

TO: Animal Resource Customers

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RE: Per Diem Rates FY21-22 through FY25-26

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The 2021-2022 per diem rates listed below are unchanged from what we published last year. The planned annual per diem increase of 4% covers labor and consumable expenses. Cost Centers not recovering expenses will increase 6% per year. The Dean's office subsidizes Vivarium operations \$400,000 per year.

Rodent Water Bottle 2% SURCHARGE: Effective July 1, we will implement the two new charges first published last year to recover the additional labor expense for rooms of mice or rats where the research requires use of a water bottle. Cages with water bottles require at least weekly handling in contrast to the more standard HydroPac™ water delivery system that lasts for two weeks. NIH Rate Setting rules require we not subsidize one cost center with revenue from another. We will recover the additional labor required to use and replace water bottles with a 2% higher per cage per diem. This equates to an additional daily charge of \$0.013 per cage for mice and \$0.02 per cage of rats.

Please check this link for information on Vivarium Technical Service charges.

<https://www.urmc.rochester.edu/MediaLibraries/URMCMedia/animal-resource/documents/FY22-Published-Vivarium-Tech-Time-Rates.pdf>

For your budgeting purposes, all cost centers' per diems will increase as described below through 2026 unless we realize cost savings to pass on to you. Please contact me at jeff_wyatt@urmc.rochester.edu for more information about how we calculate charges and how we compare with our benchmark institutions.

Cost Center	FY21-22	FY22-23	FY23-24	FY24-25	FY25-26
Mouse MIT or STD Cage	\$.669	\$.696	\$.724	\$.753	\$.783
Mouse MIT or STD cage with water bottle	\$.682	\$.709	\$.737	\$.766	\$.797
Mouse Quarantine Cage	\$ 1.29	\$ 1.34	\$ 1.39	\$ 1.45	\$ 1.51
Rat MIT or STD Cage	\$ 1.18	\$ 1.25	\$ 1.33	\$ 1.41	\$ 1.49
Rat MIT or STD Cage with water bottle	\$ 1.20	\$ 1.27	\$ 1.35	\$ 1.43	\$ 1.52
OWP	\$28.48	\$29.62	\$30.80	\$32.03	\$33.31
Cat	\$13.59	\$14.13	\$14.70	\$15.29	\$15.90
Ferret	\$14.41	\$15.27	\$16.19	\$17.16	\$18.19
Rabbit	\$8.99	\$9.35	\$9.72	\$10.11	\$10.51
Gerbil Cage	\$2.36	\$2.50	\$2.65	\$2.81	\$2.98
Chicken Pen/Cage	\$9.52	\$10.09	\$10.69	\$11.33	\$12.01
Sheep/Pig Pen	\$53.39	\$56.59	\$59.98	\$63.58	\$67.39
Mouse Contract	\$1.95	\$2.14	\$2.35	\$2.58	\$2.84
Mouse Non UofR	\$5.54	\$6.09	\$6.70	\$7.37	\$8.11
Rat Non UofR	\$8.97	\$9.87	\$10.86	\$11.95	\$13.14
Zebrafish Tank	\$.36	\$.38	\$.40	\$.42	\$.44

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