# Sample IACUC Review Checklist

## I. All Protocols

- ✓ Does the protocol meet basic standards for scientific merit?
- ✓ Are the objectives of the proposed research clear?
- ✓ Are the procedures clearly described?
- ✓ Are experimental endpoints and duration of experiments clear?
- ✓ Are the effects on the condition of the animals clearly stated?
- ✓ Is the justification for the number of animals clear and logical?
- ✓ Are alternatives to animal use and refinements of procedures documented?
- ✓ Are the methods of euthanasia appropriate?

## II. As Required

- ✓ If alternative housing and husbandry methods are proposed, are they acceptable and justified?
- ✓ If pain relief would be withheld, is the scientific justification adequate?
- ✓ If multiple survival surgery is proposed, is the scientific justification adequate?
- ✓ If biohazardous material use is proposed, are appropriate measures described for handling?
- ✓ If animals may become seriously ill or debilitated, are criteria for interventional euthanasia defined?

## III. Veterinary

- ✓ Are the proposed anesthesia and analgesia appropriate?
- ✓ Are there refinements to the procedures which you would like the Investigator to consider?
- ✓ Do you anticipate complications to the procedures not considered by the Investigator?
- ✓ Are post-procedural care and observation adequate?