Standard Operating Procedure

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

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.

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.

Comments:
None.

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