

ALL DOD ANIMAL USE PROTOCOLS MUST UTILIZE THIS DOD STANDARDIZED FORMAT. This protocol format only includes those requirements of the Animals Welfare Act, American Association for the Accreditation of Laboratory Animal Care, Federal Regulations, DoD Directives and DoD Policy relating to animal use. Any requirements that are specific to a given Service, Command, or locale (such as all budgeting information, local coordinating requirements, specific scientific review requirements etc.) should be added by each organization in front or behind this standardized format. Adding some information within the format is acceptable to meet local needs as long as the standard format is maintained. In other words, all of the labelled paragraphs and subparagraphs should remain in the same relative order with the added information being similar or complementary to the information requested. It is important to note that this standardized protocol format does not in any way prohibit local organizations from using any (or all) of their current animal use protocol. It does mandate that all of the information required in this DoD standardized format be answered as a part of the organization's animal use protocol in the order listed in this format.

THIS DOCUMENT IS INTENDED TO BE AN AID IN THE PREPARATION OF A DOD ANIMAL USE PROPOSAL. IT IS A COMPANION DOCUMENT TO AN IDENTICAL PROTOCOL FORMAT OR TEMPLATE THAT DOES NOT HAVE THE WRITTEN EXPLANATION FOR INDIVIDUAL PARAGRAPHS. THEY ARE DESIGNED TO BE USED ON A WORD PROCESSING PROGRAM, i.e., WordPerfect, WordStar, MicrosoftWord, WordPerfect for Macintosh, etc., SO THAT YOU ARE NOT LIMITED BY THE SPACE PROVIDED, AND SUGGESTED CHANGES OR MODIFICATIONS CAN BE QUICKLY AND EASILY MADE. USING A WORD PROCESSOR MAKES THIS FORMAT A "FILL-IN-THE-BLANKS" EXERCISE. THE EXPLANATIONS OR INSTRUCTIONS MAY BE BLOCKED OUT AND DELETED IF IT IS MORE CONVENIENT TO USE THIS FORM RATHER THAN THE OUTLINE AVAILABLE WITHOUT THE EXPLANATIONS. SPECIFIC RESPONSES REQUESTED IN THE FORMAT ARE A RESULT OF THE REQUIREMENTS OF THE ANIMAL WELFARE ACT (AWA), DOD REGULATIONS, OR ANIMAL WELFARE GUIDELINES. EACH PARAGRAPH SHOULD HAVE A RESPONSE. PORTIONS OF THE PROTOCOL FORMAT THAT ARE NOT APPLICABLE TO YOUR PARTICULAR PROTOCOL, i.e., NO SURGERY OR NO PROLONGED RESTRAINT, SHOULD BE MARKED N/A. IF SOPs OR OTHER DOCUMENTS ARE READILY AVAILABLE TO THE IACUC, THEY MAY BE REFERENCED TO ASSIST IN THE DESCRIPTION OF SPECIFIC PROCEDURES. IT IS CRITICAL THAT ONLY ANIMAL STUDIES OR PROCEDURES DOCUMENTED IN AN APPROVED PROTOCOL ARE PERFORMED IN THE ORGANIZATION. ADDITIONALLY, P.I.s OR OTHER ANIMAL USERS SHOULD KEEP ACCURATE EXPERIMENTAL RECORDS, AND BE ABLE TO PROVIDE AN AUDIT TRAIL OF THEIR ANIMAL EXPENDITURES AND USE THAT CORRELATES TO APPROVED PROTOCOLS.

PROTOCOL COVER SHEET: Requires a minimum of three signatures to include: the Primary Investigator, the individual responsible for scientific review and the Attending Veterinarian. In addition, the signature from the individual performing the statistical review on this cover sheet is recommended. If no signature block is present for a person who does the statistical review, then the following statement must be present on the protocol cover sheet. "A person knowledgeable in statistics has reviewed the experimental design." This Protocol Cover Sheet can also hold any additional information deemed necessary by the organization (Co- investigators, Department/Division Chief, Coordinating Departments, IACUC Chair, Biosafety Review etc.)

