

IACUC UPDATES

New for 2011-2012

The UNCG Institutional Animal Care and Use Committee (IACUC) strives to continually improve the institutional quality of animal research and teaching activities. With this goal in mind, please be aware of the following procedural changes and new documents. All changes are effective August 15, 2011 and all documents are available through the IACUC website.

<http://www.uncg.edu/orc/iacuc.html>

- ***ORC open office hours***
The ORC is available from 9:00 to 12:00 Monday through Friday to discuss any IACUC related issues. No appointment is necessary to sit down with the Compliance Coordinator for IACUC consultations.
- ***Updated website***
The ORC website is redesigned with a new look and feel. Please visit the site at <http://www.uncg.edu/orc/iacuc.html> to become familiar with it.
- ***SOP and form annual update***
The IACUC annually reviews all forms and the SOPs and has made several changes to these documents. All updated documents are available on the IACUC webpage.
- ***New FAQ***
A new FAQ document has been created and is available on the IACUC webpage.
- ***New protocol routing process***
All protocol submission (i.e. new submission, renewals, and amendments) should be sent to the ORC first. The ORC will facilitate the remainder of the review process. A flow diagram can be found [here](#).
- ***Occupational health***
As of July 3, 2011 all occupational health clearances will be done at the UNCG Student Health Services. This will be free for all currently enrolled students and discounted for all faculty and staff. Individuals will also have an option of using their own physician under certain circumstances and with additional documentation.
- ***Animal facility security upgrades***
Upgrades to the Animal Facility security system are underway. Cameras are being installed in both facilities to monitor persons entering and exiting animal rooms. A new key reader system has been installed on the main entry doors as well as each animal room. Researchers will only have access to their assigned animal room. We hope these upgrades will add to the existing security methods that were already in place.
- ***Animal facility manual***
The Animal Facility Manual has been updated with minor revisions. A condensed version of the Manual is available on the Office of Research Compliance website. For a full version of the updated Manual, please contact Angie Hansing or the Office of Research Compliance.