TITLE: Request for Change to Approved Animal Numbers (Non-USDA)

PURPOSE: All IACUC SOP numbered 5xx describe the specific incidences where a protocol can be modified using the Request for Change procedure outlined in IACUC SOP 500.

To request a change in approved animal numbers.

REVIEW/REVISIONS: The IACUC will review and approve this SOP every six months. Modifications may be made at any time by full committee review (FCR) or designated member review (DMR). Updates to internet URLs or Unit names can occur without FCR/DMR.

DATE OF LAST REVIEW: 11/5/2015

PROCEDURES:

If the Request for Change meets the criteria below, it is eligible for veterinary consult and verification, by the process outlined in IACUC SOP 500.

- The Request for Change must pertain to a non-USDA regulated species
- Limits on animal numbers are for the three year protocol approval period and are not cumulative
- There is no change to approved animal activities
  - Replacement of animals lost as a result of reported adverse events
  - Additional animals needed to address breeding issues, e.g., cannibalism, maternal abandonment, small litter size, general poor breeding production
  - Addition of a new rodent strain (IACUC SOP 504)
  - Additional animals to address an insufficient group size
  - Additional test compound of the same class (IACUC SOP 512)
  - Additional group for post-mortem activities
  - No more than 30% of the number originally approved or 10,000 animals, whichever is smaller

JUSTIFICATION:

NOT-OD-14-126 Guidance on Significant Changes to Animal Activities describes the types of animal activities where the IACUC has the authority to establish and approve internal policies/procedures for the review and approval of protocol amendments.

USDA agreement with NOT-OD-14-126: http://grants.nih.gov/grants/olaw/educational_resources.htm#a_08212014