

AAALAC Blurb:



AAALAC Site Visit 2022: Continued Full Accreditation

With great appreciation to researchers, veterinarians, APLAC members, EH&S, and RCO, we announce that AAALAC has finalized their review of Stanford University's animal care and use program and granted **Continued Full Accreditation**.

Below, you will see their comments regarding the recent Site Visit:

The AAALAC International Council on Accreditation has reviewed the report of the recent site visit to Stanford University, Stanford, California. The Council commends you and the staff for providing and maintaining a high quality program of laboratory animal care and use. Especially noteworthy were the enthusiastic, cordial, knowledgeable and committed staff; the engaged Institutional Animal Care and Use Committee (IACUC) with active nonaffiliated members; the strong administrative support, evidenced in part by well-maintained facilities and new equipment; the clean, well maintained animal rooms and appearance of well cared for animals; the creation of a Veterinary Service Center (VSC) Research Compliance Coordinator position to oversee Environmental Health and Safety training and compliance; the isoflurane survey conducted by an industrial hygienist that resulted in visually appealing and informative posters; the impeccable cleanliness and organization in the Clark building imaging core; the environmental enrichment for all species, especially noteworthy for novel species such as quail and frogs; the individual intra-operative and postoperative monitoring records for rodent species; the Survival Surgery Quality Assurance Program and the Rodent Survival Surgery Post Approval Monitoring Program; the workshops offered by VSC staff; and the detailed training tracking system for VSC staff and for IACUC mandatory training requirements. The Council is pleased to inform you that the program conforms with AAALAC International standards as set forth by the *Guide for the Care and Use of Laboratory Animals*, NRC 2011. Therefore, **FULL ACCREDITATION** shall continue.

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