

IACUC Update

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

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ORS is now RSC

The Office of Research Support (ORS) has changed names and is now the Office of Research Support & Compliance (RSC).

Farewell Justin McNulty

Justin McNulty, the IACUC and IBC Manager, will be leaving RSC with his last day being Wednesday, March 15, 2017. From Justin:

I have truly enjoyed working with all of you over the last 12 years. These years have given me the greatest opportunity to learn about the myriad research endeavors here at the University and the chance to build new systems to enable us to facilitate the research compliance issues. Together we have made great strides and I wish each of you continued success.

Thank you, Justin, and best of luck!

Animal Welfare Assurance Renewed Through 11/30/2020

Every four years The University of Texas at Austin must assure the Office of Laboratory Animal Welfare (OLAW) at NIH that we will comply with the Public Health Service (PHS) *Policy on Humane Care and Use of Laboratory Animals (PHS Policy)*. The review process is complete and we are pleased to announce that our Animal Welfare Assurance has been approved through November 30, 2020.

Almost a year ago, OLAW implemented a new assurance numbering system. When asked for our Animal Welfare Assurance number, you can supply either number or both:

D16-00592
or
A4107-01
or
D16-00592 (A4107-01)

Semi-Annual Facility Evaluations March 27 through April 6

The semi-annual evaluations of all the University's animal facilities will occur from **March 27 through April 6, 2017**. 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 prepare your laboratory for the visit by reviewing the "Laboratory Self-Evaluation Checklists" that are available on the "[Documents, Materials, and Forms](#)" page of the IACUC website.

Reporting Animal Care Concerns: "Whistle-Blower Policy"

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

Concerns about animal care and use should be reported to the Attending Veterinarian, the Institutional Animal Care and Use Committee, or University Compliance Services. The names and phone numbers of these contact points should be posted in animal facilities and laboratories.

The IACUC has prepared a poster that contains this information and should be posted in animal facilities (including labs). The posters, in both English and Spanish, are available on the "[Documents, Materials, and Forms](#)" page of the IACUC website.

The next IACUC Full Committee Review (FCR) is **Monday, April 10, 2017**.

The submission deadline for review at this FCR is **Friday, March 17, 2017**.

Animal Welfare Assurance

D16-00592
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USDA Class R Research Facility

Customer ID: **1453**

Certificate: **74-R-0029**

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October 29, 2001

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TO: **All Principal Investigators and Laboratory Personnel**
FROM: **Institutional Animal Care and Use Committee (IACUC)**
DATE: **March 3, 2017**
SUBJECT: **Notice of Spring Semi-Annual Animal Facility Evaluations**

The Institutional Animal Care and Use Committee (IACUC) will conduct the fall facility evaluations from **March 27, 2017 through April 6, 2017**. 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.

Spring Semi-Annual Facility Evaluation Schedule

(dates and times subject to change)

Monday, March 27, 2017

9:00 – 11:00 a.m.

NHB: Vivarium

Tuesday, March 28, 2017

9:00 – 11:00 a.m.

PAT

Tuesday, March 28, 2017

1:00 – 3:00 p.m.

NHB: IRC, Laboratories

Wednesday, March 29, 2017

9:00 – 11:00 a.m.

ARC Floors 2, 3

Wednesday, March 29, 2017

2:30 – 4:00 p.m.

BFL

Thursday, March 30, 2017

9:00 – 11:00 a.m.

BME, ETC, PHR, SEA

Thursday, March 30, 2017

1:00 – 3:00 p.m.

DPI

Monday, April 3, 2017

9:00 – 11:00 a.m.

ARC Annex, Barriers

Monday, April 3, 2017

1:00 – 3:00 p.m.

ARC Floor 1, General Facilities, Vehicles

Tuesday, April 4, 2017

9:00 – 11:00 a.m.

BEL, MBB, NMS, PAI

Thursday, April 6, 2017

1:00 – 3:00 p.m.

MSI

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