



Fall 2007 IACUC Inspections begin October 1st

The IACUC will begin semi-annual inspections of all animal facilities on October 1. Inspections will be conducted Monday-Thursday 9am-12noon & 1:30pm-4:30pm, and Friday 9am-12noon. The PI must make themselves and/or a senior lab member available.

For a detailed list of what the IACUC will be looking for on inspections, please see:
<http://www.iacuc.ufl.edu/inspections.htm>

Before you submit your protocol...

Do you have questions about the housing or care of your animals? Need help understanding surgical techniques or the best procedures to use? These kinds of questions can best be answered by an ACS veterinarian.

Very often, issues come up during the IACUC review process that could easily be addressed before you submit your protocol to the IACUC. These types of issues can very often slow the review process or delay presentation of your protocol if it is called to a Full Committee meeting for discussion. ACS strongly encourages you to contact their office to talk with a vet about any animal care or procedure questions you may have regarding your submission. For protocols called to Full Committee, the vet may suggest a meeting between you, the vet, and designated reviewers so the protocol is better prepared for discussion at the meeting. Write to vconsult@grove.ufl.edu to request consultation with a vet and they'll get you set up.

New Web-Based System On-Line Soon

The IACUC is implementing a new online protocol submission system (myIACUC). The purpose of the myIACUC system is to provide a more efficient way to prepare, submit, approve, and track protocols through the IACUC protocol approval process.

The IACUC is integrating Investigators into the myIACUC system. We encourage you to do all new or triennial submissions in the new system now. The system will be mandatory for all new or triennial submissions starting January 2, 2008.

We are also asking all Principle Investigators, study staff, and study coordinators to register in the system as soon as possible. Please go to <https://my.iacuc.ufl.edu> and log in using your gatorlink username and password. You will be directed to the registration page; please fill in the requested information including your desired roles. This should take about 2-3 minutes to complete. The IACUC will be in contact to let you know when your roles have been accepted and established.

The user manual for using the myIACUC system is on the homepage of myIACUC, <https://my.iacuc.ufl.edu>. The IACUC will be providing open training sessions starting in November. Please see dates and times posted on our website at http://www.iacuc.ufl.edu/news_updates.htm. We can also provide further training sessions for individuals, departments, labs, etc.

If you have questions please contact Crystal Head at 392-9918.