

<b>Section 400:</b>	<b>REVIEW OF RESEARCH</b>		
<b>Standard Operating Procedure (SOP):</b>	<b>400 FUNDING RELEASE PRIOR TO ETHICS REVIEW</b>		
<b>This SOP pertains to:</b>	Funded Research		
<b>Responsibility for executing this SOP:</b>	Director Research Ethics, REB Chairs, University Veterinarian, Research Services		
<b>Approval Authority</b>	The Vice-President Research		
<b>Effective Date:</b>	July 1, 2012	<b>Superseded documents dated:</b>	

<p><b>1. Funding Release Prior To Ethics Review ('In Principle' Approval)</b>  Where permitted by the terms of the funding agency, contract or grant and where start-up funds are requested to be released by the U of S Research Services Office so that the Investigator can begin preliminary work on a study (e.g. to develop a questionnaire, purchase equipment, hire staff, etc.), the Memorandum of Understanding with the Canadian Tri-Council Agencies allows for the Research Ethics Office to issue a limited 'in principle' approval, based on a Request For Funding Release Prior To Ethics Review.</p> <p>If this request is approved, it must be for a specified time and the amount of funding released must be justified and limited. In the case of research with human participants, the investigator must agree that with the exception of activities intended to discuss the feasibility of the research, establish research partnerships or design of the research project, no intervention or interaction with human participants in research including recruitment may begin until the REB has reviewed and approved the research ethics application.</p>	<p>Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) on the Roles and Responsibilities in the Management of Federal Grants and Awards.</p> <p>Schedule 2: Ethics review of Research Involving Humans</p>
<p>Funding Release Prior to Ethics Review may be authorized by the REB Chairs; the Director, Research Ethics; or the University Veterinarian as appropriate.</p>	