals were given a live malarial material to induce a malaria infection. Then, the animals were to be given medication to create a chronic infection (so other studies could be performed in chronic malarial animals). Two non human primates were given additional amounts of live malarial material (when the original dose did not appear to cause the desired infection).

This ten times dose (9/29/08- they were inoculated with 10 x10^6 parasites instead of the approved 1 x 10^6.) was not approved by the IACUC. The system to assure that the committee fulfills its obligations needs more refinement. This is so that significant changes can be addressed, documented, and approved by the IACUC.

All future significant deviations from the animal use protocols need to be addressed by the committee.

An exit briefing was conducted with the facility representative.