



**Duke University & Duke University Medical Center
Animal Care & Use Program
Policy**



PROTOCOL REQUIREMENT FOR DUKE FACULTY

PERFORMANCE STANDARD: To ensure that all animals being used by Duke personnel for research and/or teaching purposes are provided appropriate care and sufficient oversight, regardless of the source of funds or the performance location, the Duke Institutional Animal Care and Use Committee (IACUC) requires an approved Duke protocol to cover this work.

BACKGROUND: It has long been an institutional expectation that Duke faculty who oversee vertebrate animal use activities at a different institution would have such work reviewed and approved by the Duke IACUC to the same extent as if the work was occurring within a Duke facility. This policy formalizes the requirement and provides clear guidance on this matter. The absence of an approved protocol poses a potential institutional risk since published research documents (manuscripts, conference abstracts, etc) bearing the Duke name or the authors' affiliation with Duke University or Duke University Medical Center may describe animal use procedures that the Duke IACUC would not approve.

PROTECTIVE POSTURES REQUIRED: N/A

POLICY: Duke faculty who serve as Principal Investigators or Co-Investigators/Sponsors (as defined by the Duke IACUC policy on Principal Investigators) of research or teaching projects that use animals at institutions other than Duke, will submit an animal use protocol to the Duke IACUC for review and approval. Such individuals shall not initiate or participate in the animal activity until the Duke protocol has been approved.