

University of Washington
April 21, 2022 IACUC Meeting Minutes

Members Present:	AB	ES	KG	MRB
	AC	GS	KM	SRH
	AP	JFI	MB	TB
	AW	JPVH	ME	
	CM	JS	MK	

Members Absent: DM
JM
MRK

Opening Business

- The Floor was opened for public comment at 2:31pm
- The IACUC Chair called the meeting to order at 2:39pm.

Confirmation of a Quorum and Announcement

- Quorum was confirmed by ZR.

Approval of the IACUC Meeting Minutes

- The IACUC Chair called for the approval of the March 17, 2022 meeting minutes.
Motion was made and seconded: to approve the minutes as written.
Further Discussion: *discussion/changes/notes*
Vote: Approved with 18 members voting in favor, 0 against and 0 abstentions.

Attending Veterinarian's Report – TB

- Out of Range temps or lighting: None
- Adverse events: None
- On March 21-23, one animal room in the ABSL3 facility was not checked by DCM staff. All animals were weighed and checked by investigative staff and no abnormalities were detected. The new employee who checked the animal rooms failed to check all rooms and was not aware that animals had been moved into that room. The ABSL3 SOP is to check all rooms every day (whether you believe animals are present or not). The employee has been trained on that SOP. We have discussed this with OLAW, and as all animals were checked every day, it is not reportable to OLAW.

Motion was made and seconded: to send a letter of counsel to the Director of the BSL-3 Facility

University of Washington
April 21, 2022 IACUC Meeting Minutes

Further Discussion: None

Vote: Approved with 18 members voting in favor, 0 against, 0 abstentions.

- From Arizona
 - Facilities items: None
 - Adverse events: None

OAW Director's Report - JFI

- **Training program updates**
 - An updated version of the course called "Annual DCM Facility Access for Non-Rodents" has been published and is accessible through the AUTS online courses page.
- **IACUC metrics**
 - The metrics are posted under Supporting Documents in the meeting folder.
- **Other updates**
 - There is a document attached in the meeting folder under Supporting Documents called "Feed Expiration Dates". This is just an informational document showing some recent updates made to Purina food packaging. This brand of diet is used throughout our facilities, so you will likely see it on vivarium site visits. The most significant update is that there is now an expiration date printed on the bag, whereas before there was just a manufacturing date.
- **Responses to Letters**
 - None
- **Protocol Non-compliances**
 - 4390-01 – On April 12th it was self-reported by the group that 19 mice had received a substance that was not approved on the IACUC protocol. The PI of the protocol had submitted an amendment on March 25th that added experiments involving oral and subcutaneous administration of the agent ovalbumin, which was not yet approved. There was a miscommunication within the research group, and these experiments were initiated before that amendment was approved. The PI self-reported this to OAW and took full responsibility for the miscommunication within his group. He indicated that, in order to avoid a similar event in the future, he will only provide team members with updates on protocol status once the amendment is fully approved, and he will remind all members of the lab to independently review the protocol before starting a new experiment.
 - This has been reported to OLAW.

University of Washington
April 21, 2022 IACUC Meeting Minutes

- Looking at our records, this group has had 3 other reportable events within the past 5 years. In 2017 there was an event in which a mouse was fasted overnight without IACUC approval. In early 2020, there was an instance of unexpected mortality following an injection, and the animals had not been monitored post-injection as described in the protocol. In late 2020 there was an instance of unapproved caging, in which a cage had been modified without IACUC approval. In all 3 cases, the IACUC sent the PI a letter of counsel.

It was suggested to follow up a letter with a more informal conversation with the PI about how to improve the group's process for managing their animal care and use.

Motion was made and seconded: to send a Letter of Reprimand

Further Discussion: None

Vote: Approved with 18 members voting in favor, 0 against, 0 abstentions.

Standard Operation Procedures / Policies / Guidelines

- SOP – Aquatic Amphibian Enrichment – **AS**

Motion was made and seconded: to approve the policy as written.

Further Discussion: None

Vote: Approved with 18 members voting in favor, 0 against, 0 abstentions.

- Standard Procedures Review – **AS**
 - 3 standard procedures up for review – all related to Anesthesia
 - Each procedure updated to remove reference to phenytoin as some euthanasia solutions do not contain this agent.
 - Anesthetic Overdose, Pentobarbital or Pentobarbital Solution (Pigs)
 - Anesthesia Terminal, Pentobarbital or Pentobarbital Solution (Rabbits - NZW)
 - Anesthesia Terminal, Pentobarbital or Pentobarbital Solution (Rabbits - NZW)

Motion was made and seconded: to approve the policies as written.

Further Discussion: None

Vote: Approved with 18 members voting in favor, 0 against, 0 abstentions.

University of Washington
April 21, 2022 IACUC Meeting Minutes

Closing Business:

The Meeting was brought to a close at 3:01pm.