

Summer 2006



ASAF Changes

ASAF has been updated!

The Animal Subject Approval Form has been updated as of April 2006 to clarify information requested and reduce the bulk of redundant correspondence generated with PIs with the previous form. Please use this form when submitting to the committee. The new form can be found by visiting www.ogrd.wsu.edu/forms.asp

Policy Changes

Justification of Animal Numbers

Thanks again for helping to better explain (statistical, power analysis) the particular minimum numbers of animals needed. Suggestions for preparing this section of the ASAF are available at: <http://www.iacuc.wsu.edu/documents/justification.doc?id=71>

Change in Breeding Colony Policy

The federal Office of Laboratory Animal Welfare (OLAW) now requires that justification of breeding colony numbers not only include justification of the numbers of breeding pairs but also justification for the total number of offspring produced, even if not all of the offspring will be part of the research protocol.

AAALAC Visit

AAALAC to visit in the Fall

The Association for Assessment and Accreditation of Laboratory Animal Care (AAALAC) makes its triennial visit to all WSU campuses next fall. As well as examining animal care procedures, each visiting team tends to have its own personality with its own special agenda. It is important therefore that even small details of animal care receive the attention of PIs, instructors, and managers. In particular, make sure:

- a) **One-to-One**
Each grant can be matched to one approved and active ASAF.
- b) **Animals to ASAFs**
All animals are associated with an approved and active ASAF.
- c) **ASAFs current**
All current research is conducted under an approved and active ASAF.

A Note from the Coordinator:

For any questions about the status of your current protocols, please contact the IACUC Coordinator, Rebecca Van Wyck. I can be reached at 335-7951 or by e-mail at: vanwycrj@wsu.edu.

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