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Dear PIs,

**Monitoring by PIs - keep at it**

It has been noted that there have been frequent instances of researchers allowing for their animals to exceed their approved humane endpoints (as in the protocol), or requesting veterinarian approval to delay euthanasia when criteria of humane endpoint had been met. This affects animal welfare and also is non-compliant with regulations. Please be reminded that as PIs, the onus is on you to monitor your animals regularly and ensure both humane and experimental endpoints, as in the approved protocols, are followed.

Please ensure your team members have read and are familiar with all aspects of your approved protocol including humane and experimental endpoints, and ensure that you and your team members monitor your animals with appropriate frequency, and follow the monitoring procedures (e.g. weighing animals, tumour measurement, etc.), as approved in your protocol.

In addition, any changes of criteria of humane endpoint, or experimental end-point must be reviewed and approved by IACUC.

**CM website - for helpful research pointers**

You are encouraged to visit the CM website for information which may be very helpful to your research. The attached poster provides details.

**Amendment required for those working in non-NUS facilities - don't overlook this**

Please submit an amendment to the IACUC Office if you have existing personnel working or intending to work in non-NUS animal facilities, if this is not already done.

Thank you.

**IACUC Office  
(Transmitted via email)**