Animal Research Security Guidance for staff and students

For suspicious behavior, evidence of vandalism or suspicious packages, immediately notify the UCI Police (911 or 949-824-5223) or UCIMC Security (911 or 714-456-5493).

Refer inquiries about the animal program to Strategic Communications & Public Affairs (949-824-6922).

Suspicious Activity
If you observe protesters, vandals or other suspicious persons near the animal facilities or study areas, do not approach them or initiate conversation. Instead...

Call UCI Police or UCIMC Security immediately.

Confrontation
Do not divulge information about the species or location of animals or the type of research being done at UCI. Instead, tell enquirers that...

“I am not the right person to answer your questions, but I can take your name, phone number and affiliation, and I will have someone contact you.”

Call UCI Police or UCIMC Security immediately.

Phone Calls
If you receive a phone call regarding the animal program, be polite and professional. Gather the caller’s information (see the script under Confrontation) and reason for calling...

Call University Communications.

The Media
Do not run away from cameras. Do not say “No comment.” Be polite, calm and professional. Let reporters know that you are not the right person to talk to them (see the script under Confrontation)...

Call University Communications.