

III.M. STANDARD OPERATING PROCEDURES AND POLICIES OF THE UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA INSTITUTIONAL ANIMAL CARE AND USE COMMITTEE (IACUC)

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The University of Pennsylvania recognizes the scientific and ethical responsibility for the humane care and use of animals involved in research and education and enjoins all individuals involved to maintain the highest standards of animal care and consideration. This concern extends to investigators to protect the animals as well as comply with the specific requirements established and regulated by the sponsors of their research, University Policies and/or federal regulations.

The University of Pennsylvania recognizes and supports fully The Institutional Animal Care and Use Committee (IACUC), as the agent for The University of Pennsylvania in its obligations for the humane care and use of animals.

The University of Pennsylvania and the IACUC shall:

1. Assure all activities (involving animals) meet the ethical and legal requirements for the humane care and use of animals
2. Maintain and promote an open and cooperative relationship with investigators and faculty, and the greater university community.
3. Educate the University of Pennsylvania community concerning the ethical and regulatory considerations for the humane care of animals.

The full text of the University's Institutional Animal Care and Use Committee's standard operating procedures and policies is available at the following URL: <https://iacuc.upenn.edu/node/6> (<https://iacuc.upenn.edu/node/6/>)