



STANDARD OPERATING PROCEDURE #415
**HUMANE INTERVENTION POINTS FOR
RODENT CANCER MODELS**

1. PURPOSE

The intent of this Standard Operating Procedure (SOP) is to provide guidelines for the McGill University scientific community performing cancer research involving rodents.

2. RESPONSIBILITY

Facility Animal Care Committees (FACC's), principal investigator (PI) and their research staff, veterinary care staff.

3. INTRODUCTION

3.1. For the purposes of this policy cancer studies have been divided into two (2) broad categories:

5.1.3. Detailed monitoring logs should be kept for tumor-bearing mice from the point a tumor is palpated until euthanasia. When possible, logs should be kept in the animal housing room. Logs should contain the following information:

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DESCRIPTION OF LESION	SCORE	PICTURE	INTERVENTION POINTS	MONITORING FREQUENCY
No lesion	0			
Redness at the site of the tumor, skin looks intact	1		No treatment required	Twice weekly
Superficial skin abrasions (scratches) at the site of the mass	2			