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**Location:** Queen's University

**Purpose:** The purpose of this Standard Operating Procedure (SOP) is to describe the procedures surrounding pilot studies.

- 1. Introduction and Definitions:** Both the CCAC and the UACC encourage the use of pilot studies when new approaches, methods or products are being tried, before approving new, large-scale protocols.

Pilot studies are defined as AUPs where the outcome of what is being proposed is generally unknown. This could include the determination of a half-to define statistical variability which will enable a full study to be warranted. The results of the study should also be used to determine well as the experimental endpoints for any future studies.

**Abbreviations:** University Animal Care Committee **UACC**, Principal Investigator **PI**,



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program. Standalone peer review is however required if the pilot study explores a new research direction that is not covered within the context of an existing peer-reviewed research program.

**Notes:**

**References:**

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