

**Institutional Animal Care and Use Committee Meeting  
Minutes**

**1:00pm, June 13, 2022**

**Remote via Zoom**

**Voting Members Present:** Chair; M-1; NA-2; NS-1; S-1; S-2; S-3; S-5~; S-6; S-7~; S-9; V-1; V-2; V-3

**Alternate Members Present:** M-A-2; S-A-3; S-A-5; S-A-6; V-A-3

**Voting Members Absent:** NA-1; S-4; S-8

**Visitors Present:** IACUC Specialist 1; IACUC Specialist 2; Asst VP, Regulatory Affairs/Safety; Research Quality Assurance Officer

**Meeting was brought to order at 1:02 PM and quorum confirmed with 12 of 17 members present.**

**Introductions & Announcements:**

- Next Meeting was announced for July 2022.
- Non-affiliated members needed
  - o NA-1 was thanked for their service

**Standing Items:**

- Approve minutes [June ad-hoc]
  - o Approved as written
- Submission Metrics
  - o 92 total submissions in May 2022.
  - o 102 total submissions in April 2022.

**Old Business**

- **Approve SA report to IO**
  - o The Committee discussed the SA Programmatic Review. Of note:
    - No major changes required. Discussed unresolved incidents and updates to resolutions.
  - o **The Committee approved the following:**
    - Approved with modifications as discussed.
  - o Signature documents will be sent after meeting
- **20-617\***
  - o The committee discussed an update for protocol 20-617\*. Of note:
    - Ad hoc meeting approved resuming work with big brown bats (BBB).
    - IO requested meeting with species experts. Of note:
      - Experts agree that incidents PI is experiencing are not unusual and that keeping bats for roughly a year is normal.
      - Recommendations include for Mexican free-tailed bats (MFT):
        - o Increasing housing size to a minimum of 12x12x12ft.
        - o Increase population density to at least 50 bats at a time.

- Determine if bats will feed on their own within 2 days of capture. If bats are not self-feeding within that time, they need to be released.
    - Feeding stations should be hung on the walls.
    - Feeding and water dishes must have a regular/daily sanitizing schedule
  - Next steps include:
    - Discuss requested changes with PI, including gradual restart of work with MFT.
    - Update IO.
    - Close original adverse event report per OLAW request.
    - Create a new adverse event report that incorporates the implemented changes.
- **09-120\***
- The committee discussed an aim dealing with the production and preparation of oocysts that interested the VMO. Of note:
    - Meeting with Tech Launch determined no conflict of interest.
    - PI will need to justify use of self-propagation as there are currently commercially available oocysts.
    - Plans to close the lab within a year.
    - Next steps include:
      - Follow up in 6 months to ensure the lab will close. Otherwise, PI will need to scientifically justify aim.
- **16-209 Follow up**
- The committee discussed an update to protocol 16-209. Of note:
    - All requested personnel have completed training.
    - Committee is still waiting for SOPs to be submitted.
    - Next steps include:
      - Require SOPs be submitted as soon as possible.
      - Assemble a separate committee to oversee protocol amendment process once SOPs are received.

## New Business

- **USDA Inspection**
- The committee discussed the most recent USDA Inspection. Of note:
    - Inspection occurred 5/24 – 5/25
    - Inspection occurred due to a complaint about a horse at [REDACTED]. The horse is not USDA regulated, so no USDA oversight is required. The horse is privately owned and under veterinary care.
    - Determined that none of the [REDACTED] facility is USDA regulated according to VMO.
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    - Received a non-critical citation for expired drugs at the [REDACTED].
    - AV reminded IACUC members to be aware of shade requirements when inspecting [REDACTED] herds.
- **PAM follow up**
- Committee discussed PAM visit for protocol 11-287. Of note:
    - Several areas for improvement were found. Lab had 14 days to schedule inspection and 7 days to respond to comments.
    - Personnel did not have accurate knowledge of the protocol.

- Personnel have since read the protocol thoroughly.
  - Lab space needed to be cleaned.
  - Use locations were not up to date.
  - Personnel were unable to open lockbox that potentially contained controlled substances.
    - Contacted facility managers to unlock box and no controlled substances were found.
  - Personnel were not performing non-surgical anesthesia monitoring.
    - New surgical forms were provided for the lab.
- **CAC Emergency Plan**
    - Discussed minor document updates to include threats to person or animals under Break ins/ vandalism section.
    - **IACUC reviewed; no significant changes requested.**
  - **UAC Rodent Cage Change Frequency**
    - Re-approve document, on to 3-year cycle
    - No changes
    - **Committee approved as presented.**
  - **I-IC-GU-124**
    - Update to add additional participation requirements for inclusion on USDA protocols.
      - Add species-specific UAC training for USDA species.
    - **Committee approved as presented.**
  - **I-IC-GU-301**
    - Updates to include bats with large animal USDA species.
      - Update requires UAC assistance for surgery to be in line with other USDA species
    - **Committee approved as presented.**
  - **Non-Compliance follow up**
    - Review requested to ensure all reports were successfully submitted.
    - Updates to guidance in Fall.
      - Updates will clarify reportable instances.
    - Protocol 13-479 has been cleared to work with BSL agents and non-compliance report has been closed.

**Meeting was adjourned at 2:13 PM and quorum maintained for the duration.**

\*Indicates USDA species.

Minutes compiled by IACUC Specialist.

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