Obtaining Rodents from Outside Institutions and other Non-Approved Vendor Sources

Investigators should first contact their School’s assigned RARC Veterinarian and review RARC Transfers website.

To initiate your Import, submit online at https://ahw.wisc.edu/ select Create Import Request

After review by Research Animal Resources & Compliance (RARC) Veterinarian, imports may be approved into quarantine and/or rederivation.

Campus facilities designated as SPF Level 2 or 3 facilities may require quarantine of imported rodents prior to housing.

RARC RODENT QUARANTINE @ BRMS (Biomedical Research Model Services)
- RARC Veterinary staff will submit samples for testing
- Time in quarantine ~ 2-3 weeks
- BRMS husbandry in aseptic Innovive caging and fed irradiated diet

LAB IS RESPONSIBLE FOR ALL HOUSING PER DIEMS AND TESTING FEES
Testing fee = Approx. $130 to $175/panel (up to 12 rodents pooled/panel)

Quarantine location, policies and costs are college/facility dependent, if housing outside SMPH please contact your facility veterinarian for details.

If free of excluded pathogens, with Veterinary approval, rodents will be released to designated SPF Level 2 or 3 Facility

EXCLUDED PATHOGENS, if detected:
- Any costs related to required treatment, testing/re-testing and/or associated with rederivation are incurred by Primary Investigator (PI)
- Euthanasia may be required
- Depending on pathogen detected, final housing location may be changed to accommodate pathogen status (SPF Level 2 vs SPF Level 3)

For additional information:

RARC Transfers, Import/Export Specialist
transfers@ahw.wisc.edu

BRMS SPF Mouse Breeding Core & Research Services
https://brms.wisc.edu/breeding-core/

RARC Rodent Quarantine Coordinator
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Genome Editing and Animal Models (GEAM)
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