Use and Storage of DEA-Controlled Substances and Other Chemicals

Policy Statement

All chemicals used in animals must be sterile and/or of pharmaceutical or other suitable grade. These chemicals must be current and not expired.

Procedures

Storage:

All DEA-controlled substances must be kept in a locked cabinet, drawer, or box that is not readily transportable and is secured within a room that is locked and not accessible.
to the public.

Non-DEA-regulated chemicals and materials should be kept in close proximity to the animal surgery/handling area within the laboratory and must be labeled “For Animal Use,” making it clear that they are intended for animals.

Both DEA and non-DEA chemicals must be accessible during semi-annual IACUC inspections and post-approval monitoring.

**Discarding Chemicals:**

Expired DEA-controlled substances must be physically separated from those that are not expired within the locked cabinet, drawer, or box. At this time, the University is developing a mechanism to cover the disposal of unused and expired DEA controlled substances. For disposal guidance, contact the Chemical Safety Officer. Expired non-DEA chemicals must be properly discarded according to guidelines provided by Chemical Safety or relabeled “Not For Animal Use” and removed from the proximity of the animal surgery/handling area for later disposal.

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**Sanctions**

Failure to comply with IACUC policies may result in noncompliance reports to the Institutional Official, the Office of Laboratory Animal Welfare (OLAW), the U. S. Department of Agriculture (USDA), and/or the suspension of animal use privileges. In addition, the availability of sponsored research funds may be affected when an Investigator is found to be in violation of these policies.

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**Web Address for this Policy**

http://researchcompliance.iu.edu/iacuc/iub/biacuc_policies.html
Related Information

http://ehs.iu.edu/topics/laboratory-chemical-safety/index.shtml