

PACUC Policy

Designated Member Review (DMR) Subsequent to Full Committee Review (FCR)

When substantive information is lacking from a protocol (new or triennial), or amendment to a protocol, that has been sent to the full committee for review where the committee may have questions requiring a response from the PI before approval can be granted, the following action(s) may be taken if approved by the quorum present at the convened meeting:

- The PACUC may vote to require modifications to the protocol or amendment before it can be approved and have the revised document reviewed and approved by the designated member review process. The designated member review must be conducted by the chair of PACUC (or designee¹) and the veterinarian (or designee²) who performed the pre-review of the protocol.

If the PACUC uses the above process, the approval date is the date that the designated member(s) approve the study. Animal work conducted before this date must be reported to OLAW as a serious noncompliance with the PHS Policy. ([PHS Policy IV.F.3](#))

Signatures of the Voting PACUC Members

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¹If the Chair is not available (e.g., out of the office), the Assoc. Chair may be considered the designated member reviewer.

²If the veterinarian who performed the pre-review of the protocol/amendment is not available (e.g., out of the office), the other Laboratory Animal Program veterinarians may be considered the designated member reviewer.