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IACUC website—for forms, policies, guidelines, links for Occupational Health & Animal Qualifications info, etc.: www.purdue.edu/animals

Occupational Health Info: https://www.purdue.edu/ research/regulatory-affairs/ animal-research/ occupational-health.php

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News on IACUC Staffing

Carol Dowell, Training Coordinator, has recently transitioned from the Lab Animal Program to the IACUC. Carol will continue to be the Training Coordinator but now reports up through the IACUC office.

Katy Harringer, current LAP veterinary assistant, has accepted a position within the IACUC office as the Assistant Training Coordinator. Katy will report directly to Carol Dowell and begins her new position on June 3. With adding Katy to the IACUC staff, we will be able to expand the number of training classes as well as expand the training program in other needed areas.

Heather Boudreau who served as the IACUC Occupational Health and Safety Specialist has recently left the IACUC office to take another position within Purdue. The vacant position has been posted and we hope to fill it soon.

Thank you.

Lisa Snider
IACUC Administrator

Laboratory Animal Program Staffing News

It is mixed emotions that the Laboratory Animal Program would like to let the community know that Sylvia Schlegel will be leaving Purdue on June 7, 2024. She has been given a career opportunity that allows her to be closer to family and friends while still pursuing her career passion of animal care. We appreciate all that Sylvia has done over the last 12-plus years at Purdue University. She was instrumental in helping Purdue as it centralized many of its animal facilities and she has done an outstanding job with such a Herculean task over the years. We sincerely appreciate her dedication to Purdue and wish her all the best as she pursues this new adventure.

Sylvia's Next Adventure Open house is June 6, 2024 – 1:00 PM – 3:00 PM in LILLY 2-110, please stop by and wish her luck! As of Tuesday, May 28, Mr. Anthony Gray will be stepping in as interim Assistant Director of CMAF until a replacement is found. Tony was hired in April 2024 to replace Mary Larimore who will defer her retirement for an unknown length of time as we find replacement management staff. Please welcome Tony Gray to the CMAF team!

The Laboratory Animal Program and IACUC are delighted to announce that Katy Harringer has accepted a promotion with the IACUC, as the Assistant Training Coordinator. In her new role, Katy will be working closely with Carol Dowell as they continue to advance and enhance our Training Program. While LAP will miss her presence and contributions, we are excited for her as she embarks on this new and rewarding chapter in her career. Katy has been an integral part of the LAP team, demonstrating exceptional skill, dedication, and a collaborative spirit, and we are confident that she will bring the same level of excellence to her new role.

Please join us in congratulating Katy on her well-deserved promotion and wishing her all the best in her new position.

Animal Transfer Between Approved Protocols

Approval by the Institutional Animal Care and Use Committee (IACUC) and the Laboratory Animal Program (LAP) veterinary staff is required to transfer an animal to another protocol. The following steps must be completed:

- Principal Investigator of the initiating protocol must complete an Animal Transfer
 Form . Forms should be sent to Deana Galema at either lap@purdue.edu or dgalema@purdue.edu
- IACUC Administrative Review (to assure the receiving protocol has sufficient animals available).
- Review and approval by a LAP veterinarian.
- Review and approval by the IACUC Chairperson (or designee).

Forms can be found at the following link: https://www.purdue.edu/research/oevprp/regulatory-affairs/animal-research/forms.php#iacuc



REMINDER! Online Form for Self-Reporting of Adverse Events and/or Non-Compliance



The IACUC Committee is pleased to introduce a new online form to report all adverse and non-compliance events. Principal investigators and lab personnel may now notify IACUC of issues by using the online Adverse Event Reporting Form. Completed forms must be sent to the IACUC email address:

IACUC@purdue.edu. The link to the new form is: www.purdue.edu/research/oevprp/regulatory-affairs/animal-research/docs/Purdue%20IACUC%

20Noncompliance%20-%20Adverse%20Event%20Reporting%20Form.pdf



As a reminder, adverse events are incidents that lead to unanticipated injury or illness, unrelieved pain or distress, or the death of an animal. Non-compliance events occur when an IACUC protocol, policy, guideline, SOP, or procedure is not followed.

Adverse events and non-compliance issues must be <u>promptly</u> reported to the IACUC office.

