

Annual Report to OLAW

Institution: Washington University in St. Louis
Assurance Number: D16-00245
Reporting Period: October 1, 2020 through September 30, 2021

This institution's Institutional Animal Care and Use Committee (IACUC), through the Institutional Official, provides this annual report to the Office of Laboratory Animal Welfare (OLAW).

I. Program Changes *[Select A or B]*

- ☐ A. There have been **no changes** in this institution's program for animal care and use as described in the Assurance. *[Skip to Item II.]*
- ☒ B. Change(s) in this institution's program for animal care and use as described in the Assurance have occurred during this reporting period. ([FAQ 6](#))

Select all that apply:

- ☐ This institution's AAALAC accreditation status has changed ([PHS Policy IV.A.2.](#)).
- ☐ [AAALAC Accredited](#) – Category 1
- ☐ Non-Accredited – Category 2
- ☒ This institution's program for animal care and use has changed ([PHS Policy IV.A.1.a-i.](#)). *[Attach a full description of the changes.]*
- ☐ The individual designated by this institution as the Institutional Official has changed. *[Provide name, title(s), address, e-mail, phone, and fax numbers in Item V.]*
- ☒ The membership of this institution's IACUC has changed. *[Provide current roster of members in Item VI.]*

II. Semiannual Evaluations

This IACUC has conducted semiannual evaluations of the institution's program and inspections of the institution's facilities (including satellite facilities) on the dates below. Reports of the evaluations and inspections have been submitted to the Institutional Official. The reports include any IACUC-approved departures from the *Guide* with a reason for each departure, any deficiencies (significant or minor) that were identified, and a plan and schedule for correction of each deficiency. *[Do not provide semiannual reports unless they include a minority view.]*

A. Program Evaluations

[Two dates (month/day/year) must be provided to satisfy the PHS Policy requirement that evaluations be done at 6 month intervals. If the IACUC conducted more than 2 evaluations of the program during the reporting period, please attach a list showing the dates.]

Date 1: January 26, 2021	Date 2: July 27, 2021
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B. Facility Inspections

[Two dates (month/day/year) must be provided to satisfy the PHS Policy requirement that facility inspections be done at 6 month intervals. If the IACUC conducted more than 2 inspections of each site during the reporting period, please attach a list showing the dates.]



Date 1: See Attachment 2

Date 2: See Attachment 2

III. Minority Views *[Select A or B]*

- ☒ A. There were **no minority** views during this reporting cycle.
- ☐ B. Any minority views submitted by members of the IACUC regarding reports filed under [PHS Policy IV.F.](#) for this reporting cycle are attached.

IV. Signatures

IACUC Chairperson	Institutional Official
Name: John R. Cirrito, PhD	Name: Jennifer K. Lodge, PhD
Signature:  (b) (6)	 (b) (6)
Date: 11/29/2021	Date: 12/1/2021

V. Change in Institutional Official

Name:	
Title:	Degree/Credential:
Name of Institution:	
Address: <i>[street, city, state, zip code]</i>	
E-mail:	
Phone:	Fax:

VI. Change in IACUC Membership [*Current roster*]

Institution: Washington University in St. Louis			
IACUC Contact Information			
Address: [<i>street, city, state, zip code</i>]			
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Phone: (b) (6)		Fax: (b) (6)	
IACUC Chairperson			
Name: John R. Cirrito			
Title: Associate Professor, Neurology		Degree/Credentials: PhD	
PHS Policy Membership Requirements***: Chair/Scientist*			
IACUC Roster [<i>Provide below or attach</i>]			
Name of Member/ Code*	Degree/ Credential	Position Title/ Occupational Background**	PHS Policy Membership Requirements***
Nirah Shomer	PhD, DVM, DACLAM	Associate Vice Chancellor for Research, Director/Department Comparative Medicine	Veterinarian
(b) (6)			Vice Chair/Scientist
			Scientist
			Scientist
			Scientist
			Scientist
			Scientist
			Scientist
			Scientist
			Scientist
			Scientist
			Scientist
			Scientist
			Scientist

(b) (6)			Nonaffiliated
			Nonaffiliated
			Nonaffiliated/Nonscientist
Nirah Shomer	DVM, PhD, DACLAM	Attending Veterinarian/Associate Vice Chancellor for Veterinary Affairs	Veterinarian
(b) (6)			Veterinarian
			Member
			Member
			Member
			Member/Alternative

* Names of members, other than the chairperson and veterinarian, may be represented by a number or symbol in this report to OLAW. Sufficient information to determine that all appointees are appropriately qualified must be provided and the identity of each member must be readily ascertainable by the institution and available to authorized OLAW or other PHS representatives upon request.

