



January 2023 IACUC Newsletter

Updated Policies

The [Gas Anesthesia Vaporizer Maintenance \(PDF\)](#) was updated this month. Click [Link to the January Quiz](#) to participate in the monthly IACUC Policy Quiz.

The winner of the December goody bag was **Paula Martinez-Feduchi**

Question: The breeding schemes used for rodents don't need to be described in an approved IACUC protocol. Answer: False

IACUC Site Inspections in January 2023

Site inspections for 2023 Period 1 are underway. *These inspections are in person.* Here are the upcoming inspections for DAR and EPC facilities and research spaces that have been approved for bringing animals to the lab:

Month	Building
January 12	Pediatrics
January 24	Whitehead Facility
January 26	Whitehead PI_managed labs

In preparation for the site inspections, researchers will receive notification emails from the IACUC Office regarding the date, time and the site inspection checklist to prepare for the inspection.

Alert to the Research Community

During the Full Committee meeting on 1/4/2023, the IACUC approved issuing the following alert to the Emory Research Community: [Bacteriostatic injectable water may have a 28-day use limit](#)-Researchers need to check the label of the bacteriostatic injectable water vial to see if the manufacturer has the 28-day use limit.

Protocol Submission Deadlines

The IACUC Committee meets on **the 1st and 3rd Wednesdays of the Month**. Deadlines for FCR review are the Wednesday one week PRIOR to the meeting date for the agenda to be disseminated to members. DMR reviews are rolling submissions and do not have a “deadline”.

Prepare for AAALAC visiting Emory University in Early 2023

Here is the [AAALAC re-accreditation checklist](#) prepared by the EU DAR veterinarians and trainers.

Contact the EU DAR at darcust@emory.edu if you have questions.

This month we are encouraging researchers listed in IACUC protocols to check their assigned roles and procedures and ensure that you have completed your required training, See [Education and Training \(PDF\)](#) – New link for ELMS is <https://elprod.emory.edu>

2023 OHS screening - There is an OHS requirement for all animal users at Emory University. This screening questionnaire must be completed at least annually by all users of animals at Emory University.

EPC Personnel: The EPC Safety Office will let you know when you need to schedule your next OHS screening.

- a. Starting January 1st, individuals who were not screened in 2022 will need to sign up through ELMS (Course 300000). See instructions here:
[https://rcra.emory.edu/ includes/documents/sections/iacuc/ohs/new_researcher_ohs_sign-up_instructions.pdf](https://rcra.emory.edu/includes/documents/sections/iacuc/ohs/new_researcher_ohs_sign-up_instructions.pdf)
- b. Individuals who have completed the EH Animal Questionnaire in HOME will receive a reminder email 60 days prior to their due date to complete the questionnaire in HOME. The email will be sent from noreplywebchart@med-web.com. [Go to the HR website> Self-Service Log IN> Workplace Health>HOME> and complete the EH Animal Questionnaire](#)

Instructions can also be found here:

[https://rcra.emory.edu/ includes/documents/sections/iacuc/ohs/researcher_home_ohs_screening.pdf](https://rcra.emory.edu/includes/documents/sections/iacuc/ohs/researcher_home_ohs_screening.pdf)

Surgeon in Training role:

The [Education and Training \(PDF\)](#) policy was revised in 2022. One of the changes to this IACUC policy was the removal of the *Surgeon in Training* role for research team members. Individuals with this role assignment will be contacted by the IACUC Office to confirm that they still need the Surgeon role, and that the DAR surgery assessment has been completed.

Resources for Researchers

The following resources are available on the IACUC website or in the IACUC SharePoint site

Contact the IACUC Office at iacuc@emory.edu if you have questions.

Protocol submission

- [IACUC Protocol New Submission Checklist and Guidance](#)
- [EXAMPLE - Completion of one Team Substance Administration Procedure per Protocol](#) (SharePoint - Log in with your Emory ID and Password)
- [EXAMPLE - Completion of one Team Substance Administration Procedure per Experiment](#) (SharePoint - Log in with your Emory ID and Password)

Use of Substances

- [Using Buprenorphine HCl and Buprenorphine SR in Mice and Rats](#)
- [Drug Alert for Injectable substances used in animals with limited number of punctures and expiration date](#)
- [Exemption for using single-dose non-bacteriostatic sterile injectable saline or water](#)

Training

- [Education and Training Requirements Checklist](#)