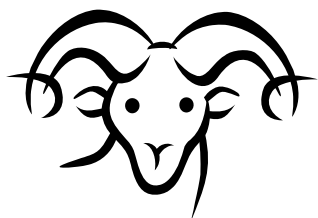


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## RESOURCES



The Guide for the Care and Use of Laboratory Animals (NAS 1996) is the standard we are required to abide by as an institution. Write [OLAW@od.nih.gov](mailto:OLAW@od.nih.gov) for a free copy.

The Guide for the Care and Use of Agricultural Animals in Agricultural Research and Teaching (FASS 1999) is the standard for care of animals in agricultural research.

Guidance on animal care and use is available at

<http://web.research.colostate.edu/ACP/default.aspx>

and

<http://web.research.colostate.edu/ricro/acuc/policies.aspx>

Laboratory Animal Resources maintains a library and other resources to support your animal use.

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## Responsible Animal Use



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# Responsible Animal Care and Use

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## ANIMAL CARE AND USE

All animal activities must be reviewed and approved by the Institutional Animal Care and Use Committee before implementation. Activity includes all aspects of research, testing or teaching that involve care and use of animals ([http://](http://web.research.colostate.edu/ACP/default.aspx)

[web.research.colostate.edu/ACP/default.aspx](http://web.research.colostate.edu/ACP/default.aspx) Or <http://web.research.colostate.edu/ricro/acuc/policies.aspx> or 491-1553).

All individuals performing procedures on animals must be trained and qualified to perform those procedures, and be familiar with the protocol. Investigators are responsible for assuring staff training.

Check all animals and their environment daily including holidays and weekends, and keep a log of those checks and husbandry procedures.

All animals require identification (e.g. by cage cards, fur dyes, ear tags, tattoos or implantable chips). Cage cards should include source of the animal, strain or stock, names and contacts of responsible investigators, pertinent dates and current protocol number.

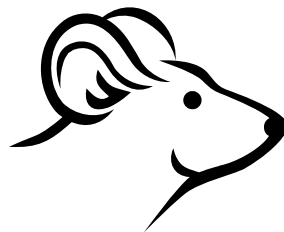
## VETERINARY CARE

Veterinary consultation is required in the formulation of all protocols that involve pain, distress or discomfort to all animals.

Animals must be closely monitored and given post procedural care. For assistance call a Laboratory Animal Resources veterinarian (556-3414 or 491-7364).

All out-of-date drugs and supplies should be discarded.

All feed and bedding must be stored off the floor. Open feed or bedding containers must be stored in closed vermin-proof containers. Containers should include mill (manufacture) dates for feed. Feed should be used within 6 months of manufacture. Purified and chemically defined diets should be stored at 4°C (39°F).



## WORKING WITH ANIMALS SAFELY

All individuals working with animals are expected to participate in the Occupational Health Program based on their level of risk (<http://web.research.colostate.edu/ACP/OHP.aspx> 491-6729).

Individuals working with animals should use appropriate engineering controls and, where indicated, additional personal protective equipment (e.g. uniforms, laboratory coats, gloves, safety glasses, masks, hats), as determined by Environmental Health Services, the Biosafety Officer, the Institutional Animal Care and Use Committee and the University Veterinarian (<http://www.ehs.colostate.edu/>, 491-6745)

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### Contacts

<i>University Veterinarian</i>	491-7194
<i>Animal Program Coordinator</i>	491-7184
<i>Laboratory Animal Resources</i>	491-7364
<i>Research Integrity and Compliance Review Office</i>	491-1553
<i>Biosafety Officer</i>	491-5740
<i>Occupational Health and Safety</i>	491-6729
<i>Workers Compensation</i>	491-4834

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