Institutional Animal Care and Use Committee SOP 506

TITLE: Request for Change to Add an AVMA-Approved Euthanasia Method

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 add an AVMA-approved euthanasia method.

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: 05/04/2017

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 euthanasia method must be appropriate for the species and developmental stage, age and/or body weight
- The euthanasia method must not impact the scientific data obtained
- If the euthanasia method involves a hazard, it must already be covered under IACUC SOP 501 (e.g., isoflurane)

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