



Inspection Report

UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS AT CHICAGO
BIO RSCS LAB, 1840 W. TAYLOR ST, M/C 533
CHICAGO, IL 60612

Customer ID: **599**
Certificate: **33-R-0018**
Site: 001
UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS AT
CHICAGO

Type: FOCUSED INSPECTION
Date: 31-AUG-2022

2.32(a) Critical

Personnel qualifications.

**On May 2, 2022, four Damaraland mole rats were found dead in their enclosures. According to facility personnel, an electric space heater that was being used to provide supplemental heat for the animals was somehow placed under the metal rack holding the enclosures resulting in the animals overheating. The facility was unable to determine how the space heater was placed under the metal rack holding the animal enclosures. Upon further review of the incident, the facility has instituted safety measures to prevent future incidents that would cause overheating of the animals. The research facility must ensure that all personnel involved in animal care, treatment and use are qualified to perform their duties to ensure the humane treatment and health of the animals.

**Corrected prior to inspection

This inspection and exit interview were conducted with facility representatives.

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07-SEP-2022

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Species Inspected

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Count	Scientific Name	Common Name
002650	<i>Heterocephalus glaber</i>	NAKED MOLE-RAT
000065	<i>Fukomys damarensis</i>	DAMARA / DAMARALAND MOLE-RAT / DAMARALAND BLES MOL
002715	Total	