



## Inspection Report

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University Of California Davis  
ONE SHIELDS AVE  
DAVIS, CA 95616

Customer ID: **9192**

Certificate: **93-R-0433**

Site: 001

UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA,  
DAVIS

Type: FOCUSED INSPECTION

Date: 06-DEC-2023

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### 3.125(a)

#### Facilities, general.

On September 13th, 2023, at approximately 2pm a ewe went into labor and Campus Veterinary Services staff assisted the ewe with delivery of quadruplet lambs. All 4 lambs were small in size (2.8kg or smaller with normal lambs ranging from 3.5-4 kg) and were slow to rouse after birth. Ewes have a greater risk of rejecting lambs from litters of this size and this ewe's maternal instincts were not strong. In an attempt to aid in maternal bonding, a lambing jug/smaller enclosed area was made using the existing catch pen at the rear of the barn stall. Between 3:30-5:30 PM, the staff monitored that the lambs were up and nursing multiple times. At approximately 6pm, staff went back to the barn to check on the lambs/let them loose if bonding was successful. At that time, one of the lambs, apparently attempting to return to the catch pen, had caught its head/neck between the vertical metal bar and wall plate nearest the lower wall hinge on the catch pen. The lamb was found unresponsive and CPR was started but resuscitation was not successful. The necropsy report indicated that the lamb had successfully nursed, but did not indicate that the lamb's death was directly caused by getting caught between the gate and wall. The facility has adapted the the catch pen to prevent any future lambs from getting caught in the same or similar gaps. The Animal Welfare Act regulations require that the enclosure should protect the animals from injury and contain the animals.

Corrected by the date of inspection 6 December, 2023.

This inspection and exit interview were conducted with the Attending Veterinarian and the IACUC staff.

Additional Inspectors:

Eduardo Vivas, VETERINARY MEDICAL OFFICER

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**Date:**  
13-DEC-2023

**Title:** VETERINARY MEDICAL  
OFFICER

**Received by Title:** Attending Veterinarian

**Date:**  
13-DEC-2023



### Species Inspected

Cust No	Cert No	Site	Site Name	Inspection
9192	93-R-0433	001	UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA, DAVIS	06-DEC-2023

Count	Scientific Name	Common Name
000001	<i>Ovis aries aries</i>	SHEEP INCLUDING ALL DOMESTIC BREEDS
000001	<b>Total</b>	