

## Standard Operating Procedure

SOP Number: **02-18-5808**  
Service: **Research**  
Operating Section: **IACUC**  
Unit: **LUC/HSD**  
Title: **Post-Euthanasia Use of Animals**

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**Purpose:**

To provide IACUC oversight in the use of all animals whether alive or dead and to provide a simple mechanism to promote the use of euthanized animals for collection of samples for other protocols.

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**Procedure:**

- 1) Principal investigators requesting the use of animal carcasses must submit a completed protocol to the IACUC for approval.
- 2) Requests to use animal organs, tissues, or body fluids require completion of a post-euthanasia transfer request form submitted to the Clinical Veterinarian, CMF.
- 3) The following circumstances outline when the use of this form is appropriate.
  - a) A principal investigator wants to request tissues or other samples from animals euthanized as part of an active, approved IACUC protocol.
  - b) A principal investigator wants to request the use of animal tissues or other samples (from an animal euthanized as part of an active, approved IACUC protocol) for a teaching or training exercise.
  - c) A principal investigator wants to bring animal organs, tissues, or body fluids into the Institution from outside sources for any research training purpose.
- 4) Approval Mechanism:
  - a) The CMF staff will review the request and verify the animal number/assigned investigator,
  - b) The IACUC receives the form as an informational document at the next meeting. Approval is given at the CMF level.

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**Comments:**

None.

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**OFFICE USE ONLY:**

### APPROVALS

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