PROTOCOL TITLE:

PRINCIPAL INVESTIGATOR:

(Signature Required)

(Principal Investigator)

SCIENTIFIC REVIEW: Signature verifies that this proposed animal use protocol has received appropriate peer scientific review, and is consistent with good scientific research practice. (No response is required to the title paragraph of this section)

(Signature Required)

(Research Unit Chief/Directors signature)

ATTENDING/CONSULTING VETERINARIAN: (Example) The attending/consulting veterinarian has reviewed the protocol and was consulted in the planning of procedures that require veterinary input, i.e., an unalleviated pain procedure. In addition, the veterinarian/veterinary medicine department has assisted with coordination for veterinary support to the protocol. (No response is required to the title paragraph of this section)

(Signature Required)

(Attending/Consulting Veterinarian)

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(Statistician)

OTHERS: You may wish to add specific additional offices or signature blocks for individuals responsible for coordination or compliance issues pertinent to your facility or operation. (i.e. Co-investigators, Coordinating Departments, IACUC Chair, Biosafety Review etc.)

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CO-INVESTIGATOR(S):

I. NON-TECHNICAL SYNOPSIS: A brief, narrative description of the proposal or idea that is easily understood by non-scientists.

II. BACKGROUND:

A. Background: This should include a brief statement of the requirement or need for the information being sought. Lengthy explanations are not required. Typically, the "literature or the experience that led to the proposal will be briefly reviewed" (AR 70-18), and a description of the general approach should be provided. Unnecessary duplication of effort should be strictly avoided.

B. Literature Search: This search must be performed to prevent unnecessary duplication of previous experiments. A search of Federal Research in Progress (FEDRIP) and DTIC databases or their equivalent is required for DOD funded research. An additional search of the scientific literature (MEDLINE, GRATEFUL MED, MEDLARS, AWIC, etc.) is highly recommended.

1. Literature Source(s) Searched:

2. Date and Number of Search:

3. Key Words of Search:

4. Results of Search: Provide a narrative description of the results of the literature search(s).

III. OBJECTIVE\HYPOTHESIS: In non-technical terms, state the objective of this protocol, or the hypothesis to be accepted or rejected.

IV. MILITARY RELEVANCE: With regards to military needs and mission requirements, this paragraph should provide a brief and succinct military justification for the research. If applicable state the Science and Technology Objective (STO) that this work supports.

V. MATERIALS AND METHODS:

A. Experimental Design and General Procedures: Provide a "complete description of the proposed use of animals." This section should succinctly outline the formal scientific plan and direction for experimentation. If several experiments or sequential studies

are to be included in the protocol, description of the experimental design for each separate experiment should be contained in sub-parts to this section. The length and detail required in this section depends largely on the complexity of the study. However, **a clearly understandable description of the numbers of animals and their distribution into experimental groups is essential.** The number requested should be the minimum numbers necessary to complete the study, but must be sufficient to yield meaningful results. If too few animals are requested and statistical significance is not achieved, the animals will have been misused. Be certain to include animals necessary for controls or technique development, etc. If the design is complex, a summary table or flow chart showing the distribution of animals by experimental group should be included. **The total number of animals required for the study is listed in section V.B.4. It is critical that reviewers of this protocol are able to follow your reasoning and calculations for the number of animals required, and can verify that the experimental design clearly supports the number of animals requested.**

1. Experiment 1:
2. Experiment 2: (etc.)

B. Laboratory Animals Required and Justification:

1. **Non-animal Alternatives Considered:** Were alternatives to animal use considered? **No study using animals should be considered prior to the elimination of all reasonable possibilities that the question might be adequately answered using other than animal means, i.e., computer modeling, cell cultures, etc.**

2. **Animal Model and Species Justification:** It is important that you adequately justify that animals are necessary for attainment of the research/training objectives. Moreover, justify the selection of this particular animal model. Investigators should use the least sentient species that will permit the attainment of research objectives. Why was this particular animal chosen? Were there other animal models considered that are lower on the phylogenetic scale (e.g., mice instead of rabbits)? Is there a unique quality or usefulness about this species that warrants its selection for use?

3. **Laboratory Animals:** No response necessary to the title paragraph of this section.

a. Genus & Species:

b. Strain/Stock: If inbred or specialized animals are required, please use proper terminology.

c. Source/Vendor: Provide a preferred source for the animals. Procurement of animals from non-USDA licensed sources requires an exception to policy. Enter the source/vendors USDA license number if available.

d. Age:

e. Weight:

f. Sex:

g. Special Considerations: Specialized requirements for the research animals should be reflected here, i.e., SIV or herpes antibody free, Pasteurella free, etc.

h. Other:

4. Total Number of Animals Required:

(a) mice	320
(b) guinea pigs	175

All that is required in this section is the total number of animals to be used on the study. The number requested here should match exactly those described in para V. A., Experimental Design & General Procedures in the MATERIALS AND METHODS section. Keep in mind the number requested should be the minimum numbers necessary to complete the study, but must be sufficient to yield meaningful results. If too few animals are requested and statistical significance is not achieved, the animals will have been misused. Be certain to include animals necessary for controls or technique development, etc. If additional animals are needed due to technical or unavoidable circumstances, or to exploit a serendipitous finding, follow IACUC procedures for requesting approval for additional animals.

