Clinical Trials IACUC Exemption Process Plain-Text Flowchart

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Review of CVM Activities with Client Owned Animals

Will you, your research team or your collaborator(s) conduct procedures on vertebrate animals?

If yes, proceed to “[Standard veterinary practice](#Standard_veterinary_practice).”

If no, proceed to “[Use of discarded materials](#Use_of_discarded_materials).”

Standard veterinary practice: Will animals undergo any clinical procedure that is not standard accepted veterinary practice for its clinical condition?

If yes, proceed to “[IACUC review](#IACUC_review).”

If no, proceed to “[Submit application](#Submit_application).”

IACUC review

IACUC review required. CU-VCSC or iACUC informs PI. PI completes eSirius application.

CU-VCSC reviews initial application. PI makes changes to application based on CU-VCSC review.

Once CU-VCSC review is complete, PI submits application to IACUC office.

At this stage, proceed to “[Expedited review](#Expedited_review).”

Expedited review: Is it considered eligible for expedited review?

If yes, commence designated member review and notification process (End of flowchart).

If no, commence standard review and notification process (End of flowchart).

Use of discarded materials: Will you only use biological materials that would be discarded after standard clinical treatment of the animal for its current condition?

This means that no extra material will be taken from the animal for the purposes of research, and that no procedures will be done on the live animal to acquire the material for research.

If yes, no application to the IACUC is required (End of flowchart).

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Submit application: After you have submitted your application, has CU-VCSC recommended an exemption?

If yes, proceed to “[IACUC agrees](#IACUC_agrees).”

If no, proceed to “[IACUC review](#IACUC_review).”

IACUC agrees: Does the IACUC office concur with the exemption?

If yes, the IACUC office will issue exemption letter to PI and reports exempt activity to the IACUC at its monthly meeting (End of flowchart).

If no, proceed to “[IACUC review](#IACUC_review).”

Examples of Samples that are Unused or Surplus

IACUC exempt if samples are unused or surplus – consent form stats, “I consent to the use of acquired specimens.”

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| **Example** | **Standard veterinary procedure?** | **Minimally invasive?** | **Required for clinical treatment of animal?** | **Requires IACUC review?** |
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| Blood drawn for clinical treatment – some extra drawn for research | Yes | Yes | No | Yes |
| Nasopharyngeal swab taken during clinical dental work | No | Yes | No – not a standard clinical device | Yes |
| In vitro tests using material collected from an animal’s eyes during clinical treatment | Yes | Maybe | Yes | No – Eligible for exemption |
| Students performing standard veterinary techniques for the clinical care of animals, not performed for the sole purpose of teaching | Yes | Maybe | Yes | No – Eligible for exemption |
| Diet study – Cats are fed two standard diets. No other supplements can be given and weekly physicals by the veterinarian | Yes | Yes | No | Yes |