** List specific position titles for all members, including nonaffiliated (e.g., banker, teacher, volunteer fireman; not "community member" or "retired").

*** PHS Policy Membership Requirements:

Veterinarian veterinarian with training or experience in laboratory animal science and medicine or in the use of the species at the institution, who has direct or delegated program authority and responsibility for activities involving animals at the institution.

Scientist practicing scientist experienced in research involving animals.

Nonscientist member whose primary concerns are in a nonscientific area (for example, ethicist, lawyer, member of the clergy). Any individual classified as nonscientist meets this requirement.

Nonaffiliated individual who is not affiliated with the institution in any way other than as a member of the IACUC, and is not a member of the immediate family of a person who is affiliated with the institution. This member is expected to represent general community interests in the proper care and use of animals and should not be a laboratory animal user. A consulting veterinarian may not be considered nonaffiliated. Any individual classified as nonaffiliated meets these requirements.

[Note: all members must be appointed by the CEO (or individual with specific written delegation to appoint members) and must be voting members. Non-voting members and alternate members must be so identified.]

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Attachment 1

B. The qualifications, authority and percent of time contributed by the veterinarians who will participate in the program include the following individuals, all of whom are employed in the Division of Comparative Medicine (DCM) at WUSTL:

1. Nirah Shomer, DVM, PhD, DACLAM, CMAR serves as the Attending Veterinarian; is the Associate Vice Chancellor for Veterinary Affairs and the Director of the Division of Comparative Medicine (DCM).

Qualifications: Dr. Shomer received her veterinary degree from the fully accredited University of Minnesota and has 26 years of experience in laboratory animal medicine. She is a federally accredited veterinarian, former AAALAC ad hoc consultant, and a member of AALAS, ACLAM, and AVMA. Additional degrees and certifications listed above.

Authority: Dr. Shomer has primary program authority and responsibility for the Institution's animal care and use program including access to all animals.

Time contributed to the animal care and use program: 100%; full time employee

(b) (6)

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II. Semiannual Evaluations

B. Facility Inspections

Building/Laboratory	Inspection Date	Inspection Date	Inspection Date
(b) (4)		01/14/2021	07/14/2021
		01/27/2021	07/21/2021
	12/02/2020		06/02/2021
		01/19/2021	07/20/2021
	12/02/2020		06/02/2021
	12/08/2020		06/03/2021
	***	***	08/25/2021
		01/19/2021	07/20/2021
		05/10/2021	08/19/2021
		02/26/2021	08/26/2021
	12/08/2020		06/03/2021
		02/23/2021	08/25/2021
		02/18/2021	08/18/2021
		01/12/2021	07/12/2021
	12/16/2020		6/16/2021
	12/16/2020		6/16/2021
	12/16/2020		6/16/2021
		01/05/2021	7/6/2021
		01/05/2021	7/6/2021
		01/12/2021	7/12/2021
		01/27/2021	7/21/2021
		02/24/2021	08/20/2021
	12/02/2020		6/2/2021
	12/08/2020		6/3/2021
	***	***	7/12/2021
	***	***	7/12/2021
	***	***	7/12/2021
	See Note	See Note	See Note

Note: Satellite Animal Use Locations (I.e., housing and surgery) are inspected on a rolling and ongoing basis as part of the post approval monitoring program. Findings are reviewed by the IACUC at the next available meeting date. Satellite Animal Use Locations are inspected at 6-month intervals during the scheduled inspection period [January - June or July - December].

*** These locations were previously inspected as part of the rolling satellite animal use locations and have been transferred to the centralized facility inspection schedule as of July 2021.