



Survey



The Results Are In!

THANK YOU to everyone who completed the RARC communications survey! We learned [valuable information](#) about what you want from us. We will continue to include policy change links, ARROW tips, and other useful information in this quarterly newsletter.

In addition, we will update our [homepage](#) with timely news regularly.

Want to provide additional feedback? Email info@rarc.wisc.edu

Animal Policy Updates

A new [page on the RARC website](#) lists the policies that have changed over the last 18 months. This page is accessible from the RARC home page as well as the "Policies" tab at the top of our website. Going forward, notices of new regulations or policy changes will appear on our home page and alert emails as appropriate.

ARROW Help and Tips

Copy and Paste

You can copy and paste veterinarian-approved anesthetics, analgesics, and euthanasia descriptions into your protocols using two handy resources:

- [Anesthesia and Analgesia Formulary](#) and
- our database of [Species-Specific Euthanasia](#)

New ARROW Tip

Find easy instructions on how to add and delete people and funding sources from your protocol. See the new Tip for "How to Make Personnel and Funding Changes" on the [ARROW Tips and FAQ page](#).

Writing a Grant?

Letters of Support

Will you be using the RARC mouse breeding core or pathology services? Would a letter of support strengthen your application? If so, RARC can provide you with a letter detailing the expertise and resources we offer to include with your grant application. Contact [Jody Peter](#) for breeding core support and [Annette Gendron](#) for pathology services support.



New NIH Requirements

Consideration of biological variables and authentication of biological resources now require greater attention in NIH grant applications ([see the NIH notice](#)). RARC veterinarians and pathologists are knowledgeable

about unique biological variables in laboratory animals, and the use of biological resources such as cell line authentication (see below). If you would like a veterinarian to review portions of your grant or would like help with wording for consideration of biological variables in laboratory animals, please [contact](#) your Senior Program Veterinarian.



Prevent Identity Theft: Authenticate Your Cell Lines!

Are your cell lines pretending to be something they're not? We can help you prepare for the new NIH requirements for certifying biologics. For a [SPECIAL OFFER](#) to authenticate your cell lines please see our website!

IDEXX will establish a genetic profile for your key biologics using STR markers. They will provide you with a comprehensive analysis and data interpretation, and even help you develop a contamination recovery plan, if needed.

Visit the [RARC Comparative Pathology webpage](#) for details!

Contacting Vet Staff

Veterinary staff contact information is only visible on the RARC website after you LOG IN with your NetID. If you need to contact a veterinarian or veterinary technician during business hours, please log in and click the [Contacts](#) tab. Outside of normal business hours, the veterinarian-on-call number is 608-262-2122.



Fact or Fiction?

"The care staff in my animal facility work for RARC"

FICTION! Unless you have mice in the [RARC breeding core](#), your animal research technicians *do not work for RARC*. The hard-working people who provide daily care for your animals in animal facilities across campus are employed by your college/school. The veterinarians and veterinary technicians, however, are RARC employees.



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