About Us
The University of Pittsburgh Institutional Animal Care and Use Committee (IACUC) office supports the IACUC, the University’s animal programs, and researchers to ensure the appropriate care, use, and humane treatments of animals in research, testing, and education. The office also serves as a resource to faculty, investigators, technicians, students, staff, and administrators, providing guidance in fulfilling the obligation to plan and conduct animal-use procedures with the highest scientific, humane, and ethical principles. The office’s responsibilities and functions include:

- Facilitation of protocol review, including annual renewal and modification applications
- Semi-annual review of animal program
- Investigation of animal welfare concerns and regulatory compliance issues
- Post-approval monitoring reviews and random audits
- Grant/protocol comparison review
- Regulatory reporting to OLAW, USDA, AAALAC
- Maintenance of online training modules
- Supplementary training to research community
  - New investigator orientation
  - Formal and ad-hoc training and Q&A sessions
  - Webinars

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For questions regarding Animal Welfare or to Report an Animal Welfare Concern, contact Denise Capozzi.

For Protocol Review questions, contact the coordinator assigned to your protocol. If none have been assigned, contact the Protocol Review Manager at 412-383-2004.

For Grant Review questions, contact the Grants Coordinator at 412-383-2002.

To arrange ARO Training or New Investigator Orientation, contact Michael Kessler.

For questions regarding Training opportunities or IACUC-mandated training, contact the Training Coordinator at 412-383-1737.

For questions regarding Collaborations with Other Institutions, contact Michael Kessler or the Regulatory Coordinator at 412-383-2014.

For questions regarding Post-Approval Monitoring, contact the Compliance Coordinator at 412-383-1251.