Acquisition of Animals from Unapproved Suppliers

**Summary/Purpose:** Acquisition of animals from unapproved suppliers without approval.

Acquisition of animals from unapproved research animal suppliers is not allowed. Such suppliers might include, but are not limited to:

1. Pet stores
2. Independent breeders
3. Animal hospitals and clinics
4. Farmers and ranchers
5. Local veterinarians
6. Individuals

Justification for acquisition of species which are not readily available from approved commercial vendors should be included in the investigator’s protocol application.