Chemical Standard Operating Procedure for *in vivo* studies with Tamoxifen injections

This document was created as a template for the administration of Tamoxifen injections into rodents. This SOP template provides general guidance on the minimum expectations for laboratories when working with Tamoxifen injections. It is the responsibility of the research team to provide training and guidance on the lab-specific requirements for their experiments and document them in this SOP. **The SOP must be attached to the IACUC protocol and made available to Animal Care Services staff upon request.**

The Investigator and Laboratory Staff are required to notify Animal Care Services **2 business days prior to the start** of any experiments involving toxic, hazardous, or potentially hazardous chemical in animals.

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1. **THIS STANDARD OPERATING PROCEDURE (SOP) IS FOR ANIMAL WORK INVOLVING:**

   - Chemicals used in animals
     - Examples: Perfusions, toxic or hazardous drugs, pesticides, reproductive toxins.
   - Investigational and/or Novel Compounds with limited, or no toxicity data available
     - Examples: Pharmacokinetic studies
   - Nanoparticles
     - Examples: Iron oxide nanoparticles, etc.

2. **RISK IDENTIFICATION:** *Identify potential safety hazards.*

   - Carcinogen
   - Sensitizer
   - Irritant
   - Acute Toxicity – Harmful
   - Acute Toxicity – Fatal Single Dose
   - Germ Cell Mutagen
   - Reproductive Toxicity
   - Target Organ Systemic Toxicity: Single Exposure
   - Target Organ Systemic Toxicity: Repeated Exposure
   - Other: pregnant women, lactating women or women who are attempting to conceive are advised not to handle tamoxifen or contaminated cages; Tamoxifen is a selective estrogen receptor modulator (SERM) and represses actions of estrogen or have pro-estrogen effects.
### 3. EH&S Training Requirements

List the general and laboratory-specific training required.

- ☒ User Laboratory Training
- ☒ Hazardous Waste Management Training
- ☐ Other
- ☐ Other

### Procedures for Handling and Disposing Equipment and Animals Administered a Chemical Hazard

4. Outline the process for transporting toxic, or hazardous, chemicals/drugs to Animal Care Services (ACS) Rooms, include the packaging information. Highlight the steps with the highest hazards:

- Containers and bottles must be labeled.
- Transport chemicals in a non-breakable, hard sided container within a secondary container lined with absorbent material.
- Container must be labeled with the PI’s name and contact information.
- Every effort should be made to only transport amount of chemical needed away from the lab. For example, syringes should be prefilled in a certified chemical fume hood in the lab and only the amount needed for the day’s injections will be transported to ACS spaces.

5. Transportation of Animals Exposed to Chemicals

If applicable, outline the steps to transport animals administered chemicals to and from locations. Include the packaging and location information. *Enter the information below the line.*

Transportation of animals should be limited between administration and the first cage change, 72 hours post administration. If they must be moved before the clear date has past and a cage change has occurred, they must be transported in their home cage, within a secondary container (e.g. sterilite bin) that contains small airholes, and placed on a cart.

6. What Engineering Controls Will Be Used to Minimize Exposures to These Hazards in Animal Care Service Rooms? See Rodent Housing Procedures & Practices

- ☒ Biosafety Cabinet
- ☒ Animal Transfer Station
- ☐ Static caging
- ☐ Negative pressure ventilated caging
- ☒ Positive pressure ventilated caging
7. **What Personal Protective Equipment is required during cage checks and handling of animals after administration?** See *Rodent Housing Procedures & Practices*
   Supplied by ACS: select all that apply
   - ☒ Gown
   - ☐ Boufant Cap
   - ☒ Face shield
   - ☐ Goggles (not supplied by ACS)
   - ☒ Surgical mask
   - ☐ Gloves
   - ☒ Double gloves
   - ☐ N-95 respirator (not supplied by ACS)
   - ☐ Other: Click or tap here to enter text.

8. **What Personal Protective Equipment is required during cage changes and cage dumping after administration?** See *Rodent Housing Procedures & Practices*
    Supplied by ACS: select all that apply
    - ☒ Gown
    - ☐ Boufant Cap
    - ☒ Face shield
    - ☐ Goggles (not supplied by ACS)
    - ☒ Surgical mask
    - ☐ Gloves
    - ☒ Double gloves
    - ☒ N-95 respirator- For dumping cages (not supplied by ACS; see [Steps for Respirator Use](#))
    - ☐ Other: Click or tap here to enter text.

9. Are hazardous materials excreted by animals?
   - ☒ Yes
   - ☐ No
   - ☐ Unknown

   If yes, in:
   - ☒ Urine
   - ☒ Feces
   - ☐ Other: Click or tap here to enter text.

   Clear Date (if applicable): 72 hours post final administration
10. If hazardous materials are excreted by animals, explain how animals and cages are handled
   - Contaminated cages changed by laboratory staff
   - Contaminated cages changed by ACS

11. If hazardous materials are excreted, how will the bedding and waste be labeled prior to disposal? See Rodent Housing Procedures & Practices
   - Not Applicable
   - Chemical; Non-Regulated Waste for incineration
   - Chemical; Regulated Waste for disposal through EH&S Hazardous Waste
   - Nanoparticle; Non-Regulated Waste for incineration
   - Nanoparticle; Regulated Waste for disposal through EH&S Hazardous Waste
   - Other:

12. How animal carcasses are be disposed of?
   - Incineration
   - Other: Click or tap here to enter text.

**APPROVAL**

Standard Operating procedures must be approved by the Principle Investigator.

*PI (name, signature, date)*

Comments
Please complete the following section as part of the SOP preparation procedure.

The following completed label must be printed and used to identify cages and racks holding animals exposed to chemical agents. The procedures described in this SOP must be discussed with the facility manager prior to administration of chemicals to animals:

Label to be placed on rack holding the cages housing animals exposed to chemical agents

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<td>PI: ____________________________</td>
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<td><strong>Agent:</strong> Tamoxifen______________</td>
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<td>☑ Chemical  □ Novel agent  □ Nanoparticle</td>
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<td><strong>Disinfectant:</strong> ☑ Virkon-S 1%</td>
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<td>□ Bleach  □ Other</td>
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<td><strong>Date of administration:</strong> __________</td>
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<td><strong>Clear Date (if applicable):</strong> 72 hours</td>
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<td><strong>Housing:</strong> ☑ positive ventilation</td>
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<td>□ static  □ Negative ventilation</td>
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<td><strong>Cage card #’s:</strong> __________</td>
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<td><strong>Carcass disposal:</strong> ☑ Incineration</td>
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<td><strong>Additional information/Requirements:</strong> (e.g. safety sharps recommended, may return to ABSL-1 housing, etc.)</td>
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<td><strong>Must handle in Biosafety Cabinet?</strong></td>
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<td><strong>Who will change cages?</strong></td>
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<td><strong>Required PPE:</strong></td>
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<td>☑ Yellow gown  ☑ N-95 respirator</td>
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