



Institutional Biosafety Committee (IBC) Policy For Animal Waste and Carcass Disposal

1.0 Purpose: The purpose of this University of Wisconsin-Madison Institutional Biosafety Committee (IBC) policy is to define procedures for the disposal of animal waste and carcasses.

2.0 Policy: Animals listed on a biosafety protocol have carcass and waste disposal procedures described in the IBC-approved biosafety protocol. Details and information on the agents and animal activities including waste disposal, cage changes and carcass disposal will be reviewed and approved by the IBC.

Animal Waste

Animal waste (bedding, feces, urine, etc.) may require disinfection/inactivation by methods as described in the biosafety protocol followed by disposal via trash or sanitary sewer. Disposal outside of these regular routes must be reviewed and approved.

Animal waste (bedding, feces, urine, etc.) which does not require disinfection/inactivation as described in the biosafety protocol, is disposed via trash or sanitary sewer. Disposal outside of these regular routes must be reviewed and approved.

Carcasses

Animal carcasses are disposed by incineration or via chemical digestion. Disposal outside of these regular routes must be reviewed and approved.

All animal carcasses from animals covered under Appendix Q (containing recombinant or synthetic nucleic acid molecules or a recombinant or synthetic nucleic acid molecule-derived organism) shall be disposed of to avoid its use as food for human beings or animals unless food use is specifically authorized by an approved Federal agency. (NIH Guidelines Appendix Q-I-B-1)

Invertebrates not subject to an IACUC animal protocol

Invertebrates not subject to a UW-Madison Institutional Animal Care and Use Committee (IACUC) protocol and listed on a biosafety protocol, will be handled according to the descriptions set forth in the IBC-approved biosafety protocol.

3.0 Related Documents/Resources:

- UW-Madison, Office of Biological Safety - Institutional Biosafety Committee (IBC) Handbook; found on the OBS website (www.biosafety.wisc.edu).
- U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, National Institutes of Health (NIH) - NIH Guidelines for Research Involving Recombinant or Synthetic Nucleic Acid Molecules, current version and/or any subsequent revisions.



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- U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and National Institutes of Health (NIH) - Biosafety in Microbiological and Biomedical Laboratories (BMBL), current version and/or any subsequent revisions.

7. Document Revisions:

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