I. Background and Purpose
UCSD requires a Principal Investigator (PI) to be named for each protocol. The Principal Investigator has the authority and responsibility for the animals used on the protocol, the training of personnel on the protocol, and the record-keeping and reporting required by the protocol, as described in PPM 100-6.

II. Who Should Read This Policy
All personnel requiring PI status

III. Definitions
N/A

IV. Policy
1. Eligibility to serve as a Principal Investigator on an animal use protocol shall be the same as the University’s requirements for eligibility to be a PI on a grant (PPM 150-10).

2. An approval for an exception must be approved by the appropriate Vice Chancellor prior to eligibility to be a Principal Investigator on an animal use protocol.

V. Related Documents

| PPM Section 150-10 | PPM 150-10 |

VI. Additional Information

*From PPM 150-10:* “On or before the start date of a proposed project, the Principal Investigator must have formally accepted an appointment at UCSD in an eligible title, or qualify by exception approved by the Vice Chancellor for Research as noted below.
Eligible Academic Appointees

Academic appointees who currently hold a title in the following groups are automatically eligible by virtue of appointment to submit proposals for extramural support of research, training, or public service contracts or grants, subject to conditions, restrictions, and review procedures established by the Chancellor:

1. Members of the Academic Senate:
   - Professor - all ranks
   - Professor in Residence - all ranks
   - Professor of Clinical X - all ranks but instructor
   - Research Professor
   - Professor Emeritus - all ranks
   - Senior Lecturer and Lecturer with Security of Employment
   - Acting Professor and Acting Associate Professor
     (but not Acting Assistant Professor)
   - University Librarian (but no other librarians)
   - Registrar and Chief Admissions Officer
   - Vice Chancellor
   - Chancellor

2. Salaried appointees in the Adjunct Professor series, with the exception of the Instructor rank.

3. Appointees salaried at 50% or more of full time in the Clinical Professor series, with the exception of the Instructor rank.


An individual for whom a department proposes an appointment in one of the above series (1-4) requires a request for an exception prior to appointment, which normally is approved by the Vice Chancellor for Research. If the individual has accepted the appointment in writing, no PI exception is required.