

	Ross Pasture - BIOSECURITY AND BIOCONTAINMENT	Effective:	18 September 2006
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Policy and Procedure document

1. Purpose

1.1 The purpose of these procedures is to reduce the likelihood that zoonotic or other infectious diseases will be passed from animals to people or to animals housed outside of the Ross pasture. A secondary objective is to introduce our students to good practice procedures in preparation for their clinical training in the USA.

2. Instruction

2.1 All personnel working in the pastures or barns or with animals housed in the Ross pasture will wear the following protective clothing:

2.1.1 Scrubs (not green), coveralls or lab coats (short term use).

2.1.2 Closed toed footwear.

2.1.3 Rubber boots, rubber overshoes or plastic footwear around cattle.

2.1.4 Rubber boots, rubber overshoes or plastic footwear when the presence of contagious disease is suspected.

3 The entry to the Ross pasture will be marked with a sign indicating the biosecurity level.

3.1 Biosecurity Level Routine – procedures:

3.1.1 Closed toed footwear required.

3.1.2 Rubber boots, rubber overshoes or plastic footwear around cattle.

3.1.3 Protective clothing.

3.1.4 Dirty footwear should be cleaned prior to exiting the facility.

3.2 Biosecurity Level Biohazard Threat – procedures

3.2.1 Closed toed footwear.

3.2.2 Rubber boots, rubber overshoes or plastic footwear.

3.2.3 Footwear to be cleaned and disinfected prior to exiting pasture.

3.2.4 Additional biocontainment procedures will be in place where the animals with suspected disease are isolated.