Colorado State University
Institutional Animal Care and Use Committee
(IACUC)

Policy on Holding Protocol

Institutional Animal Care and Use Committee (IACUC) review and/or approval is required prior to acquisition of animals, as outlined in CSU IACUC Policy on the Use of Live Vertebrate Animals. If animals are acquired without the appropriate documentation, a protocol expires or there are insufficient animal numbers remaining on a protocol, the animals will be placed on the CSU Holding Protocol.

Research/teaching activities may not occur until the associated protocol has been approved.

Colony dogs are held on the University Holding Protocol (Kendall PI). A transfer request is required to use the dogs on other approved IACUC protocols.

Animals on the holding protocol are assigned a temporary holding ‘H’ protocol number, to indicate they are being held under the CSU Holding Protocol. It allows the investigators to view their census, invoices and perform allocations.

Once the IACUC has approved the protocol, the animals held on the ‘H’ protocol number are transferred to the approved protocol number.

Animals should not remain on the holding protocol for more than 60 days.

The administrative fees associated with this process are billed to the PI by LAR.

Institutional Endorsement
The “Policy on Holding Protocol” is approved by the IACUC on July 25, 2023 for recommendation to the Institutional Official supports the research, teaching and service mission of Colorado State University, and ensures that the welfare of animal subjects used therein will be protected. Therefore, as the Institutional Official, I declare the IACUC-recommended policy to be the institutional policy of the Colorado State University Animal Care and Use Program.

Christa Johnson
Institutional Official

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