Marquette University IACUC Guidelines for Harm-Benefit Analysis

General Considerations:

- The OLAW Guide states, “the IACUC is obliged to weight the objectives of the study against potential animal welfare concerns.”

- AAALAC International expects that as part of the protocol review process the IACUC will:
  - Weigh the potential adverse effects of the study against the potential benefits that are likely to occur as a result of the research.
  - This analysis should be performed prior to final approval of the protocol and should be a primary consideration in the review process.
  - AAALAC International site visitors will assess whether the IACUC has conducted this analysis.

- The MU IACUC will conduct a harm-benefit analysis during protocol review as described above of all studies potentially involving unrelieved pain and/or distress.

References:
Guide for the Care and Use of Laboratory Animals
Eighth Edition
Pages 28

University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee
IACUC Guidelines for Harm-benefit Analysis at UWM