

IACUC Update

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REMINDER: AAALAC Site Visit November 13-16, 2012

As you are already aware, The University of Texas at Austin's triennial accreditation site visit with the Association for Assessment and Accreditation of Laboratory Animal Care, International (AAALAC) will take place **November 13-16, 2012.**

This process involves an examination of all areas where animals are housed or used for experiments.

A general visit agenda is included with this newsletter. Due to the fluid nature of the visit, we cannot provide any additional information about when the visitors will reach your individual lab.

To help you prepare for the site visit, please refer to the "Laboratory Self-Evaluation Checklist" on the "Documents, Materials, and Forms" section of the IACUC website.

Thank you again for your continued dedication to The University of Texas at Austin's animal care and use program.

eProtocol Tips of the Month

- When removing personnel from your protocol, remember to make sure that all references to the removed personnel are no longer in the protocol. For example, personnel are sometimes listed within procedures or as emergency contacts (on the Husbandry page).
- Did you know you are able to download a PDF of the entire protocol? There are two ways to download a PDF:
 - On the left-hand side menu of the protocol, click on the "Print View" button.
 - On the left-hand side menu of the protocol, click on the "Event History" button. Be sure to scroll to the bottom of the page and select the version that was most recently approved.



ORS Closed for Thanksgiving 11/22/12 & 11/23/12

The Office of Research Support (ORS) will be closed Thursday, November 22, 2012 and Friday, November 23, 2012. No protocol processing will occur during this time period. For animal-related emergencies, contact the on-call veterinarian at the Animal Resources Center (ARC).

Protocol Review & Winter Break

As the semester draws to a close, the Office of Research Support (ORS) wants to share information that may be useful in planning your IACUC protocol submissions. The office will be closed beginning December 24, 2012 and will reopen January 2, 2013.

In order to assist you and ensure the ORS is able to facilitate the review of IACUC protocol submissions, protocol revisions and renewals received before 4:00 p.m. on Wednesday, December 5, 2012 will be processed before the end of business on Tuesday, December 18, 2012. Please note that if the protocol requires substantial revision, we may not be able to complete the review of those changes before the University closes. We will appreciate all you can do to avoid waiting until the last day.

Any new protocol or third-year resubmission protocol submitted after 4:00 p.m. on Tuesday, November 20, 2012 will not be reviewed until the January 14, 2013 Full Committee Review.

The next IACUC Full Committee Review (FCR) is **December 17, 2012.**

The deadline to submit materials for review is **November 20, 2012.**

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Please contact the Office of Research Support with any questions, comments, or concerns.
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**The University of Texas at Austin
Institutional Animal Care and Use Committee
Triennial AAALAC Site Visit Agenda and Schedule**

Tuesday, November 13, 2012

8:00 – 8:30 AM	Informal Opening Meeting <i>Estuarine Research Center Seminar Room</i>
8:30 – 9:30 AM	Facility Inspection <i>MSI</i>
9:30 – 9:45 AM	Drive to FAML
9:45 – 12:00 PM	Facility Inspection <i>FAML</i>
12:00 – 4:30 PM	Drive to UT Austin Main Campus <i>Program Description questions can be discussed during the drive</i>

Wednesday, November 14, 2012

8:00 – 8:30 AM	Opening Remarks <i>FAC conference room 426HH</i>
8:30 – 10:15 AM	Program Description Review <i>FAC conference room 426HH</i>
10:30 – 12:30 PM	Facility Inspection – Centrally-Managed Facilities <i>ARC (vivarium and research lab areas)</i>
12:30 – 1:00 PM	Working Lunch <i>ARC Conference Room 2.204</i>
1:00 – 5:00 PM	Facility Inspection – Campus Laboratory Buildings <i>BME, NMS, PAT, PHR, SEA</i>

Thursday, November 15, 2012

8:00 – 10:00 AM	Facility Inspection – Centrally-Managed Facilities <i>NHB (vivarium and research lab areas)</i>
10:00 – 11:30 AM	Facility Inspection – Campus Laboratory Buildings <i>BEL, ECJ, MBB, PAI</i>
12:00 – 1:00 PM	Luncheon with IACUC <i>AT&T Conference Center – Private Rooms 1 & 2</i>
1:00 – 5:00 PM	Facility Inspection – Off-campus Areas <i>DPI (vivarium and research lab areas) BFL, PRC</i>

Friday, November 16, 2012

8:30 – 11:15 AM	Document Review <i>Office of Research Support FAC 426GG</i>
	Make-up Time (Visitors may split up) <i>For anything missed or needing more time to visit</i>
11:30 – 12:30 PM	Luncheon with ARC animal care staff <i>NOA Conference Room 5.318</i>
12:45 – 2:45 PM	Executive Session for Visitors <i>Office of Research Support FAC 426GG</i>
2:45 – 3:30 PM	Exit Briefing <i>FAC conference room 426HH</i>