5. Refinement, Reduction, Replacement: The DoD is often required to provide specific examples of its alternatives initiatives. Does this protocol have any provisions that would qualify it to be identified as one that refines, reduces or replaces (3 R's) the use of animals? For example, does your study use statistical tests that require fewer animals, i.e., a modified LD50 test like Thompson & Weil, or are you using cell cultures, computer modeling or any other technique that will influence the numbers of animals required? Are you using animals lower on the phylogenetic scale? Please provide a short description of the features that you feel qualify the study as one that employs one of the "3 R's," or give a negative reply. No response is needed under the title paragraph of this section.

a. Refinement: The use of analgesia, or the use of remote telemetry to increase the quality and quantity of data

gathered or adjusted early endpoint for the animals are examples of refinements.

b. Reduction: Use of shared control groups, preliminary screening in non-animal systems or innovative statistical packages are examples of reductions.

c. Replacement: Non-animal systems that eliminate the use of animals are examples of replacement.

C. Technical Methods: These should be presented in sufficient detail, documented or referenced, so that the IACUC can adequately review the procedure and obtain a clear understanding of what is to be done, how the animal will be handled, and make a reasonable determination as to whether this proposed use of laboratory animals is in compliance with DoD regulations, guidelines, and federal law. No response is needed under the title paragraph of this section.

1. Pain: The law defines a painful procedure as one that would "reasonably be expected to cause more than slight or momentary pain or distress in a human being to which that procedure was applied, that is, pain in excess of that caused by injections or other minor procedures." **If a procedure involves pain or distress, the P.I. must consult with the attending veterinarian.** Respond N/A if the animals will experience "no pain or distress."

a. USDA (Form 18-3) Pain category:

This information is reported by the organization to the USDA on USDA Form VS 18-23. **The P.I. or primary user should estimate the number of animals that will be counted in each pain category.** There are many situations where there are animals in more than one category, i.e., control animals. If more than one species is requested in the proposal, reflect those animals in a duplicate table in this paragraph. **The total numbers reflected in these three categories should add up to the number and percent of animals requested for the entire protocol in para V.B.4.**

(1) **No Pain** _____ (#) _____ % (Column C)

Studies involving no pain or distress beyond that expected on a momentary nature such as would occur with an injection, a deep palpation, grooming activities, etc.

(2) **Alleviated Pain** _____ (#) _____ %
(Column D)

Procedures wherein anesthesia or analgesia will be administered to avoid or alleviate pain or distress. General anesthesia given for

surgical preparations, or the use of analgesia or anti-inflammatories would be examples for this category.

(3) Unalleviated Pain or Distress

_____ (#) _____ % (Column E)

Procedures where alleviation of pain or distress are contraindicated for some justifiable reason such as would confound the experimental results if drugs relieving pain were administered. Detailed justification for putting animals into this category is required below in para V.C.1.d.

b. Pain Alleviation: The attending veterinarian should be able to provide assistance in completing this section of the proposal.

(1) Anesthesia/Analgesia/Tranquilization: Describe the methods or strategies planned to alleviate pain or distress. If pain alleviation is planned, specify who will be administering the analgesics, anesthetics, or tranquilizers during the study. Provide agent, dosage, route & site, indication, needle size, etc.

(2) Paralytics: No use of paralytic agents without anesthesia is allowed unless scientifically justified by the P.I. and approved by the IACUC.

c. Alternatives to Painful Procedures:

(1) Source(s) Searched: e.g., AWIC, AGRICOLA, CAAT, MEDLINE, etc.

