Policy on Re-use of Animals March 26, 2018

The re-use of teaching or research animals which have previously undergone invasive experimental procedures is not permitted. Animals may be re-used if their initial experimental use was non-invasive and did not materially affect the animals’ well-being, for example, unused breeding animals or animals which have been used in behavioral or observational studies which do not include the induction of pain or stress. Typically this includes animals used on protocols with a USDA pain category of B or C. Agricultural animals may be reused in multiple teaching protocols if the protocols involve only procedures that are normally performed in routine husbandry or veterinary care. Cows that have undergone a fistulation procedure should be evaluated as indicated below.

Proposals to re-use animals on protocols with a USDA pain category of D or E should be addressed on a case-by-case basis in consultation with the Attending Veterinarian.