

OFFICE OF LABORATORY ANIMAL CARE

## **Working Instructions**

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## **PROCEDURE**

All work instructions must be demonstrated by the trainer and performed by the trainee.

- Necropsy
  - a. Perform necropsy in the appropriate room with adequate PPE (minimum lab coat or gown and gloves).
  - b. Save any tissues that may be used for further histopathologic evaluation in 10% buffered formalin in an appropriate container with a tight-sealing lid.
    - Follow all safety measures when handling formalin.
  - c. Record necropsy findings in the Necropsy log.
    - This document is in Google Drive under the title "OLAC Necropsy Log".
    - Create a new tab for each calendar year.
    - Complete all relevant information for the necropsy case.
    - A case number is required only when necropsied tissues are saved in formalin.
- 2. Formalin fixed tissues
  - Log any tissues saved in formalin using the physical Fixed Tissues & Histopathology Log.
  - b. A printed hard copy should be placed near the storage area for formalin fixed tissues.
    - A log template is saved in the Google drive under the title "Fixed Tissues & Histopathology Log".
    - Assign each set of formalin fixed tissues a case number, in the format XX-YYY, where XX are the last two numbers of the current year, and YYY is a sequential number starting from 001.
  - c. Apply a sticker with Case #, PI Name, Species, and Date to the jar(s) of formalin fixed tissues.

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- d. Store labeled formalin fixed tissues in designated hood.
- e. Update Fixed Tissues & Histopathology Log as necessary (ex: when tissues are sent out for histopathology).

## REFERENCE DOCUMENTS

REVISION HISTORY						
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