

IACUC Update

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Non-UT Personnel in Animal Labs

From time to time, personnel on a protocol may not have the expertise or experience to conduct the procedure(s) approved by the IACUC. In these infrequent occurrences, a Principal Investigator may call upon personnel that possess a certain skill or expertise, but are not affiliated with The University of Texas at Austin, to serve as a trainer and/or a consultant. In other instances, unaffiliated personnel may also express interest in observing procedures involving animals.

When individual(s) have direct involvement with the protocol, either by handling animals or providing guidance to approved personnel handling animals, the IACUC must assess the qualifications and prior experience of the individual(s). This must be handled by submitting a protocol amendment in eProtocol.

The IACUC recently approved a policy to clarify expectations for protocols and non-UT personnel. Please see Policy 3.14 for more information on the IACUC's expectations:

http://www.utexas.edu/research/rsc/iacuc/policies_index.html

Annual Animal Usage Report: Coming Soon

Each year, The University of Texas at Austin must submit an annual report of animal usage to the USDA to maintain compliance with the Animal Welfare Act. Additionally, we must also report this usage to our accrediting agency, AAALAC, to maintain our accreditation status.

These reports must include the total number of animals that have been used between October 1, 2013 through September 30, 2014. **NOTE: This is not the same reporting period as your animal use protocol(s).**

All Principal Investigators that have had an active protocol in the above time period will be receiving an email notice regarding this report soon.

*Please contact the Office of Research Support with any questions, comments, or concerns.
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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: 14-09-26-01-8105

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

Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs) on the IACUC Website

The Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs) section of the IACUC website was completely redesigned earlier this year with a lot of new frequently asked questions! The FAQs are now arranged by category:

- A. General Questions
- B. eProtocol
- C. Protocol Review Process
- D. Animal Utilization Proposals (AUP) / Protocol Applications
- E. Protocol Amendments, Changes, and Modifications
- F. Personnel / Personnel Requirements
- G. Continuing Reviews
- H. Third-Year Resubmissions
- I. Protocol Closure Reports (PCR)
- J. Animal Utilization Registration Forms (AURFs)

<http://www.utexas.edu/research/rsc/iacuc/faqs.html>

If you can't find what you're looking for, please contact the Office of Research Support.

The next IACUC Full Committee Review (FCR) is **November 3, 2014**.

The submission deadline for review at this FCR is **October 10, 2014**.

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