STATE OF HAWAII  
UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII  
UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII AT MANOA  
OFFICE OF THE CHANCELLOR  
LABORATORY ANIMAL SERVICE  

FUNCTIONAL STATEMENT  

RESPONSIBILITY AND MISSION OF LABORATORY ANIMAL SERVICE (LAS)

Laboratory Animal Service is charged with administering the Program of 
Humane Care and Use of all vertebrate animals used for research, training and 
other activities by the University of Hawai‘i at Manoa, and other University 
programs. In addition, LAS operates the animal facilities involved in biomedical 
research and training on the UH Manoa campus. LAS provides these services in 
accordance with all Federal, State and local laws and guidelines.

Objectives

1) To provide appropriate and well cared for animals for those research and 
   training programs for which they are needed.

2) To conform to all Federal, State, and local laws, and guidelines in use of 
   animals in research and training.

3) To provide areas conducive and stimulating to biomedical research and 
   training.

4) To plan for changes in facilities that may be needed as research goals 
   expand, contract, or deviate in direction and to keep its facilities in 
   compliance with current regulations governing the care and use of 
   laboratory animals.

5) To provide guidance, help and support for investigators utilizing laboratory 
   animals.

6) To provide training for principal investigators, research technicians and 
   students in proper laboratory techniques, normal physiology, certain 
   peculiarities of animal species and manipulation of animals.

7) To provide training in the area of public health policy and the Animal 
   Welfare Act and other Federal, State, and local regulations governing the 
   use of animals in research and teaching.