

IACUC Update

Institutional Animal Care and Use Committee
The University of Texas at Austin

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Reporting Animal Care Concerns: “Whistle-Blower Policy”

Any person who has concerns regarding any aspect of the care and use of animals in research or teaching at The University of Texas at Austin is encouraged to voice that concern.

There are a number of options available to communicate concerns about animal care and use at The University of Texas at Austin, or to report instances of suspected non-compliance with laws, rules, regulations, and policies. The names and phone numbers of contact persons, including the Attending Veterinarian, the Director of the Office of Research Support (ORS), and the Compliance Hotline should be posted in animal facilities. The Attending Veterinarian has the authority and responsibility for ensuring compliance with all animal care and use standards and is an appropriate person to receive initial concerns in most cases. Attached to this newsletter is a poster that contains this information, and should be posted in animal facilities (including labs).

Welcome Back Everyone

A new academic year is here and there may be new faces in the lab. Be sure to update your protocol(s) personnel listing.

For eProtocols: You must initiate the personnel revision online by creating AND submitting a protocol REVISION.

For Legacy Protocols: Personnel changes for Legacy Protocols (e.g., paper protocols) must use the Protocol Personnel Modification Form (PPMF) to add or remove personnel.

Research Safety Day

Presentations and Prizes. Lunch provided. 10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. on the first floor of ACE. For more information:

<http://www.utexas.edu/safety/ehs/>

Semi-Annual Inspections: Coming Soon

The semi-annual inspections of all the University's animal facilities will occur from **September 28 – October 17, 2011**. This process involves an examination of all areas where animals are used and housed for experiments.

- ✓ An inspection schedule is attached.
- ✓ Prepare for the visit by using the “Laboratory Self-Evaluation Checklist” on the Documents, Materials, and Forms page of the IACUC website.

Welcome Dr. Roellich!

The IACUC is excited to welcome Dr. Kathleen Roellich to the Animal Resources Center (ARC), serving as the Clinical Veterinarian!

Dr. Roellich recently finished her post-DVM residency training in laboratory animal and primate medicine at the University of Washington. Prior to obtaining her veterinary degree, Dr. Roellich worked in a research environment and gained experience as a research technician, graduate student, and research scientist.

Please feel free to contact Dr. Roellich if you have any questions regarding anesthesia, analgesia, surgical procedures, or other animal health and veterinary concerns. She can also provide consultation on IACUC protocol submissions.

Dr. Roellich's contact information:

Office: **ARC 2.216**

Phone: **(512) 471-2391**

Email: **kroellich@austin.utexas.edu**

The next IACUC Full Committee Review (FCR) is **October 10, 2011**.

The deadline to submit materials for review is **September 16, 2011**.

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- The Attending Veterinarian for the campus, Dr. Glen Otto:
(512) 471-2392 or gotto@mail.utexas.edu
- The Director of the Office of Research Support (ORS)
(512) 471-8871 or orsc@uts.cc.utexas.edu
- The Compliance and Ethics Hotline, supervised by University Compliance Services (UCS), may also be used:

<https://www.reportonlineweb.com/utaustin>
1-877-507-7321

Suspected non-compliance can be reported to UCS by email, telephone, US mail, campus mail, or even stop by in person.

E-mail: hotline@compliance.utexas.edu
Phone: 512-232-7055
US Mail: PO BOX 8118, Austin, TX 78713-8118
Campus Mail: UTA 2.206 | Mail Code D9200

Reference: UT-Austin HOP Policy 11.B.3 "Use Of Animals In Research And Teaching Activities"

Questions about animal bites, scratches, other exposures or allergies? Work-related injuries? Recombinant DNA (rDNA) exposure or biohazard risks?

HealthPoint
Balance & Well-Being in Work & Life
Occupational Health Program

Office: NOA 3.214
Hours: Monday through Friday
8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. (closed noon to 1:00 p.m.)
Phone: (512) 471-4OHP (4647)
Fax: (512) 471-2666
Email: HealthPoint.OHP@austin.utexas.edu
Web: <http://www.utexas.edu/hr/current/services/ohp.html>

After hours consultation with an OHP nurse is available by calling the main number. Emergency or after hours urgent care is provided by St. David's affiliated emergency rooms.

Questions about drug/chemical storage and/or disposal? Spills, splashes, lab accidents? Controlled substances? Sharps? Biohazards? Carcass disposal?

 **Environmental
Health & Safety**

Office: SER 210C
Phone: (512) 471-3511
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Web: <http://www.utexas.edu/safety/ehs/lab/>



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TO: **All Principal Investigators and Laboratory Personnel**
FROM: **Institutional Animal Care and Use Committee**
DATE: **September 13, 2011**
SUBJECT: **Notice of Semi-Annual Animal Facilities Inspection**

The Institutional Animal Care and Use Committee (IACUC) will conduct the semi-annual inspection of the Institution's animal facilities from **September 28, 2011 – October 17, 2011**. This process involves an examination of all areas where animals are used and housed for experiments. The "Laboratory Self-Evaluation Checklist" should be used to facilitate your laboratory preparation for the semi-annual facility inspections and is a good resource to keep your laboratory in tip-top shape.

Please post the name(s) and best contact method (e.g., lab phone, cell phone, etc.) of a knowledgeable person that will be present and able to answer questions during the inspections.

Fall Semi-Annual Facility Inspection Schedule

(dates and times subject to change)

Wednesday, September 28, 2011

2:00 – 4:00 p.m.

Marine Science Institute

Monday, October 3, 2011

9:00 – 11:00 a.m.

ARC Annex, SW7, vehicle(s)

Tuesday, October 4, 2011

9:00 – 11:00 a.m.

PAT Basement, Floor 1, 2, 3

Tuesday, October 4, 2011

1:00 – 3:00 p.m.

BEL, PAT Floor 4, 5, 6, Roof

Wednesday, October 5, 2011

9:00 – 11:00 a.m.

NMS

Wednesday, October 5, 2011

1:00 – 3:00 p.m.

Brackenridge Field Laboratories

Tuesday, October 11, 2011

9:00 – 11:00 a.m.

ARC Floor 2, ARC Floor 3

Wednesday, October 12, 2011

9:00 – 11:00 a.m.

Pickle Research Campus

Wednesday, October 12, 2011

1:00 – 3:00 p.m.

DPRI

Thursday, October 13, 2011

9:00 – 11:00 a.m.

BIO, BME, PAI, SEA

Thursday, October 13, 2011

1:00 – 3:00 p.m.

MBB, NHB, PHR

Monday, October 17, 2011

9:00 – 11:00 a.m.

ARC General Facilities, Floor 1

Do not hesitate to contact the Office of Research Support if you have any questions or need any additional information. Your cooperation is greatly appreciated.

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