



Albert Einstein College of Medicine

Access to Animal Housing Facilities Policy

I. Purpose

The purpose of this policy is to ensure, as much as possible, the comfort and safekeeping of animals used in research at Albert Einstein College of Medicine (Einstein).

II. Scope

This policy applies to all research experiments and programs at Einstein.

III. Policy

Members of the Institutional Animal Care and Use Committee (IACUC) of the Albert Einstein College of Medicine and veterinarians of the Institute for Animal Studies (IAS) have the responsibility and authority to inspect any animal laboratory at any time. This includes access to all animals and all laboratories hosting animals, including those which may be housed within a principal investigator's laboratory. If animals are housed in a laboratory for more than 12 hours, the Principal Investigator must provide a duplicate key to the laboratory to the IAS. During such an inspection, the IACUC members and IAS veterinarians will make every effort not to disturb in-progress experiments.

IV. Definitions

None.

V. Effective Date

Effective as of 20 February 2018.

VI. Policy Management and Responsibilities

Einstein's Institutional Animal Care and Use Committee (IACUC) is the Responsible Office under this Policy. The Institutional Official for the IACUC is the Responsible Executive for this policy. The IACUC Chairperson is the Responsible Officer for the management of this policy.

VII. Approved (or Revised)


Institutional Official _____ Date 7/20/23

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