

# Survival Surgery Checklist

For use during semi-annual Quality Assurance visits by UCI Veterinarians

PI: \_\_\_\_\_

IACUC Protocol #(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Date of visit: \_\_\_\_\_

Performed by: \_\_\_\_\_

Lab members present: \_\_\_\_\_

Yes      No

- Does IACUC protocol(s) adequately describe proposed procedures, including appropriate anesthesia and analgesic use, aseptic technique, surgical procedure, & post-op monitoring & care?
- Are procedures performed described in protocol(s)?
- Are all members performing surgery adequately trained? Is training appropriately documented?
- If using gas anesthesia, is equipment maintained properly? Is WAG properly managed?
- Are all drugs within current dates? Are they properly prepared and stored?
- Is surgical space adequate, including cleanliness?
- Are surgical & anesthetic records adequate?
- Is post-op monitoring occurring adequately and records indicate so?
- Is appropriate aseptic technique being used, including use of sterile gloves, proper animal preparation, instrument prep and use, & appropriate draping?
- Is eye lubrication being used?
- Are animals being kept warmed during and after surgery?
- Are any ancillary methods used to increase animal comfort post-op used, such as moistened food and/or soft bedding?
- If single housed post-op, are animals group housed after suture removal if possible?
- Are skin sutures removed 10-14 after surgery if survival is over 28 days?
- Have any complications occurred in past? If so, describe \_\_\_\_\_