

Rodent Quarantine Charges

Rodents acquired from other universities or institutions may not have as comprehensive health histories and pathogen testing as we require from our approved vendors (Taconic, Charles River, Harlan Sprague Dawley). Such rodents pose a potential threat to our specific pathogen free (SPF) colonies and must therefore undergo a brief quarantine.

Screening tests will be performed before they may be housed in a rodent room. The rodents may be bred once during the quarantine, but will not be released for experimental use until test results are known. The fiscal year 2008-2009 charges for those tests are listed below. Two sentinel rodents will be tested from each quarantined group. In addition, each rodent or cage of rodents will be tested (tape and float) for pinworms, ectoparasites and, if desired, *Helicobacter*. The cost depends on the number of rodents acquired. Fecal float costs \$16.34 per cage and tape tests cost \$15.13 per 2 rodents. Fur pluck examinations cost \$16.34 each. *Helicobacter* PCR costs \$126.14 for each cage of mice. Rodents that will be housed in the DLAM managed foundation colony require a full necropsy examination of the sentinels (2 X \$163.01 X 2 = \$326.02) in addition to the tests mentioned below. Per diem charges are also not included here.

MICE

Sentinel blood collection (intracardiac)	7.35 X 2 =	14.70
Prepare sentinel blood (heat stbl, etc.)	7.96 X 2 =	15.92
16 agent viral serology screen	74.95 X 2 =	149.90
Tape test (1 composite)	15.13 X 1 =	15.13
Fecal flotation (1 composite)	16.34 X 1 =	16.34
Cecal exam	13.92 X 2 =	27.84
 Total charge.....		 \$239.83

RATS

Sentinel blood collection (intracardiac)	7.35 X 2 =	14.70
Prepare sentinel blood (heat stbl, etc.)	7.96 X 2 =	15.92
10 agent viral serology screen	49.25 X 2 =	98.50
Tape test (1 composite)	15.13 X 1 =	15.13
Fecal flotation (1 composite)	16.34 X 1 =	16.34
Cecal exam	13.92 X 2 =	27.84
 Total charge.....		 \$188.43