



## Expired Materials

### 358.1 Purpose

**358.1.1** Emory University strictly prohibits the use of drugs used for anesthesia, analgesia or euthanasia beyond their expiration date.

**358.1.2** For other medical materials (exclusive of those mentioned above), Emory University follows guidance provided by the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA - Animal Care Policy #3) and the PHS Office of Laboratory Animal Welfare (OLAW).<sup>1</sup> For expired medical materials, other than those used for anesthesia, analgesia or euthanasia, Emory University allows for their use in animals for acute terminal procedures, provided:

- 358.1.2.1** That their use does not adversely affect the animal's well-being or compromise the validity of the scientific study;
- 358.1.2.2** That the drugs or materials are clearly labeled (IACUC recommends writing "expired, terminal use only" on the package); and
- 358.1.2.3** That they are stored separately from other drugs and materials, so as to avoid accidental use of expired substances.
- 358.1.2.4** That their use is described in the approved IACUC protocol

Proper anesthesia, analgesia, and euthanasia using non-expired drugs are required for all such procedures.

### 358.2 Definitions of Key Terms Specific to this Policy

**358.2.1** Terminal procedure: a procedure in which an animal does not recover from anesthesia following the procedure.

### 358.3 Applicability

This policy applies to all Emory research related animal activities that fall under the IACUC's jurisdiction.

### 358.4 Document Properties

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<sup>1</sup> For additional information, see OLAW Animal Use and Management FAQ #5 (available at [http://grants.nih.gov/grants/olaw/faqs.htm#useandmgmt\\_5](http://grants.nih.gov/grants/olaw/faqs.htm#useandmgmt_5)) and the USDA Animal Care Policy, Animal Care Resource Guide, Issue Date: July 17, 2007 (available at [http://www.aphis.usda.gov/animal\\_welfare/downloads/policy/policy3.pdf](http://www.aphis.usda.gov/animal_welfare/downloads/policy/policy3.pdf)).