

### IACUC Approved Exception

The research team requested to have a 30% weight loss as an experimental endpoint for an infection model. This is a departure from our standard 20% weight loss for endpoint criteria. The IACUC reviewed the exception and elected to place animals in Category E. During this time period animals were supported with fluid therapy, daily analgesics, critical care administered orally and treats were offered. The animals remained anorexic despite the after care. The animals were carefully assessed, maintained and nurtured several times a day.

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