



Animal Welfare Program



Greetings, Lab Legends!

As we dive into the new semester, the research scene is bustling, and we're all set to conquer new scientific frontiers. Before you get too lost in the world of pipettes and petri dishes, we've got a few crucial updates to share. Don't worry- we're keeping it short, sweet, and maybe even a little sassy (because who says compliance can't be fun?).



Have Questions? We've Got Answers!

Each month, we'll feature a section dedicated to answering your most pressing questions about animal welfare in research. To make this as helpful as possible, we need your input! We have a special link to a poll located at the bottom of this email.

Feel free to drop any specific questions you have to our email (ORCR-IACUC@arizona.edu), no matter how big or small, or totally off-the wall.



Protocols: Are Yours Ready for the New Semester?

The semester's rolling in fast, and just like that syllabus you *swear* you're going to update, your protocol needs a little love too. Here's your checklist:

- **Personnel Updates:** Got new students or lab members? Had some people leave? Make sure the personnel tab in Cayuse is up to date. (No surprise guest appearances allowed).
- **Protocol Review:** Take a few minutes to double-check that your experiments are up to date and accurately reflect what is being performed in the lab. Outdated methods are SO last season.
- **Compliance Check:** Make sure all your training and lab records are in order – no one wants a surprise audit to interrupt their experiments.

Let's make this semester our best yet, with protocols tighter than our grant deadlines. If you need any help, have questions, or just want to share your favorite lab meme, you know where to find us.

Happy experimenting!



PI Exits: Don't Ghost Us!

If you're planning on bidding adieu to our university, please don't just pack up your lab and vanish into the night. We need to know when you're planning to leave so we can wrap up your protocols properly. That means:

- **Notify Us:** Drop us an email to let us know your departure plans. We promise not to cry...too much.
- **Animal Care:** Make sure all animals are transferred, rehomed, or accounted for. We can't have any furry friends left behind!
- **Close Your Protocols:** Tie up those loose ends! All protocols need to be officially closed before you take off.



August FAQ and POLL

Q: I've got a new lab member joining the team- what do I need to do?

A: Ah, the thrill of fresh brains in the lab! To get your new recruit officially on board, just follow these simple steps:

- **Grab the Personnel Amendment Form:** We've attached the most current version to this email. It's shiny, it's new, and it's ready for you!
- **Fill it Out:** This is your chance to make sure all the details are correct (include their netID PLEASE). When you're done, shoot that form over to our office email.
- **Training Verification (Optional, but Awesome):** Want to be a PI superhero? Check in with your new personnel to make sure they've completed all their training prior to submitting the personnel amendment form. You can find what they need under "Protocol Overview" ->

“Participation Requirements” in Cayuse. (Pro tip: We verify the training on our end too, so you’re never flying solo!)

Q: Do I really have to do all this?

A: Yes.

Topic Preference Poll: What Would You Like to Learn More About? ([View/vote in browser](#))

