



INSTITUTIONAL POLICY: R-01

Category:	Research
Subject:	Use of Research Animals
Effective Date:	February 1, 1990
Last Revision Date:	August 20, 2010
Applicability	Faculty, Students, Staff, and all others involved in animal research

R 01-1. Authority

- 1.1 WV Code §18B-1-6
- 1.2 WV CSR §133-4

R 01-2. Assurance

- 2.1 The West Virginia School of Osteopathic Medicine hereby gives notice that it will comply with the U.S. Public Health Service Policy on Humane Care and Use of Laboratory Animals in a manner set forth within the WVSOM Articles of Assurance of Compliance, the most recent version (#A3238-01 accepted by the NIH Office of Laboratory Animal Welfare) of which is on file with the Institutional Official and the Office of General Counsel.
- 2.2 This assurance is applicable to all research, training, and biological testing activities involving live, vertebrate animals (excluding humans) conducted at this institution or at another institution as a consequence of the subgranting or subcontracting of an activity by this institution.

R 01-3. Policy

The West Virginia School of Osteopathic Medicine:

- 3.1 Will comply with all applicable provisions of the Animal Welfare Act and other Federal statutes and regulations relating to animals;
- 3.2 Is guided by the U.S. Government Principles for the Utilization and Care of Vertebrate Animals Used in Testing, Research, and Training; and
- 3.3 Acknowledges and accepts responsibility for the care and use of animals involved in activities covered by the attached assurance. As partial fulfillment of this responsibility, this institution will ensure that all individuals involved in the care and use of laboratory animals understand their individual and collective responsibilities for compliance with the attached assurance as well as all other applicable laws and regulations pertaining to animal care and use.