



Dartmouth College

Animal Care and Use Program

Institutional Animal Care and Use Committee

### IACUC Policies and Procedures

**Title:** Reporting Perceived Deficiencies in Animal Care and Use at Dartmouth College

**Policy:** Dartmouth College is committed to the judicious use of animals in research and teaching. The Dartmouth Animal Care and Use Policy outlines the details of this commitment. The policy is available from the Animal Resources Center (ARC) and is posted on the ARC Website. Everyone using animals in research and teaching at Dartmouth is obligated to follow the Dartmouth Animal Care and Use Policy. As required by law, there is a mechanism in place to report suspected deviations from the Policy.

Anyone believing that there has been a violation of the Policy should report their concern about the alleged violation to the Institutional Animal Care and Use Committee (IACUC) through the IACUC Chair, ARC Veterinarian, or any member of the IACUC. IACUC member names are available through the ARC office or on the website. Reports can also be submitted through the ARC or IACUC websites, including the ability to remain anonymous. A report should be as specific as possible in describing the suspected deficiency. Those involved in investigating the concern will seek to maintain confidentiality of the source as much as is legally possible. Allegations of violations of the Policy will be reviewed by the IACUC. The individual reporting the suspected violation can be notified of the outcome of the investigation if requested.

No employee of Dartmouth College shall be discriminated against or be subject to any reprisal for reporting alleged violations of any Institutional Animal Care and Use Policies.