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Institutional Animal Care and Use Committee (IACUC) Policy

DESIGNATED MEMBER REVIEW FOLLOWING FULL COMMITTEE REVIEW

1. Background

All IACUC members must have the opportunity to review applications for approval for research, teaching or testing involving animals. As such, all protocols are sent to every member for review and comment and members may ask for full committee review (FCR) of a protocol. If FCR is not requested, the protocols are scheduled for designated member review (DMR). If one request for FCR review of a protocol is received, the protocol is placed on the agenda for review at the next monthly meeting.

Following FCR review of a protocol, Public Health Service (PHS) Policy and the Animal Welfare Regulations (AWRs) allow the IACUC to take one of several different actions based upon the Committee's findings: the Committee may approve, require modifications (to secure approval), withhold approval, or table (defer) review of a protocol.

2. Policy

When a request for IACUC approval is reviewed by the full committee and requires substantive modifications, a quorum of members present at a convened meeting may decide by unanimous vote to use DMR subsequent to FCR. If one member does not agree with DMR, the investigator's response and the protocol must continue to be reviewed by FCR. An IACUC member may, at any time, request to see the revised protocol and/or request FCR of the protocol; all members may see the investigator's updated protocol and response in a-tune prior to DMR.

3. References and Regulations

United States Department of Health and Human Service, Office of Laboratory Animal Welfare, *Public Health Service Policy on Humane Care and use of Laboratory Animals*, National Institute of Health, Bethesda, MD, 2015.

United States Department of Agriculture, Animal Welfare Act Regulations, 9 CFR Part 2, Subpart C 2.31

“May an IACUC use designated member review (DMR) to review an animal study protocol subsequent to full committee review (FCR) when modifications are needed to secure approval?” *PHS Policy on Humane Care and Use of Laboratory Animals*, Frequently Asked Questions, http://grants.nih.gov/grants/olaw/faqs.htm#proto_19. July 19, 2022

Review of Proposals, *Institutional Animal Care and Use Committee Guidebook*, 2nd Edition, 2002.

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