End of Fiscal Year Deadlines:

Animal Ordering & Drug Distribution Center Moratorium the Week of June 19 – July 1, 2024:

There will be no animal orders placed the weeks of June 19 – July 1, 2024. Animals will still be delivered that week, but no new animal orders placed. Animal ordering will <u>resume on Monday July 1st</u>. Please plan ahead for this.

The Drug Distribution Center will be closed June 19th through Monday, July 1st . Please plan ahead for this.

All animal and DDC orders must be in (with all approvals in place) no later than **NOON on**Wednesday, June 19th, for delivery the following week. There will be no exceptions to this deadline.

Standard Rodent Housing Defined

Standard rodent housing includes a cage with bedding, enrichment, a wire feed hopper (or plastic in disposable cages), and filter top lid. A water bottle is provided and food is filled full in the food hopper. If any changes to standard housing are needed, such as removing the wire feed hopper, using gel cups instead of a water bottle, providing less than a full hopper of food, no (or different than what CMAF provides) enrichment, or providing food outside of the normal hopper, this needs to be approved within the IACUC protocol.

Assistance Available for Creating and Formatting Search Strings

The IACUC office is offering assistance with creating or formatting search strings that will be listed in the Alternative Search tab in Coeus Lite. If you would like assistance with this, please contact Nancy Mantick, IACUC Protocol Analyst, at mantick@purdue.edu (email is the preferred mode of contact), and provide your keywords for your searches. Making sure your search strings are formatted properly before submitting your new protocol or renewal can help it move more smoothly through the IACUC approval process. Please contact Nancy **PRIOR TO** submitting your protocol application (or triennial renewal) for assistance with search strings.

Summer 2024 Rodent Workshops!

Carol Dowell, IACUC Training Coordinator, will be offering the following training workshops with a maximum of **9** participants in handling and injection session. Other techniques will be a maximum of 6 or less. (If you have any questions or special requests, please do not hesitate to contact me; 765-494-2521or dowellc@purdue.edu)

These hands-on workshops are designed to introduce the participant to the basic techniques in the laboratory rat and mouse. The Handling/Restraint workshop is a prerequisite for participation in all other workshops; unless participant has had previous training and/or experience in this area. A minimum of 3 days notice is requested for cancellation.

Workshops are filled on a first-come, first-serve basis! Workshops are free to personnel tied to Purdue protocols, Purdue staff/faculty. You are encouraged to participate in workshops that are <u>directly related to techniques in your protocol</u>. It is most helpful if participants are familiar with their project/protocol prior to

REGISTRATION:

- Location for the following workshops — Meet in Lily Hall room 3-114. Please visit, https://www.purdue.edu/research/oevprp/regulatory-affairs/animal-research/lap/workshops-events.php

and select areas of <u>training required per your protocol</u> and register through the "Sign Up" link. (If the following times do not fit your schedule or training needs, I would be happy to set up training for most any species on an individual basis.)

1. Basics of Rodent Handling, Restraint, and Normal Behavior. (Rat & Mouse)

2. Injections in the rat and mouse; ID, IM, SC, IP

3. Blood Collection in the Rat and Mouse

$$7/1/24 - Monday 1:00 - 3:00pm$$

4. Tail Vein Injection in the Rat and Mouse

5. Rodent Oral Gavage.

$$7/11/24$$
 – Thursday 1:00 – 3:00pm

6. Isoflurane Gas Anesthesia

7. Wound closure and Suturing Basics

8. Orbital Sinus Injection – (As an alternative to tail vein injection)

9. Aseptic Technique / Surgical Preparation

10. Euthanasia / Basic Necropsy / Organ Identification

11. Optical Loupes for Magnification. Participants will try on and use surgical loupes while suturing. This lab is designed to introduce the participant to surgical magnification.

12. Mouse Breeding Colony

13. Tattoo for rodent identification. (Limited to 6 participants)

14. Combined Techniques * (Prior experience/training in majority of courses is required)

This workshop is designed to incorporate all that you have learned regarding rodent handling, injections, blood collection, anesthesia, surgical prep, wound closure and euthanasia. *You should come prepared to practice specific techniques that you will be using in your research*.

8/05/24 - Monday 1:00 - 3:00pm

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