

## **Anesthesia**

### **Item 1 – Use of Ether Anesthesia**

The Institutional Animal Care and Use Committee (IACUC) will generally not approve ether as an anesthetic for animal studies at SUNY Upstate due to published concerns over:

- Irritation of mucosal surfaces
- Induction of pulmonary edema
- Flammability and explosion risk

Exceptions to this policy will only be considered with overwhelming scientific justification.

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