It’s Official!
Continued Full Accreditation

In late March, we received official notification of the results of the AAALAC site visit in October. The University of Texas at Austin’s animal care and use program was granted Continued Full Accreditation by AAALAC International.

THANK YOU for your participation in ensuring the humane care and appropriate use of animals that are needed in the University’s research and teaching mission.

World Week for Animals in Laboratories (WWAIL)

This year’s World Week for Animals in Laboratories (WWAIL)/World Laboratory Animal Liberation Week is being observed from April 16-24. No specific details about planned campus activities have been announced, but it is expected that student organizations (or off-campus anti-research organizations invited to campus by the student groups) will protest at the Mall and possibly along the Dean Keeton / Speedway / ARC route.

There may be media inquiries during this time. As always, media relations personnel in the University Communications office (512-471-3151) can help verify the authenticity of the reporter’s claims regarding representation before you engage with the caller. The Media Relations group can also assist you with preparing for interviews. Media experts strongly recommend that laboratories using animals prepare and keep on hand brief statements regarding the benefit to human and animal health of their ongoing experimental studies. Contact the Public Affairs Representative for your College/School/Unit (available at): http://ucomm.utexas.edu/media-relations/media-contacts.

If you have questions, you can contact Glen Otto, Director, Animal Resources Center, at 471-2392 or, for media issues, Gary Susswein, Director of Media Relations at 471-4945 or susswein@austin.utexas.edu.

The University of Texas Police Department (UTPD) is responsible for responding to any concerns about personal safety, property damage, or possible illegal activities during this time. DIAL 911 OR (512) 471-4441 TO REPORT AN INCIDENT or CONCERN to UTPD.

The next IACUC Full Committee Review (FCR) is June 13, 2016.

The submission deadline for review at this FCR is May 20, 2016.

Please contact the Office of Research Support with any questions, comments, or concerns.
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