ANIMAL SUBJECTS SEMIANNUAL PROGRAM REVIEW

Requirements
The Public Health Service’s (PHS) Policy on Humane Care and Use of Laboratory Animals and the United States Department of Agriculture’s (USDA) Animal Welfare Regulations (AWR) require that the Institutional Animal Care and Use Committee (IACUC) review the institution’s program for humane care and use of animals and inspect all of the institution’s animal facilities at least once every six months.

Coordination
Office of Responsible Research Practices (ORRP) quality improvement specialists coordinate the animal care and use program review and facilities inspections including:
• Managing IACUC member availability
• Scheduling inspections with the inspection team, study team, and facility personnel
• Preparing inspection materials
• Preparing program and facility review materials and documents

Inspections
The inspection team conducts up to 40 inspection visits organized into two hour blocks every six months.
The inspection team consists of:
• One IACUC member
• One IACUC member/veterinarian
• One quality improvement specialist
Inspections are conducted across the Ohio State Columbus campus, Wooster campus, and five outlying research stations

Outcomes
Inspection locations are given the following determinations:
• Significant finding
• Minor finding
• Acceptable
ORRP quality improvement specialists:
• Record and communicate the inspection outcomes and coordinate further review, follow-up, and/or corrective action plans as needed
• Draft all final semiannual program and facility review documents for IACUC review

Program Report
The semiannual program and facility review report contains reporting on:
• IACUC review
• IACUC policies and SOPs
• Animal care and facilities
• For cause investigations
• USDA inspections
• Occupational health and safety
• Guide exceptions
• Inspection outcomes
The report is sent to the Institutional Official on behalf of the IACUC
The report is reviewed by the USDA and AAALAC International.

ORRP Staff: 2.3 FTEs
Inspection Locations: 595
Scheduling Notices: 1,131
Outcome Notices: 401
Inspection Findings: 165
Significant Findings: 3

Data from Semiannual Program and Facility Report: January - June 2018.