



Spring IACUC Inspection Statistics

IACUC inspections for Spring 2008 are complete. Many of these figures show an improvement in lab conditions from Fall 2007 inspections. We thank investigators and lab staff for your cooperation during this busy time.

Total animal rooms/areas/sites: **809**
Active: 614 = **76%**

Of those that are active:

- **No deficiencies:** 469 = **76.4%**
- **With deficiencies:** 145 = **23.6%**
- **With multiple deficiencies:** 37 = **6.0%**

The following break-down illustrates the areas where deficiencies occurred:

- **Expired drugs and/or Expired solutions and/or supplies:** 54 = **8.79%**
- **Room needs repair** (rust, area needs to be sealed/painted, etc): **and/or Room not clean** (room cluttered/dirty): 39 = **6.35%**
- **No protocols available:** 31 = **5.05%**
- **Occ Health & Safety concerns** (unsecured gas tanks, non-sanitizable surfaces, etc): 28 = **4.56%**
- **Housing/animal issues:** 19 = **3.09%**
- **Policy Deviations:** 10 = **1.63%**
- **Anesthesia Machines Need Calibration:** 9 = **1.47%**

New Training Requirements

The IACUC has approved major changes to the training requirements for investigators and lab staff. These changes affect all researchers no matter species used or research being conducted. We switched some of our training over from LATA to AALAS last fall, and now require all training modules to be taken on AALAS Learning Library. Please see our website <http://www.iacuc.ufl.edu/training.htm> for details on how to register onto AALAS. We will be posting the specific training requirements in the near future.

Congratulations to Staff

Some exciting things have been happening for staff in the IACUC Office. **Jason Gomez**, IT Expert, is a proud father to son Cameron. **Jessica Emmons**, Program Assistant, has just become engaged to be married.

Congratulations and best wishes to our co-workers and their families!

New Visitor Certification Requirements

All visitors to UF who are participants on an animal care and use protocol and have animal contact are now required to obtain a UF ID. Please see complete information at <http://www.iacuc.ufl.edu/Policies/Visitor%20Certification%20Requirements%2062708.doc>.