(2) Date of Search:

(3) Key Words of Search: e.g. Pain, surgery,

(4) Results of Search: Provide a narrative description of the results of the alternatives literature search. "Research facilities will be held responsible, if it is subsequently determined that an alternative to a painful procedure was available to accomplish the objectives of the proposed experiment." The Animal Welfare Act specifically states that the "P.I. must provide a narrative description of the methods and sources, e.g., the Animal Welfare Information Center, MEDLINE, LIFE SCIENCES ABSTRACTS, AGRICOLA, AND BIOSIS that he\she used to determine that alternatives to the painful procedure were not available." It is a requirement to perform the alternatives literature search and painful procedure justification even when animals are placed in the alleviated pain category (column D).

d. Painful Procedure Justification: Procedures

causing more than transient or slight pain that are unalleviated, must be justified on a scientific basis in writing by the P.I. The pain must continue for only the necessary period of time dictated by the experiment, and then be alleviated, or the animal humanely euthanized. This paragraph must be completed if there are any animals listed in either the alleviated (column D) or the unalleviated pain or distress (column E) category in para V.C.1. **The P.I. must consult with the attending veterinarian or his or her designee in the planning of both alleviated and unalleviated painful procedures, and state it here.**

2. Prolonged Restraint: Describe and justify in detail any prolonged restraint (greater than twelve hours) intended for use during the study, e.g., primate chairs, restraint boards, metabolism cages, etc. Also describe habituation procedures for the prolonged restraint. This section is not intended for short-term actions such as rabbit restraint for bleeding, etc. If there is prolonged restraint involved, who will be restraining the animals, and for how long?

3. Surgery: Major operative procedures on non-rodent species, i.e., rabbits, monkeys, etc., should be conducted only in dedicated facilities intended for that purpose, and operated and maintained under aseptic conditions. Non-major operative procedures & all rodent surgery do not require a dedicated facility, but must be performed using aseptic technique, i.e., surgical gloves, mask, sterile instruments. A major operative procedure is one that "penetrates and exposes a body cavity, or causes permanent impairment of physical or physiological function." The animal care unit personnel should assist in defining the requirements of this portion of the law if necessary. No response required under the title paragraph of this section.

a. Procedure: Describe in detail any surgical procedures planned.

b. Pre- and Postoperative Provisions: Detail the provisions for both pre- and postoperative care, including provisions for post-surgical observations. Also include the provider of that care, and the location for the postoperative care.

c. Location: Give the location\room # for the proposed surgical procedure.

d. Multiple Survival Surgery Procedures: If multiple major operative procedures on the same animal are intended, they must be adequately justified for scientific reasons by the P.I. in writing.

(1) **Procedures:**

(2) **Scientific Justification:**

4. **Animal Manipulations:** Any injections, sampling procedures, or other manipulations of the animals necessary for the execution of the study must be described if not listed in section V. List needle sizes, routes of injection or withdrawal and anatomical location, e.g. 21 ga needle, SQ, IM, femoral vein, jugular vein etc., or the proposed method so that a reasonable evaluation of the appropriateness of the procedure can be made. You may furnish the committee a reference or SOP to document a particular procedure in lieu of a detailed description. You may wish to rearrange the subparagraphs of this section to suit your protocol. No response is needed under the title paragraph of this section.

a. **Injections:** There is no need to duplicate specific information already provided in section V.C.1.b., the Pain Alleviation, anesthesia/analgesia section of the proposal.

b. **Biosamples:** Cerebral taps, blood sampling, etc. List amounts taken and method for sampling. Procedures performed or biosamples obtained during a necropsy need not be described here.

c. **Animal Identification:** Microchip, tattoo, ear tags, cage cards, etc.

d. **Behavioral Studies:** Fully describe any intent to use aversive stimuli, food or water deprivation, etc, that would impact upon the animals in this study.

e. **Other procedures:** EKG's, radiology, aerosol exposure, etc.

5. **Adjuvants:** List any adjuvants and your plan for their use. Provide dosages & route.

6. **Study Endpoint:** What is the projected end point or termination of the study for the animals? Is death, euthanasia, or recovery expected; and what is the specific plan for determining when the animal experimentation phase will be stopped? You should ensure that unnecessary pain or distress is prevented by carefully considering "When is the experimental question answered?" so that the animals can be removed from the study as soon as feasible. Explain the plan for the disposition of surviving animals. **You must specifically address and justify any proposed use of death as an endpoint.**

7. **Euthanasia:** Explain the plan for euthanasia of the animals at the completion of the study and who will perform the procedure. The AWA defines euthanasia as "humane destruction of an animal by a method that produces rapid unconsciousness and subsequent

death without evidence of pain or distress, or a method that utilizes anesthesia produced by an agent that causes painless loss of consciousness and subsequent death." The current AVMA guidelines for euthanasia must be followed. Exceptions to the AVMA guidelines will be considered by the IACUC on a case-by-case basis. Exceptions must be scientifically justified by the P.I. in writing. The attending veterinarian will assist in selecting the best method for euthanasia if requested.

