

## University of Hawaii at Manoa

Laboratory Animal Service

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FUNCTIONAL STATEMENT
For Organizational Chart XVII

RESPONSIBILITY AND MISSION OF THE LABORATORY ANIMAL SERVICE (LAS)

The Laboratory Animal Service is charged with providing housing, husbandry, and health care for all vertebrate animals used by the University of Hawaii at Manoa. It provides this service in accordance with all State and Federal laws.

## Objectives

- 1) To provide appropriate and well cared for animals for those research and training programs for which they are needed.
- 2) To conform with all State and Federal rules, laws, and recommendations in use of animals in research and training.
- 3) To provide areas conducive and stimulating to biomedical research and education.
- 4) To plan for changes in facilities that may be needed as research goals expand, contract, or deviate in direction.
- 5) To allow for the use of vertebrate animals with a minimal of bureaucracy while insuring care of the animals involved.
- 6) To provide guidance, help and support for investigators utilizing laboratory animals.
- 7) To provide training for research technicians and students in proper laboratory techniques, normal physiology, and certain peculiarities of the animal species.

The University of Hawaii at Manoa is committed to housing, caring, and using animals appropriately. Accepting that animals must be used for the betterment of mankind, the LAS is charged with the responsibility for safekeeping the animals in our charge.

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