



February 2023 IACUC Newsletter

Updated Policies

The [Environmental Enrichment for Nonhuman Primates \(PDF\)](#) and the [Transfer of Animals Between Outside Institutions and Emory \(PDF\)](#) were updated this month.

The winner of the January goody bag was **Kristy Calderon**.

Question: The Gas Anesthesia Vaporizer Maintenance Policy says that saturated canisters are considered hazardous chemical waste. They must be disposed of as hazardous waste through EHSO.

Answer: True

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”.

T-9 days for the AAALAC re-accreditation Site Visit - 2/22 thru 2/24

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.

In preparation for the Site Visit, we are encouraging researchers to read their IACUC protocol with special attention to the procedures to which you are assigned.

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.

1. 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
2. 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](#)
3. Undergraduates and individuals with sponsored accounts please send email to IACUC@emory.edu

Instructions can also be found here:

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. If you are listed as *Surgeon in Training*, please reach out to your PI/proxy so they can submit a protocol amendment to update your role.

From your EU DAR:

Transnetyx will be hosting a lunch and learn opportunity at the Whitehead Biomedical Research Building Auditorium on Tuesday, February 21st, at 1:30pm. They will be discussing the impacts of biological variability on research and the services that Transnetyx offers research staff. See attached flyer.

Ask RCRA is this Thursday February 16th, 12pm-1pm

The Office of Research Compliance and Regulatory Affairs (RCRA) is delighted to invite you to our monthly "Ask RCRA" community forum!

Here is our agenda for this month's forum:

- **Changes in Research Grants and Contracts, Dr. Edwin Bommel** – 20 minutes
- **Overview of Data Use Agreements (DUA), Dr. Rajsekhar Guddneppanavar** – 20 minutes
- **Q & A** – 10 minutes
- AAALAC Site Visit Forum

To receive a link to the meeting, please register in advance for this webinar:

https://emory.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_gZK1sYOHSPCEtfJR5DuwYQ

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 & Procedures

- [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)
- EU DAR [Template for using flowmeters during CO2 Euthanasia](#)

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](#)

