AAALAC is coming!
This fall, AAALAC International will visit the UW-Madison research animal program. AAALAC International is a private, nonprofit organization that accredits institutions using research animals worldwide. A site visit team will review the School of Medicine and Public Health, the School of Veterinary Medicine, and the research animal program overseen by the Office of the Vice Chancellor for Research and Graduate Education. Specific dates for the site visit have not been announced, but it could take place any time between Labor Day and Thanksgiving. RARC staff will visit labs in these three schools in late summer to distribute information about the visit.

Keep Your Animal Emergency Contact Information Current
Laboratory animal cage cards should include phone numbers and/or email addresses for the people in your lab who are responsible for them. If veterinary staff can’t reach lab staff for input, they will decide on their own how to manage an animal showing signs of pain or distress.

ARROW Tips
How to avoid page validation errors
You won’t be able to leave a page in ARROW until you have completed all fields marked with a red asterisk (*). These are required fields. You can temporarily mark the fields with a placeholder such as “XX” or a note to yourself: “remember to fill this out!” or “text needed here!”

If you are on a page without the red asterisks, you can use ARROW’s Jump Around feature at the top of the page to leave a page that is temporarily incomplete. Remember to save your work before jumping around.

When you complete a checklist (such as the Substance Administration Checklist) the system creates additional pages based on what you enter in the checklist. For example a “euthanasia substance” page is created when the Euthanasia Substance box is checked on the main checklist. You can use the Jump
Animal Research Technician Wins University Staff Recognition Award

The University Staff Awards Selection Committee selected Mardoqueo Alas Funes of the Laboratory Animal Resources unit in the School of Medicine and Public Health for one of eight University Staff Recognition Awards this year. Mardoqueo is known to go above and beyond the call of duty, and can be counted on to help whenever it is needed. Congratulations Mardoqueo!

Controlled Substance Guidance

RARC has a wealth of information about ordering, storing, and using controlled substances, as well as how to obtain the proper state and federal authorizations. Visit our website for information and instructions.

Questions? Comments? Email the RARC Newsletter team at newseditor@rarc.wisc.edu

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