D. Veterinary Care: Attending veterinary care of lab animals receives particular emphasis in the AWA. The attending veterinarian of your facility will assist P.I.s with preparing this section if requested. No response is necessary to the title paragraph of this subsection.

1. Husbandry Considerations: The law specifically states that animal housing and living conditions must be appropriate to their species, and contribute to their health and comfort. Describe husbandry or refer to SOP. If known, list the location the animals will be routinely housed and the length of housing requirement. Personnel in the animal care unit should be able assist P.I.s in the preparation of the protocol sections dealing with animal care issues.

a. Study Room: If stay exceeds 12 hours.

b. Special Husbandry Provisions: Micro-isolators, metabolic cages, etc.

2. Attending Veterinary Care: Will the animals be observed daily or more frequently, and by whom? What is the plan if the animal becomes ill or debilitated during the study and requires supportive therapy? Will the animal be euthanized if it becomes critically ill or comatose, and by whom (study endpoint adjustment)? Justification for not providing supportive care for clinically ill animals is necessary.

3. Enrichment Strategy: Written justification for restricting enrichment programs or activity programs of dogs, cats, or nonhuman primates must be provided.

a. Dogs: Do you have any reason to restrict activity programs for dogs on this protocol that might be implemented by the animal care unit to comply with federal welfare regulations. If yes, justify.

b. Nonhuman Primates: Do you have any reason to prohibit environmental enrichment or enhancement strategies that might be implemented by the animal care unit to comply with federal welfare regulations. If yes, justify.

E. Data Analysis: List the statistical test(s) planned or the strategy intended to evaluate the data.

F. Investigator & Technician Qualifications/Training: List those animal procedures or manipulations described in the protocol that will be performed by each investigator or technician, and their training or qualifications to perform these procedures. Personnel conducting the "hands-on" animal procedures described in the protocol must be identified and appropriately trained and qualified to perform that procedure. **This is NOT questioning the P.I.'s PROFESSIONAL qualifications to conduct the research, but rather a requirement that personnel actually performing the research animal manipulations are technically competent, and thus are not inflicting unnecessary pain, distress, or injury to an experimental animal due to inexperience or improper technique.** Contact your attending veterinarian for assistance with this requirement.

VI. Biohazard/Safety: Provide a list of any potential biohazards associated with this proposal, e.g., viral agents, toxins, radioisotopes, oncogenic viruses, chemical carcinogens, etc. Explain any safety precautions or programs designed to protect personnel from biohazards, and any surveillance procedures in place to monitor potential exposures.

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VII. ASSURANCES: The law specifically requires several written assurances from the P.I. It states that "research facilities will be held responsible if it is subsequently determined that an experiment is unnecessarily duplicative, and that a good faith review of available sources would have indicated as much."

(This section will state) As the Primary Investigator on this protocol I acknowledge my responsibilities and provide assurances for the following:

A. Animal Use: The animals authorized for use in this protocol will be used only in the activities and in the manner described herein, unless a deviation is specifically approved by the IACUC.

B. Duplication of Effort: I have made a reasonable, good faith effort to ensure that this protocol is not an unnecessary duplication of previous experiments.

C. Statistical Assurance: I assure that I have consulted with an individual who is qualified to evaluate the statistical design or strategy of this proposal, and that the "minimum number of animals needed for scientific validity are used."

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E. Training: I verify that the personnel performing the

animal procedures/manipulations described in this protocol are technically competent and have been properly trained to ensure that no unnecessary pain or distress will be caused as a result of the procedures/manipulations.

F. Responsibility: I acknowledge the inherent moral and administrative obligations associated with the performance of this animal use protocol, and I assure that all individuals associated with this project will demonstrate a concern for the health, comfort, welfare, and well-being of the research animals. Additionally, I pledge to conduct this study in the spirit of the fourth "R" which the DoD has embraced, namely, "Responsibility" for implementing animal use alternatives where feasible, and conducting humane and lawful research.

(Signature Required)

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B. Pathology Addendum: Optional information

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 - e. Weight:
 - f. Sex:
 - g. Special Considerations:
 - h. Other:
 4. Total Number of Animals Required:
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