

# ANIMAL CARE AND USE PROGRAM

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## Policy Statement

As an institution committed to the creation of new knowledge through research, The Johns Hopkins University (“University” or “JHU”) believes that excellence in research and teaching requires excellence in our animal care and use program. Animals that are used in research and teaching at the University are covered by the Johns Hopkins University Animal Care and Use Program (“Program”), and oversight of the Program with respect to compliance with applicable laws, regulations and agency guidance is the responsibility of the Johns Hopkins University Animal Care and Use Committee (“ACUC” or “Committee”). The Program is the ultimate responsibility of the President of the University, who has delegated responsibility for the Program to the Vice Provost for Research, who serves as the Institutional Official, as defined below. The primary oversight responsibilities in the Program rest with the Institutional Official (IO), the Attending Veterinarian (“AV”), and ACUC, all of which are defined below. Together they establish policies and procedures, ensure regulatory compliance, monitor Program performance, and support high-quality science and humane animal use. This policy establishes the key roles and authority consistent with the JHU Assurance document filed with the Office of Laboratory Animal Welfare (“OLAW”), with the terms of the JHU registration with the US Department of Agriculture under the Animal Welfare Act (“AWA”) where applicable, and with the accreditation requirements of AAALAC International.

## Full Policy

The full policy (<https://policies.jhu.edu/doc/fetch.cfm/C5yxDfrs/>) can be found in the JHU Policy and Document Library.