

Clemson University
Institutional Animal Care and Use Committee (IACUC)

Policy Number: 2.3

Policy Title: Non-Clemson University Personnel Participating in Activities Covered by an AUP

Section 1: Purpose

The purpose of this policy is to define the requirements for personnel that are not employed by the University or enrolled in University classes, but will be participating in activities covered by an active, approved AUP.

Section 2: Scope

This policy applies to all approved and active AUPs.

Section 3: Policy

PI Responsibilities

- The Principal Investigator (PI)/Project Manager (PM) is responsible for reviewing with non-Clemson personnel, information contained in his/her approved Animal Use Protocol (AUP) under which the animal activities are described.
- The PI is responsible for ensuring all personnel are listed on their AUP either during initial review or added by amendment after approval. Personnel are not be allowed to participate in animal activities until approval is obtained from the IACUC.
- The PI is responsible for ensuring relevant training is provided to the non-CU participant.
- The PI is responsible for informing the non-Clemson participant on the procedure for reporting animal care and use concerns to the IACUC.

Qualifications and Training

- Qualifications of a non-Clemson participant will be evaluated by the review of a current curriculum vitae or suitable alternate document.
- Training provided by the PI must include animal welfare and zoonotic information relevant to the activities being performed. The training requirement may be satisfied by completing CU's animal welfare training program administered through CITI or by completing an IACUC approved alternative training plan.
- Technique specific training may also be required if the relevant skills are not evident in the CV review.

Medical Surveillance

- The non-Clemson participant is responsible to consult with their private or company's occupational health care professional for provision of personal medical supervision.

- The non-Clemson University participant must attest that he/she is knowledgeable regarding zoonotic diseases transmitted by the animal species being used in the activities.
- The non-Clemson University participant must agree to assume and accept personal liability for injuries or illness resulting from his/her participation in the animal activities.

Documentation

- The Non-Clemson participants must sign a Non-Clemson Personnel Form acknowledging their intention to comply with this policy.