

# IACUC Update

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

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## Biannual Inventory of Drugs

The Drug Enforcement Agency (DEA) recently conducted a site visit of a license holder on campus. During the visit, the DEA noted that the researcher had not conducted a biannual inventory of their controlled substances.

The biannual inventory is a physical verification that the observed inventory of controlled substances matches the documented inventory. EHS recommends that the biannual inventory be a separate document from the “regular” inventory.

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## Employment Opportunity in ORS

The Office of Research Support at The University of Texas at Austin has an open position for an IACUC Coordinator.

**IACUC Program Coordinator**  
**Posting Number: 14-08-05-01-8105**

Interested applicants must apply through The University of Texas at Austin Human Resources: <http://www.utexas.edu/hr/prospective/apply/process.html>

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## Semi-Annual Facility Evaluations: Coming Soon!

The semi-annual evaluations of all the University’s animal facilities will occur from **September 22 through October 8, 2014**. This process involves an examination of all areas where animals are used or housed for teaching, research, and/or testing.

A complete schedule is attached to this newsletter. Unfortunately, the IACUC will be unable to provide specific times within each evaluation window for individual laboratories.

You can begin preparing your laboratory for the visit by reviewing the revised “Laboratory Self-Evaluation Checklists” that are available on the “Documents, Materials, and Forms” page of the IACUC website.

## Goodbye Felicia

Felicia Ponce will be leaving the Office of Research Support with her last day being Thursday, August 14, 2014. From Felicia:

*I would like to take this opportunity to say good-bye as I am headed back home to San Antonio. Thank you all for a wonderful experience at The University of Texas at Austin! Our IACUC has such a solid program and I have learned so much in my time here. I will miss the semi-annual facility evaluations that gave me a chance to see all of the amazing work and scientific progress. Thank you all for your warm welcome and all of the interactions during my time here!*

Thank you Felicia and best of luck!

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## Protocol Description of Personnel Qualifications & Training

The IACUC must assess the adequacy of training and experience of personnel regarding the procedures used, and roles and responsibilities of personnel involved. For each person listed on a protocol, you are required to describe that person’s previous experience with the specific species and procedures listed on the protocol. If someone does not have previous experience, you must describe the training plan for that person.

The information provided on the “Personnel Information” page should explain past experience and/or the plan for supervision and training in sufficient detail for the IACUC to assess their qualifications.

Stating “X+ years with rodents” or “Prior experience collecting blood” is not adequate.

The next IACUC Full Committee Review (FCR) is **September 8, 2014**.

The submission deadline for review at this FCR is **August 15, 2014**.

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TO: **All Principal Investigators and Laboratory Personnel**  
FROM: **Institutional Animal Care and Use Committee**  
DATE: **August 11, 2014**  
SUBJECT: **Notice of Semi-Annual Animal Facility Evaluations**

The Institutional Animal Care and Use Committee (IACUC) will conduct the fall facility evaluations from **September 22, 2014 through October 8, 2014**. This process involves an examination of all areas where animals are used and housed for research, teaching, and/or testing. The [Laboratory Self-Evaluation Checklists](#) should be used to facilitate your laboratory preparation for the facility evaluations 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 laboratory visits.

**Fall Semi-Annual Facility Evaluation Schedule**

(dates and times subject to change)

<b>Monday, September 22, 2014</b> 9:00 – 11:00 a.m. ARC Annex, vehicle(s)	<b>Monday, September 29, 2014</b> 9:00 – 11:00 a.m. ARC General Facilities, Floor 1
<b>Monday, September 22, 2014</b> 1:00 – 3:00 p.m. DPRI	<b>Monday, September 29, 2014</b> 1:00 – 3:00 p.m. BME, PAI, SEA, WEL
<b>Tuesday, September 23, 2014</b> 9:00 – 11:00 a.m. NHB (vivarium, labs, imaging center)	<b>Tuesday, September 30, 2014</b> 9:00 – 11:00 a.m. PAT Basement, Floor 1, 2, 3
<b>Tuesday, September 23, 2014</b> 1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m. MBB, NMS, PHR	<b>Tuesday, September 30, 2014</b> 1:00 – 3:00 p.m. BEL, PAT Floor 4, 5, 6
<b>Wednesday, September 24, 2014</b> 9:00 – 11:00 a.m. ARC Floor 2, ARC Floor	<b>Wednesday, October 1, 2014</b> 1:00 – 3:00 p.m. Brackenridge Field Laboratories
<b>Wednesday, September 24, 2014</b> 1:00 – 3:00 p.m. Pickle Research Campus	<b>Wednesday, October 8, 2014</b> 1:00 – 3:00 p.m. Marine Science Institute

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