



FY2018 Lab Animal Care Unit (LACU) Services and Fees

Prices will increase by 3% each fiscal year.

The pricing structure listed below is effective as of July 1, 2017. For all custom projects, please consult the LACU Core Director for a quote.

Mouse Per Diem, standard box (75 in²):

Standard microisolator box*:	\$0.85/box/day
IVC box**:	\$0.85/box/day
IVC box + water bottle:	\$0.95/box/day
Sterile microisolator care***:	\$1.39/box/day
Biocontainment (ABSL2)****:	\$1.08/box/day
Sterile microisolator care, ABSL2:	\$1.67/box/day

Mouse Per Diem, large box (144 in²):

Standard microisolator box*:	\$1.38/box/day
IVC box**:	\$1.38/box/day
IVC box + water bottle:	\$1.48/box/day
Biocontainment (ABSL2)****:	\$1.65/box/day

Mouse Metabolism Box Per Diem: \$1.25/box/day

Diabetic Mouse Per Diem, standard box (75 in²):

Standard microisolator box*:	\$1.03/box/day
IVC box**:	\$1.03/box/day
IVC box + water bottle:	\$1.13/box/day
Sterile microisolator care***:	\$1.67/box/day
Biocontainment (ABSL2)****:	\$1.30/box/day
Sterile microisolator care, ABSL2:	\$2.00/box/day

Diabetic Mouse Per Diem, large box (144 in²):

Standard microisolator box*:	\$1.66/box/day
IVC box**:	\$1.66/box/day
Biocontainment (ABSL2)****:	\$1.99/box/day

Rat Per Diem:

Standard box*:	\$1.38/box/day
IVC box**:	\$1.38/box/day
IVC box + water bottle:	\$1.48/box/day
Sterile microisolator care ***:	\$1.83/box/day
Biocontainment (ABSL2) ****:	\$1.66/box/day

Rat Metabolism Box Per Diem: \$2.07/box/day

Diabetic Rat Per Diem:

Standard box*:	\$1.66/box/day
IVC box**:	\$1.66/box/day
IVC box + water bottle:	\$1.76/box/day
Sterile microisolator care***:	\$2.20/box/day
Biocontainment (ABSL2)****:	\$1.99/box/day

Rodent care descriptions:

* Standard box refers to standard charges for husbandry practices for a given facility or room, which includes autoclaved caging, standard diet, standard bedding, non-autoclaved water bottle.

** IVC box refers to a box placed on a ventilated rack system with an automatic watering system. The per diem rate includes autoclaved caging, standard diet, standard bedding and automatic water.

*** Sterile microisolator care is provided at the request of the PI. The box is fully assembled (lid, grill, bottom, standard bedding) prior to autoclaving as a unit.

**** ABSL2 is required for animals inoculated with human-derived materials (cells, tissue fragments, etc.), or for animals exposed to viral particles or other biosafety hazards deemed to require ABSL2 care.

Standard bedding:

Mice: Shepherd's Cob + Plus
Rats: Shepherd's Cob + Plus

Standard Feed:

Mice: Envigo 7912 or 7904 (breeder diet)
Rats: Envigo 8640 or 7912

To request the use of non-standard bedding/feed, or special handling (e.g. autoclaving) of feed/bedding, please complete a [LACU Resource Request Form](#) and submit to the LACU Director of Operations, Stan Latocha (slatocha@uthsc.edu), as the above per diem rates will require adjustment.

Rabbits:

<2 kg:	\$1.84/animal/day
2-5.4 kg:	\$1.99/animal/day
>5.4 kg:	\$2.09/animal/day

Swine:

Neonate:	\$8.16/animal/day
< 25 lbs.:	\$8.89/animal/day
25-75 lbs.:	\$9.59/animal/day
> 75 lbs.:	\$10.29/animal/day

Primates:

Baboon:	\$10.18/animal/day
Rhesus:	\$8.05/animal/day

For other species (hamsters, guinea pigs, gerbils, quail, chickens etc.), please consult with LACU Director

Veterinary and Technician Services:

Veterinary services (M-F, 8am-5pm) :	\$77.25/hr.
Veterinary services, after-hours/weekends and holidays:	\$115.88/hr., <i>2h minimum</i>
Technician services (M-F, 8am-5pm):	\$38.63/hr.
Technician services, after-hours/weekends and holidays:	\$57.94/hr., <i>2h minimum</i>

Other services:

Rodent ultrasound:	\$82.40/hr.
Rodent anesthesia:	\$41.20/day
Surgery room, with sterile surgery pack:	\$103.00/use
Surgery room, with no surgery pack:	\$51.50/use
Gas sterilization:	\$30.90
Steam sterilization:	\$30.90
Radiography:	\$30.90/hr.
Cleaning charge:	\$46.35

Custom projects or services: Please consult the LACU Director

Purchasing surcharges:

Animal order late fee (after 5pm Tuesday):	\$51.50
Ordering fee, non-approved vendors:	\$51.50
Drug and other supply orders*:	15% above cost



The LACU no longer routinely orders drugs and supplies for research needs. All investigators are encouraged to obtain the necessary licenses to order drugs and supplies from medical distributors

Transportation services surcharges:

Airport Pickup/Order	\$61.80
Feed & Bedding Delivery/Trip	\$61.80
Special Animal Transport/Trip	\$61.80

External users rate surcharge, per service: 30%

Projected per diem and services charges, FY19 - beyond: 3% annually over prior FY basis