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UToledo Animal Health Resources Attachment

UTOLEDO RESOURCES FOR ANIMAL CARE

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The UToledo animal care program uses *The Guide for the Care and Use of Laboratory Animals* (National Research Council, National Academy Press, Washington, D.C., 2010), as a basis for operation. The program is accredited by the Association for Assessment and Accreditation of Laboratory Animal Care International (AAALAC) and is in compliance with all municipal, state and federal laws and regulations governing animal research. The Institutional Animal Care and Use Committee (IACUC) is constituted with regard to and is operated in accordance with the USDA and HHS standards and policies. The animal care facility is a centralized resource called the Department of Laboratory Animal Resources (DLAR). It is directed by a full-time veterinarian, Lisa J. Root, D.V.M., M.S., DAACLAM. DLAR management and staff are responsible for the care of all teaching and research animals housed at UToledo, on a daily basis, including weekends and holidays. All incidents of illness or death are reported to the veterinary staff for proper follow-up. DLAR management and the veterinarian are available on-call 24/7, including after hours, weekends, holidays, and in case of an emergency.

On the Health Science Campus, the DLAR facilities are centralized in the Health Education Building with a satellite facility located in the Block Health Science Building. On the Main Campus, the DLAR facilities are centralized in the Wolfe Hall building with satellite facilities in University Hall, Health and Human Services, and the Lake Erie Center. DLAR maintains rooms, equipment and trained personnel for the maintenance of most common laboratory animal species. Cage washing, postmortem, and storage areas are available. Specialized facilities for survival surgery, intensive care and biohazard containment are available. Microbiological barrier facilities are available for hazard containment and for protection of rodents from murine pathogens. DLAR Facilities occupies approximately 50,000 square feet.